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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
12-1 PM ON ZOOM

BELGIAN TRIATHLON CHAMPION MARIEKE VERVOORT'S TIME IS RUNNING OUT. AT 29, PARALYZED FROM THE WAIST DOWN, A DEBILITATING, CHRONIC ILLNESS SHE HAS HAD FOR 15 YEARS HAS BEGUN TO TAKE ITS TOLL. AS MARIEKE'S STRENGTH FALTERS AND HER PAIN INCREASES, SHE DECIDES TO TAKE CONTROL BY SIGNING PAPERS TO DIE BY THE CONTROVERSIAL PROCEDURE OF MEDICAL AID-IN-DYING (MAID), LEGAL IN HER HOME COUNTRY. LIBERATED AND EMPOWERED BY HAVING THE LEGAL PERMISSION TO DIE, MARIEKE REDISCOVERS THE FREEDOM AND THRILL OF COMPETITION. MARIEKE'S ACCEPTANCE OF DEATH BECOMES AN AFFIRMATION OF LIFE.

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