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## Synopsis

In October 2015, dozens of small suitcases were accidentally discovered behind a wall of a central hospital in Athens. They contained the personal belongings of hundreds of patients who had died of tuberculosis in the hospital between the 1940s and 1970s. Until then, no one had looked for them or claimed their remains.

Through letters between patients and their relatives, archival material, the journey to find the descendants of the dead and meetings with doctors and nurses today, the documentary uncovers a story of grief and trauma but also of love, hope and resilience throughout post-war Greece.

The documentary illustrates the truth of impoverished Greece and the social stigma surrounding tuberculosis 80 years later, bringing to life the “outcasts” through their belongings and “secret” correspondences.

“They were buried anonymously in mass graves. They have no names. Nobody claimed their belongings. It is as if they never existed and suddenly they appeared. It was totally by chance that they were discovered and totally by chance that they were saved,” says Marianna Economou.

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