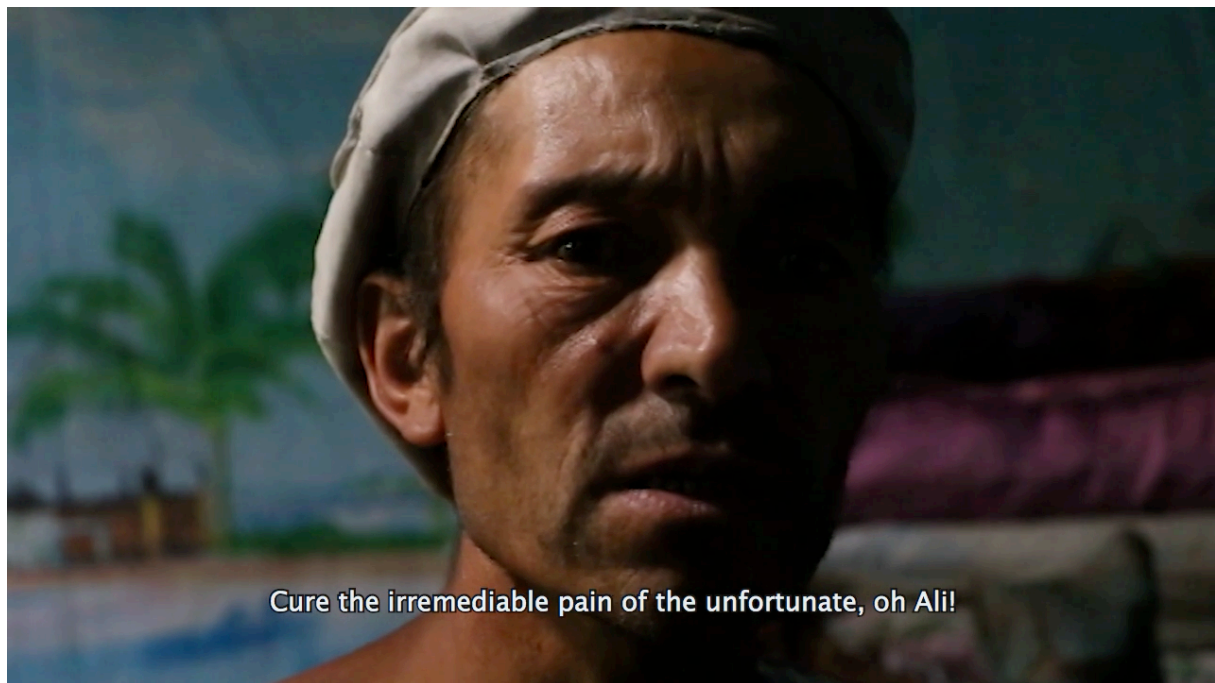


Two Poets and a River

Film screening and discussion with Prof. Richard K. Wolf
(Harvard University)

06.06.2019 – 18:00 Uhr

This work-in-progress by ethnomusicologist Richard Wolf is based on ethnographic research (2012-2018) with two influential poet-singers who live in the Wakhan valley on opposite sides of the Panj (Oxus) river in Tajikistan and Afghanistan. Inheritors of a cultural and economic divide brought about by a border negotiated between British India and Czarist Russia in the 19th century, the two musicians nevertheless share a common language and faith. The film traces the two individuals' contemplations on separation, family, and environment, as well as their imaginations concerning what lies on the other side of the border.



(Two Poets and a River - film still)

Tajik, Dari and Wakhi with English subtitles
Runtime 53 minutes (work in progress)

Richard Wolf is a professor of Music and South Asian Studies at Harvard University who conducts ethnomusicological field research on the musical traditions, languages and cultures of South, Central and West Asia.

Venue

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