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Joy for the die-hard fans of punk

JOY DIVISION
Madman Cinema
93 mins (M)



IN the wake of Anton Corbijn's Control comes yet another film about the rise and fall of UK punk band Joy Division.

Alas, there's nothing innovative about the look and feel of this old-style documentary

shot and directed by Grant Gee (Meeting People Is Easy).

The film traces Joy Division's path to fame, which came as a surprise to everyone, including the band members, who admit to having had little musical ability when they formed the group.

There is no doubt that there is still a lot of interest in the seminal punk band, and the

fact that following the suicide of their lead singer, Ian Curtis, the remaining band members found success with New Order only adds to the fascination.

However, despite the insights, the documentary delivers and some rare footage, this is a film that only die-hard fans will truly enjoy.

Joy Division opens next week