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## **A Complete Screening of The Roads to Freedom At BFI Southbank on 12 – 13 May 2012**



**BFI Southbank** is delighted to present a very rare and complete screening of James Cellan Jones' **The Roads to Freedom** (BBC 1970). This remarkable 13-part series was brilliantly adapted from the novels of **Jean-Paul Sartre** by **David Turner** who managed to capture the subtle psychological and philosophical twists in the life of Mathieu (Michael Bryant) and his shifting feelings of commitment and alienation as Europe is plunged in to

the chaos of war.

Nominated for four **BAFTAs** (Best Writer, Best Production, Best Actor, Best Actress), the series remains one of the crowning achievements of British television drama and is being shown following the immense public interest generated by the screening of episodes 7,8 and 9 during a season dedicated to the director **James Cellan Jones** last year

### **The Roads to Freedom**

BBC 1970. DIR James Cellan Jones. With Michael Bryant, Daniel Massey, Georgia Brown, Rosemary Leach, Anthony Higgins. 13 x 45min

#### **Parts 1-3: The Age of Reason**

Sat 12 May 15:00 NFT2

#### **Parts 4-6: The Age of Reason**

Sat 12 May 17:50 NFT2

#### **Parts 7-9: The Reprieve**

Sun 13 May 15:15 NFT2

#### **Parts 10-11: The Defeated**

Sun 13 May 18:20 NFT2

#### **Parts 12-13: The Defeated**

Sun 13 May 20:40 NFT2

Tickets £5 (no concs) per screening; joint ticket available for all screenings £21.20, concs £13.75 (Members pay £1.50 less)

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- Championing emerging and world class film makers in the UK
- Investing in creative, distinctive and entertaining work
- Promoting British film and talent to the world
- Growing the next generation of film makers and audiences

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