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Genre: Horror/Ghost Story

Synopsis:

Step Back: A film about life or death. This film is based on both a supernatural element and an actual scientific principle: the many worlds interpretation in quantum mechanics. These themes provide the basis for the story centred around the outcomes of the key decision to be made by the main character, and the direct effect of this decision. This film was shot on location near York, England.

Background Information:

The film was largely shot in one afternoon near York (England) with a Canon 550d DSLR and the Røde Videomic Pro as our only equipment. A small amount of additional video shooting and audio recording took place in Northumberland a few weeks later again using the Videomic pro, but with the addition of a Canon 700d. The project was entirely created by just the two of us (Jem Freiesleben and Crispin Agar) and was edited on my new 2013 Mac Pro in Final Cut Pro X and Motion 5, the latter being used extensively for effects such as titles, compositing footage, and stabilisation throughout (to compensate for the lack of tripod for the scenes shot near York!). As with all our productions there was a short script and storyboard, but it evolved in the creation process, for example we filmed multiple trains for the introduction, which we then found very effective for splitting the narrative in the story - so more made it to the final cut than originally planned. The hardest scene in the film to actually shoot was the car crash sequence - we had to align the collision (filmed in reverse) with a passing train on the main line to York in the background. As the car was moving a lot slower than the train, and the train only remained in shot for a few seconds, as you can imagine it was very hard to set up!

Links:

Voting Link (My Røde Reel): <http://www.rodemic.com/myrodereel/watch/314>

Website: www.hawkvalley.co.uk

Youtube: www.youtube.com/user/hawkvalleyproduction

Twitter: twiter.com/HawkValleyFilm

Vimeo: vimeo.com/hawkvalleyproductions

Locations:

University of York Campus:

Halifax College

Vanbrugh College

James College

Off Campus:

Railway Line, Nr. York

Ninebanks, Northumberland

Technical Details:

Video: Canon 700d with 18 - 55mm STM lens

 Canon 550d with 55mm lens

Audio Recording: Røde Videomic Pro

Video Editing: Final Cut Pro X 10.1.1

 Motion 5.0.1

Audio Editing: Audacity 2.0.5

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