

ABSTRACT

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In modern Indonesian society, several groups still adhere to the traditional teachings of their ancestors, one of which is the *Kapribaden* Spiritual Group. Followers of the *Kapribaden* Spiritual Group are often associated with cult activities that emphasize mystical and occult understanding as demonstrated by prayer activities and the use of offerings in their activities. The results of the study say that the society's lack of understanding about the meaning behind *Kapribaden's* teachings makes their existence often faced with resistance from the majority side who adhere to conventional religions that are recognized by the state. This phenomenon is raised into the design of an observational documentary with an ethnographic approach to provide an overview of behavior patterns, belief systems, language, and values contained in the life of Kapribaden adherents.

Keyword: *Kapribaden* Spiritual Group, Observational Documentary Film, Film Directing.