ONCE UPON A RANDOM TIME

Short introduction, exposition

The intention of this disertation is the observation, contextualization and critical approach of open narrtive structures in the accidental movie "Got me".

With the asignment of our subject we exclude multimedia art and computer games. We also explain the use of the term "open structure" in relation with other terms, such as "non-linear", "muti-linear" and "metalinear" referring to the definitions given by Umberto Eco in his book "Opera aperta".

We have seen open works, and other closed works which pointed out the opennes of narratives, which have offered alternative endings or alternatives concerning the outcoming of events. All of these mention have pointed out their peculiar position concerning the opennes of the narration.

We explain the narrative structure of the experimental film "Got me" alluding to the technical solutions, and reflecting on the films reception. We emphasize the paradoxon between the artistical intention and it's realisation. We also review those efforts which were trying to solve those problems which come out of the aforementioned paradoxon.

We offer an insight to the polemia concerning the interactive narration, quoting theorists who put emphasis on the reception aspect and the narraive authority. We emphasise the peculiar importance of the closure in relation to these theoretical questions and in the end we affirm that the narrow limits of multilinear narration can be stepped over using the outcomes of multimedia arts and computer games.

The enclosed documentation contains the accidental film "Got me" on a CD-ROM.