BORDER PATROL a documentary exploration

a documentary exploration of the US/MX border using Google Maps



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a film by Gaëlle Cintré produced by Gaëlle Cintré

title	Border Patrol
genre	documentary
language	none
subtitles	none
total running time	8 minutes
shooting format	HD video
screening format	ProRes 422
image	16/9 color
sound	mute
country of production	USA
year of completion	2010
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synopsis

The Google Car, whose purpose is to systematically take pictures of road landscapes, can sometimes find itself in disconcerting situations. For instance, in Mexico, it follows the 'Wall of Shame' the USA are building at the border. In this specific context, the device and system Google sets up are very similar to the ones used by the American Migra: the Border Patrol cars are also topped by cameras. The Google Car, with its military origins, is simply unable to take pictures in an ideal and neutral documentary way. The aesthetics of its images is one of surveillance, intrusion and suspicion, that often reveals a latent violence.

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SCREENINGS

- À nous de voir Festival 2013 invited by Bidhan Jacobs, Oullins [FR]
- 2011 Black Box Veduta, 11th Lyon Biennale [FR] Flare #17 Screening Montpellier [FR]

2010 pointligneplan Screening programmed by Pascal Beausse, La Fémis, Paris [FR] **Christmas Exhibition** Le Magasin, Grenoble [FR] **Doc en courts Festival** Lyon [FR] Septembre de la photographie Biennale Lvon [FR] Extra 10 Festival Annecy [FR]

ABOUT THE FILMMAKER

- biography Photography in Geneva. documentary and film projects at the moment.
- A FEEL OF THE DESERT filmography super 8 film | 4/3 | color | silent | 8 minutes | 2015 | USA **ZONE BLANCHE** [White Zone]

super 16 film | 16/9 | color | sound | 22 minutes | 2014 | France **ALORS, ON VA VOIR QUOI ?** [So, what are we watching?] HD video | 16/9 | color | sound | 9 minutes | 2012 | France **MALADRESSES ET EMBARRAS** [Faux-Pas and Embarrassement] HD video | 16/9 | color | sound | 19 minutes | 2011 | France **LE VEILLEUR** [The Night Watchman] HD video | 16/9 | color | sound | 8 minutes | 2011 | France **LES CRAMPES** [The Cramps] SD video | 4/3 | color | sound | 7 minutes | 2011 | France **BORDER PATROL** HD video | 16/9 | color | silent | 8 minutes | 2010 | USA PICK-UP

HD video | 16/9 | color | silent | 20 minutes | 2010 | USA

Gaëlle Cintré is a French artist and filmmaker. She was awarded her Master's degree for a dissertation on the effect digital technologies on cinema narratives, while her PhD from the European School of Visual Arts focused on the role of Hollywood blockbuster narratives in relation to California's 'seismic climate.' She has lectured on cinema and filmmaking at the National Institute of Art History in Paris, the National School of Fine Arts of Paris and the European School of Visual Arts. Her work has been shown across Europe, including at the Lyon Biennale, David Lynch's Silencio in Paris, the 8 rue Saint-Bon Gallery in Paris, Middlemarch Gallery in Brussels, the Kunstverein Sparkasse in Leipzig, Germany, and the Center of

Her latest documentary, **ZONE BLANCHE** has screened at many international festivals, including at the International Environmental Film Festival in Paris, Mojito Kino in Berlin, DOC NYC in Manhattan, the Chicago Underground Film Festival, and the Trento Film Festival in Italy. ZONE BLANCHE won the Pézieux Prize in France and the Jury's Artistic Vision Award at the Big Sky Documentary Film Festival. Gaëlle currently splits her time between France and the US. She's developing several









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