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Privilege, Yvonne Rainer's sixth feature, is a genuinely subversive movie about menopause. Out of a subject that has been virtually invisible on film, Rainer has fashioned a witty, risky work about sexual identity and the unequal economies of race, gender and class. **Privilege** is set in motion by clips from an old black & white educational film, facts and data shot off a Macintosh computer, and a cast of characters with varied, provocative and often contrasting political critiques. Jenny, the white, middle-aged protagonist, agrees to be interviewed by Yvonne, an African-American friend who is making a documentary on menopause. Her candid observations are punctuated by a "hot flash-back" of *Rashomon*-like intensity which reveals an experience she has kept secret for 25 years. Rainer's voice - logical, intelligent and intense - and her wicked wit have jolted audiences out of their complacency throughout her illustrious career. With **Privilege**, she has made a film which is illuminating and entertaining, and surely her finest to date.

"(Rainer's) most accessible film...Who else could spin hot flashes, Lenny Bruce, Carmen Miranda and *Soul on Ice* into such a pungent brew?" - **The Village Voice**

"Fascinating and unpredictable...**Privilege** is a ride worth taking." - **The Boston Globe**

Directed by
Yvonne Rainer

USA, 1990
103 minutes
Color and B&W
16mm

1990 New York Film Festival

Filmmakers Trophy
1991 Sundance Film Festival

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Yvonne Rainer is available for speaking engagements

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CREDITS

CAST

Jenny.....ALICE SPIVAK
Yvonne Washington.....NOVELLA NELSON
Brenda.....BLAIRE BARON
Carlos.....RICO ELIAS
Digna.....GABRIELLA FARRAR
Stew.....TYRONE WILSON
Robert.....DAN BERKEY
Signer.....CLAUDIA GREGORY
"Helen Caldicott".....YVONNE RAINER
White Man in Brenda's apt.....MARK NIEBUHR
Jenny's Double.....MINNETTE LEHMANN

INTERVIEWEES (in order of appearance)

FAITH RINGGOLD
SHIRLEY TRIEST
HELENE MOGLEN
MINNETTE LEHMANN
CATHERINE ENGLISH ROBINSON
EVELYN CUNNINGHAM
GLORIA SPARROW
AUDREY GOODFRIEND
VIVIAN BONNANO

Director, Writer, Editor.....YVONNE RAINER
Director of Photography.....MARK DANIELS
Assistant Director.....CHRISTINE LE GOFF
Production Manager.....KATHRYN COLBERT
Art Directors.....ANNE STUHLER
MICHAEL SELDITCH
Sound Recordist.....ANTONIO ARROYO
Second Assistant Director.....ROBIN GUARINO
Costume Designer.....ALEXANDRA WELKER

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