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## Still

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4 minutes, 47 seconds

Speakers: Shahrokh Yadegari , Mary Glen Fredrick, Fiona Digney

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[IDEAS Performance Series](#)

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Time	Transcription
0:05	[IDEAS / INITIATIVE FOR DIGITAL EXPLORATION OF ARTS + SCIENCES]
0:09	Speaker 1: Am I okay?
0:14	Speaker 2: You okay?
0:17	Speaker 1: How would I know if I was okay?
0:22	Speaker 2: Have you ever vomited?
0:25	Speaker 1: Yes.
0:27	Speaker 2: How did it feel right before you vomited?
0:30	Speaker 1: Like I might be in trouble.
0:33	[STIL]
0:36	Shahrokh Yadegari: I feel like I'm getting older, so it seems like I'm okay. But, you know, it's befitting to see -- I always thought--structurally thought that the ultimate solution to form is music. And it's just amazing to see that in your work.
0:36	[Shahrokh Yadegar* / IDEAS Director]
0:52	[More excerpts from Still]
0:56	[Man plays trumpet]
1:19	[Still features two performers in scenes that address themes of anxiety, transition and truth - while blurring the line between fiction and fact.]
1:24	[Still is an experiment in musical cinema.]
1:29	[Incorporating fiction, documentary scenes of rural Illinois and file footage, it constantly shifts the perspective* of the audience as it surrounds them with multi-channel audio.]
1:30	Speaker 3: I also want you to look around and see if there's any things around here you'd really like to have.
1:35	Speaker 4: We're in De Land, Illinois, which is about 150 miles south of Chicago, or that far from St. Louis up this way.
1:45	Speaker 3: I was hoping I'd have Ashley here too. Gotta get rid of the junk somehow.

- 1:55 Speaker 1: I'd go. I'd go immediately, I'd have to go immediately. When it seemed still. Up into [crosstalk] the mountains. I wasn't the only one, I guess.
- 2:06 Unidentified voice: Still.
- 2:14 Speaker 5 [singing/screaming]: He told me! [Unclear] tonight, take place. Which [unclear].
- 2:47 Newscaster: And coming up new at 6:30, hear what Fluorine said to Ed just before she passed away.
- 2:52 Speaker 1: I felt like I was falling yesterday. Falling backwards. It's this, these moments, could go either way.
- 3:11 Speaker 6: We go to those assisted livings, they'll take care of -- take care of my medicine, just bring them to me and I take them. Which after many -- really taking a lot of pills for I don't know how many years now, a lot. I'm 80 and -- well I started -- I just -- well the blood pressure, I take five blood pressure pills.
- 3:37 [Sound of car motor begins and gets louder]
- 3:45 Unidentified Voice: Still, still, still.
- 3:50 [Newscasters speaking Chinese]
- 4:00 [Hand-breaded spicy chicken tenders]
- 4:02 [Stop]
- 4:04 [Drop]
- 4:06 [And]
- 4:09 Speaker 5 [singing/screaming]: Fifi let me in. Don't mess me up! No one is happy there! No one! Fifi. I'm done.
- 4:29 [Music plays, people dance]
- 4:36 [STIL]
- 4:38 [STIL]
- 4:42 [Fiona Digney / Mary Glen Frederick / Kyle Johnson / Neil Madden / Sally Madden / Yeung Ping Chen / Janet Fiki / Ashley Hudson-Hines / Sherri Johnson / Steven Leffue]

\*Spelled as written.