



LIFE STORIES

*V*ancouver's **DOXA** Documentary Film Festival (May 6 to 15, doxafestival.ca) offers a glimpse into the lives of everyday people who have encountered the unexpected. In last year's *Disco and Atomic War*, tv-watching Estonian youth help usher in a new age of Western pop culture during the Cold War, while in 2009's *Inside Hana's Suitcase*, a Japanese woman discovers the tattered suitcase of a young girl who died in Auschwitz. This year, 80 international films will contend for the top prize, many featuring older women who have led extraordinary lives. —Laura Schober