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A New Digital Restoration

DEEP END

Directed by Jerzy Skolimowski

Starring Jane Asher, John Moulder-Brown and Diana Dors

UK - West Germany 1970 |88 mins | Cert 15

A BFI release

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Release date: 6 May 2011

Opening venues: BFI Southbank, Irish Film Institute Dublin plus selected venues nationwide

On 6 May, the BFI releases one of Jerzy Skolimowski's finest films, the delightfully eccentric **Deep End**, starring Jane Asher, John Moulder-Brown and Diana Dors, with a soundtrack by Cat Stevens and Can. Unavailable for many years, **Deep End** has developed a cult classic reputation as one of the greatest overlooked films of the 1970s.

The Swinging Sixties are over and the long, grey morning after has only just begun, but there are still eye-opening new experiences in store for wet-behind-the-ears teenager Mike (John Moulder-Brown) when he takes a job at a rundown swimming baths. After one of its more mature visitors steamily attempts to take advantage (Diana Dors, in a superb cameo), Mike gradually develops an increasingly obsessive interest in sassy, spoken-for co-worker Susan (a seductive Jane Asher). Giddily he follows her into the grimy underbelly of Soho for a long dark night of the soul - soundtracked with great intensity by legendary Krautrock band Can. Will Mike sabotage Susan's relationship with her fiancé and get together with her instead?

Jerzy Skolimowski's original, off-beat portrait of London life in an era of uncertainty and changing sexual mores makes a long overdue return to the screen in a beautiful new digital restoration.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Deep End plays at selected cinemas nationwide from 6 May. A special BFI Flipside preview will take place at the BFI Southbank on 4 May, attended by Jane Asher and John Moulder-Brown for a Q&A after the screening.

Deep End will be released in a Dual Format Edition (DVD and Blu-ray discs in one box) in the BFI Flipside strand on 18 July.

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