



The Tree of Authenticity

Original title: L'Arbre de l'Authenticité

Located on the banks of the Congo River, the Yangambi INERA Research Station was a booming scientific centre in its heyday. Today, it is an amalgam of jungle and ruin, where questions of knowledge, power over it, and access to it, linger. *The Tree of Authenticity* recounts the ecological destruction that began at the time of colonisation through the voices of Paul Panda Farnana and Abiron Beirnaert, two scientists who worked at Yangambi between 1910 and 1950. Their stories embody the legacies of colonial modernity and trace the origins of today's environmental injustice.

CREDITS

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TECHNICAL SPECS

RUNNING TIME: 88' 50"
AVAILABLE IN: 2D
ASPECT RATIO: 16:9
SOUND FORMAT: 5.1 (+sub)
RELEASE FORMAT: Apple ProRes 444; DCP (2K)
COLOUR: Colour

CREATION DETAILS

TYPE: Film
PRODUCTION SHARE: Majority Flemish Production
GENRE: Experimental
YEAR OF PRODUCTION: 2025
PRODUCTION STATUS: Completed
ORIGINAL TITLE: L'Arbre de l'Authenticité
ORIGINAL LANGUAGE: French, Dutch

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