



Ama

Breath of a Woman

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A sensitive portrait of a woman in 1960s Japan.

Japan, late 1960s. Nagisa, a young woman from Tokyo with polite and modest manners, lands with her belongings on Hegura, a small, remote island of fishermen. There, she is adopted by Isoe, the leader of the community of “Ama” women who rule the island. The Ama—strong, harsh, and wild “women of the sea”—dive naked into the depths in search of pearls... *Ama* is a fascinating exploration of the relationship between the female body in its natural nakedness and in a corseted, patriarchal society.

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