

H2385 HAI CHI EM (VIETNAM, 1988)

(Other titles: Two sisters)

Credits: director, Le Dan ; writer, Nguy Ngu.

Cast: Thanh Lan, Thuy An, Nguyen Chanh Tin, Cung Bac.

Summary: War melodrama set in South Vietnam in the 1950s and 60s. Story of two sisters, Truc and Mai, who follow divergent social paths. Truc becomes a success in business, but she is raped by a French officer and gives birth to a son. When the Americans replace the French, the son is taken to be raised in France. Under the Americans Truc leads a loose life. After inviting one young officer into her bed, she discovers she has slept with her own son. In depression and shame, Truc commits suicide. Mai, on the other hand, becomes a guerrilla. Although that life is one of privation and she is imprisoned, Mai continues to believe in the choices she has made.

“Hai chi em = Two sisters” Danh muc phim truyen Viet Nam, 1987-1997 – Catalogue of Vietnamese feature films Ha Noi : Vien nghe thuat va Luu tru dien anh Viet Nam, 1999. (p. 36)

Nguyen, Thanh Binh and Pham, Bich Loc. “Two sisters (Hai chi em)” Vietnam war feature filmography (1992 draft) [GB] (p. 509) and Vietnam war films [GB] (Entry 624)

Pham, Bich Loc (see under Nguyen, Thanh Binh)