# Walk on the Wild Side

Feature documentary film – 57 min.



## Synopsis

Germaine McCormack-Kós, an artist and freelance filmmaker, has lived an amazing life – her first real job was working in the film industry in London, later she became a painter and moved to Paris. Eight years ago, her life was turned upside down when diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. She decided to take a "walk on the wild side" and fight for her life.

After having met by chance the great French Pioneer of Immunotherapy, Dr. Georges Mathé, who performed the world's first bone marrow transplant, she discovered he worked with three American Pioneers of cancer research. Germaine tracks down these geniuses who developed the first cures against cancer: Dr. Emil Frei, Dr. Emil Freirich, and Dr. James Holland. They relate their astonishing testimonies and eureka moments, such as developing combination chemotherapy, which led to the first life-saving treatments for cancer.

Interwoven is Germaine's personal story - two years of determination against all odds to stay alive. With love and support from her dedicated team of doctors, family and friends (her A-Team), and her unbridled optimism, Germaine prevailed. She wants to inspire others to follow the protocols, to be unafraid and proactive. Knowledge is power and she wants to share what she has learned in her own battle, and in filming these 'unsung heroes.'

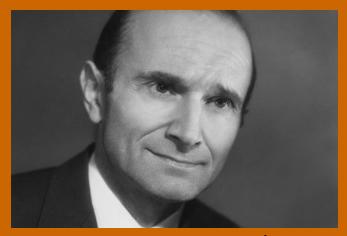
## Scientific Pioneers

Dr. Emil Freirich, Dr. Emil Frei, Dr. James Holland



Dr. Franco Muggia, Germaine & Dr. James Holland





Dr. Georges Mathé



Germaine with Dr. Gerard Lesbats

#### Bio

#### Germaine McCormack-Kós

Germaine McCormack-Kós' love for the arts has propelled her to spend most of her life creating in film, music, art, and children's opera around the world.

Her film career started way back when London was still swinging, working in script development for Hollywood producer Sam Spiegel at Horizon Pictures, and collaborating with Laslo Benedek ("The Wild One") on film projects. She then worked for producer Peter Watkins ("The War Game"), and directors Robert Young ("Jane Eyre"), and Ken Annakin ("Battle of the Bulge"). She was the Executive Producer of "Black Water" for Prodigy Movies, and also made short documentaries, including "Why This War."

She founded Dublin Children's Opera, the first children's opera company in Dublin, and produced two original operas. Renowned composer George Fenton ("Gandhi," "Dangerous Liaisons") composed one of these operas and is the composer for her documentary. In the mid 90's, she was on the team that launched Women In Film in Cannes.

When not working on film or opera projects, she is painting, mostly in oils. She has represented Ireland at International Art Exhibitions, and won several awards with steel sculptures.

Germaine has co-produced documentaries and has directed and produced WALK ON THE WILD SIDE, a feature documentary that is now available on Amazon Prime – US/UK/France. A world traveler, she currently lives in France.



Germaine in London



Germaine worked for film producer Sam Spiegel.



Germaine painting in her studio

#### With daughter Nico





With son Kristian



"The Three Graces" by Germaine

With film executive Peter Watson, after being diagnosed that day



With her sister Vonnie, 2 months after chemo started





Dr. Lesbats & his team celebrating Germaine's first year of treatment



With Katia Medioni, during filming of the documentary



Composer George Fenton
www.georgefentonmusic.com/biography





Germaine in Paris

### The WOW Team

- DIRECTOR & PRODUCER: Germaine McCormack-Kós
- EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS Christopher Wheeldon & Kristian Kós
- ASSOCIATE PRODUCERS: George Fenton & Mark Fletcher
- MUSIC SCORE: George Fenton
- EDITOR: Mark Fletcher



"Cu Chulainn" by Germaine McCormack-Kós

#### Film Festival Awards



Off de Cannes 2018
Winner of the International
Grand Prize for Documentaries







### Links

Trailer: <a href="http://youtu.be/u6rrQ0CJJUM">http://youtu.be/u6rrQ0CJJUM</a>

**Twitter:** 

https://twitter.com/WildSideFilm





Untitled painting by Germaine

https://www.facebook.com/walkonthewildsidedocumentary/

#### **Instagram:**

https://www.instagram.com/germainekos/

Available on Amazon Prime – US/UK/France:

https://lnkd.in/gDN8hrH



"Yellow Dress" by Germaine

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