

Out of this World/USA/Year?/79 min./ English/ Non-fiction/Digital

Director: David Wright



Synopsis

As the dust was still settling after WWII and the Cold War divided the world, the mysterious and impenetrable mountain kingdom of Tibet sent out a plea to help stop the communist forces of China from invading their country. They chose the most well-known newsman of his day to document their plight, hoping to garner international support to protect their borders from the Red Army. Lowell Thomas, along with his son, became only the seventh and eighth Westerners invited to walk through the Western Gate of Lhasa. Meeting the 15-year-old Dalai Lama was an adventure of a lifetime for them, and the start of a relationship between His Holiness and the Thomas family that has now spanned three generations.

Out of this World is a digitised and re-released version of an original film print from the 1950's by Lowell Thomas, which will include new scenes and information, as well as photographs from the original trip and those from our 2016 expedition.

Director's Bio

Filmmaker and Photographer David Wright has worked in over 60 countries for clients including National Geographic, Discovery, Curiosity Stream and the BBC. Stories covered include wildlife, history, human interest and travel.

David works both as a cinematographer and producer on film projects.

