

TITLE: FREI OTTO: SPANNING THE FUTURE, 61'

DIRECTOR: Joshua V. Hassel

WRITER: Michael Paglia

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FEATURING: Zaha Hadid Founder, Zaha Hadid Architects; Patrik Schumacher Director, Zaha Hadid Architects; Jürgen Henniske Professor Emeritus, ILEK University of Stuttgart; G. Goetz Schierle Professor, School of Architecture University of Southern California; Robert Roithmayr Founder, Tensile Evolution & Formfinder Software; Gail Peter Borden Discipline Head, School of Architecture University of Southern California; Qingyun Ma Dean, School of Architecture University of Southern California; Stefan Behnisch Founder, Behnisch Architekten; Greg Otto Managing Director, Walter P. Moore

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MUSIC: by Karam Salem

OVERVIEW: Frei Otto: Spanning the Future is about the life and works of Frei Otto, told in his own words and by those he inspired. Frei Otto's understanding of architecture's fundamental relationship to natural forces is the foundation of today's architecture. As technology advances, his methods are now becoming more widely adopted, as are his broader philosophical concepts about solving the world's most pressing issues.

Featuring Zaha Hadid and Frei Otto in one of the last interviews given before his passing, this film takes architecture fans on a journey through a history of architecture that inspires the world of tomorrow.

DIRECTOR: Joshua V. Hassel is a Producer and Director with Colorado Public Television known for his enduring profiles of artists, art and architecture. His films include Sandzén: Ecstasy of Color, Kirkland Museum, Radical Geometry: The New Denver Art Museum, Allen True's West, REX RAY: How to Make a Rex Ray, and Edgar Payne: The Scenic Journey. Joshua collaborates with scholars, historians, and curators to produce educational, entertaining and award winning documentaries.

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