

Hooked...Get It On (Line)

(DVD, Eclectic DVD / Babalu Pictures)

Hooked...Get It On (Line) is a documentary created by director **Todd Ahlberg**. The film covers a topic which has rarely been dealt with in the media...homosexuals and their addiction to pornography via the internet. Whether straight or homosexual, men of all types have always been drawn in by pornography. This is nothing new. But now the lure of an easy fix is more tempting than ever because of the sheer amount of pornography...and potential encounters...made available because of the interconnectivity of home computers. This documentary has no narration...only the words of the addicts themselves as they give braggish examples of their frequent and varied sexual encounters. The word "game" is used frequently. The individuals interviewed seem to be lacking in self-confidence. Most admit that their encounters are a short term solution to the real problem...loneliness. Ahlberg does a good job of presenting homosexuals as most of them really are...isolated, addicted to sex, and very alienated from the world. With all those godawful pride parades and marches, some people think that the homosexual community is full of carefree, happy-go-lucky individuals. But nothing could be further from the truth. Sad and perplexing, *Hooked...Get It On (Line)* is an intriguing reminder of how superficial and phony real people can be. (Rating: 4++++)



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