

Breathe In, Breathe Out

(Shinkokyu no Hitsuyo) 深呼吸の必要

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Production Companies: NIPPON HERALD FILMS/ SHOCHIKU/ DENTSU/
BANDAI VISUAL/ ENGINE NETWORK/ IMAGICA/ TOKYO FM/ DESTINY/
NIPPON BROADCASTING SYSTEM

Producers: Kotaki Shohei/ Okada Yoshikazu

Director: Shinohara Tetsuo

Screenplay: Hasegawa Yasuo

Music: Kobayashi Takeshi

With: Karina as Tashibana Hinami/ Tanihara Shosuke as Ikanaga Shuichi/
Nagasawa Masami as Doi Kanako

Seeking a fresh start in life, Hinami (Karina) applies for a part-time job cutting sugarcane on a plantation in Okinawa belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Taira (Kitamura Saburo and Yoshida Taeko). She soon finds herself working with four other young men and women on a remote island under the supervision of the experienced Yutaka (Omori Nao). Their task is to harvest all 70,000 sugar cane plants by the end of March, but the demanding physical labor and Yuyaka's leadership soon cause problems. Despite the help of the Taira's former neighbor, doubts arise as to the ability of the conflict-ridden group to make the deadline, and hope seems lost completely when Yutaka is involved in a car accident. An ensemble youth drama set in the picturesque Okinawan archipelago from director Shinohara Tetsuo (*Inochi, KARAOKE TERROR*).