

# Secret Things

A Film by  
**JEAN-CLAUDE BRISSEAU**

**2002, 35 mm, 115 minutes, color**  
In French with English subtitles



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## Synopsis

**Secret Things** is the story of two young women at the bottom of the social scale who discover the power of sex to get what they want. Beautiful but inexperienced Sandrine (Sabrina Seyvecou) falls under the spell of stripper/performance artist Nathalie (Coralie Revel), under whose supervision she quickly rises to become the assistant of a top executive, Delacroix (Roger Mirmont), at a Parisian bank. Sandrine easily overcomes the will of Delacroix, but it is in the inscrutable and handsome son of the boss, Christophe (Fabrice Deville), that Sandrine finds the dark nexus of power and desire.

## Director Biography and Filmography

**Jean-Claude Brisseau** (1944, Paris) taught French for 20 years in the Parisian suburbs before he made his first film in 1975, where it was noticed by director Éric Rohmer at an amateur film festival. Since that time Brisseau has been a scenario writer for French TV, and in 1978 INA (Institut Nationale de l'Audiovisuel) produced his first feature. Brisseau has a unique voice that has earned him a reputation for being a “Bad Boy” of French Cinema. His works focus on the themes of violence under the surface of social life, mysticism, morality and the irrational. In 2003 **Choses Secrètes** (“Secret Things”) won Brisseau a French Culture Award for “Cineaste of the Year.”

<b>1975</b>	<b>LA CROISEE DES CHEMINS</b>
<b>1978</b>	<b>LA VIE COMME CA</b>
<b>1982</b>	<b>UN JEU BRUTAL</b>
<b>1988</b>	<b>DE BRUIT ET DE FUREUR (“The Sound and the Fury”)</b>
<b>1989</b>	<b>NOCE BLANCHE (“White Wedding”)</b>
<b>1992</b>	<b>CÉLINE</b>
<b>1994</b>	<b>L’ANGE NOIR (“The Black Angel”)</b>
<b>1999</b>	<b>LES SAVATES DU BON DIEU (“Workers for the Good Lord”)</b>
<b>2002</b>	<b>CHOSSES SECRÈTES (“Secret Things”)</b>

# Cast and Crew

Sabrina Seyvecou .....Sandrine  
Coralie Revel .....Nathalie  
Roger Mirmont .....Delacroix  
Fabrice Deville .....Christophe  
Blandine Bury .....Charlotte  
Olivier Soler .....Cadène  
Mme Mercier .....Viviane Theophilides  
Mère Delacroix .....Dorothee Picard

## Director

Jean-Claude Brisseau

## Producer

Jean-François Geneix

## Screenplay

Jean-Claude Brisseau

## Editor

María Luisa García

## Sound

Xavier Piroëlle

Olivier Grandjean