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WOODEN CHURCH FROM FAMOUS MOVIE THE ISLAND (OSTROV) BURNS DOWN



The wooden house used as the monastery church in the filming of the famous Orthodox movie *The Island (Ostrov)* burned down yesterday.

“The house that was filmed in Pavel Lungin’s *The Island* went up in flames. The building couldn’t be saved—the flames quickly spread and destroyed the wooden structure,” reports karelia.news.

The building stood on the shore of the White Sea Bay. It became a tourist attraction after it was featured in *The Island*, which was an international success when released in 2005.

The fire was extinguished at 9:00 PM, but the building could not be saved. There were no casualties.

The cause of the fire has not yet been established.

The Island, set in a small Orthodox monastery somewhere in northern Russia, centers on Fr. Anatoly, a holy fool whose conduct confounds his fellow monks and attracts the faithful seeking spiritual counsel, healings, and blessings.



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