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# BLACKOUT. MORGEN IST ES ZU SPÄT

## **BLACKOUT. TOMORROW IS TOO LATE**

On a cold November night, a fatal chain reaction in the European power grid plunges the continent into darkness. While the authorities fight to control the impact of the blackout, one man in Italy, former hacker Pierre Manzano (Moritz Bleibtreu), realises that a malicious code he wrote nearly 20 years ago during the 2001 G8 riots is to blame.

In Germany, Frauke Michelsen (Marie Leuenberger) suddenly finds herself heading the country's crisis response team, battling with failed communication systems, the threat of food shortages and the collapse of the health system. But when her eight-year-old twin daughters go missing, she is torn between managing the spiralling incidents and her own personal challenges.

GENRE Thriller COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 45 minutes DIRECTORS Lancelot von Naso, Oliver Rihs SCREEN-PLAY Lancelot von Naso, Kai-Uwe Hasenheit PRODUCERS Kerstin Nommsen, Quirin Berg, Max Wiedemann for W&B Television; Lena Wickert, Jana Kaun, Dr. Stefan Gärtner for Joyn and Sat.1 PRODUCTION COMPANY W&B Television BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM JOYN/ SAT.1 CAST Moritz Bleibtreu, Marie Leuenberger, Heiner Lauterbach, Jessica Schwarz, Francis Fulton-Smith, Herbert Knaup, Barry Atsma, Stephan Kampwirth, Carlos Leal, Milena Dreissig, Marc Hosemann, Lena Klenke, Lea van Acken, Oliver Bröcker, Anna Brüggemann, Jule Böwe, Sönke Möhring, Marie Burchard, Pia Micaela Barucki

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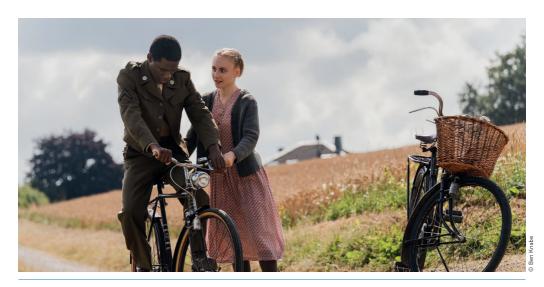
# **BONN**

#### **BONN**

BONN is a scripted high-end drama political thriller. Set against the backdrop of a stirring and dramatic family story, the series recounts the rise of the young Federal Republic between the terror of World War II and the return to everyday life amid two rival German secret services. At the same time, the series is a thrilling portrait of a young woman struggling to find her own place in a male-dominated society in the zeitgeist of the 1950s, and in doing so she discovers startling details about her own family and the man she loves. The main protagonist, Toni, is a young woman torn between her own determination and her sense of moral obligation to her family and her country. Embroiled in a fantastic battle of spies, she wants to save herself and her family from the truth and is faced with a difficult decision as to which side she will take.

GENRE Political (spy) thriller COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021/ 2022 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 48 minutes BASED ON AN IDEA BY Gerrit Hermans DIRECTOR Claudia Garde SCREENPLAY Claudia Garde (head-author), Martin Rehbock and Peter Furrer PRODUCER Philip Voges PRODUCTION COMPANY Odeon Fiction – a LEONINE Studios Company, in cooperation with Wilma Film BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM ARD/ WDR CAST Mercedes Müller, Sebastian Blomberg, Max Riemelt, Martin Wuttke, Juergen Maurer, Katharina Marie Schubert, Inga Busch, Luise von Finckh, Julius Feldmeier and Johanna Gastdorf

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# **EIN HAUCH VON AMERIKA**

## **BETWEEN TWO WORLDS**

Rhineland-Palatinate, early 1950s: A fresh wind from the west is blowing through the palatine province. The large-scale American military presence in the small town Kaltenstein turns the life of two friends upside down, paving the way for individual freedom, the permissive society and rampant capitalism in Germany. In this new world the two young women strive to create lives for themselves, repeatedly coming into conflict with the old order of the conservative forces of politics, the Church and society – and eventually come across new allies...

GENRE Drama COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2020/ 2021 FORMAT TV Mini-Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 45 minutes, 3 x 90 minutes DIRECTORS Dror Zahavi SCREENPLAY Johannes Rotter, Jo Baier, Christoph Mathieu, Ben von Rönne PRODUCERS Simone Höller, Michael Smeaton, Greta Gilles PRODUCTION COMPANY FFP New Media CO-PRODUCTION COMPANIES SWR, ARD Degeto, WDR, NDR BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM ARD CAST Elisa Schlott, Reomy D. Mpeho, Franziska Brandmeier, Jonas Nay, Anna Schudt, Dietmar Bär and others

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# **EIN PAAR TAGE LICHT**

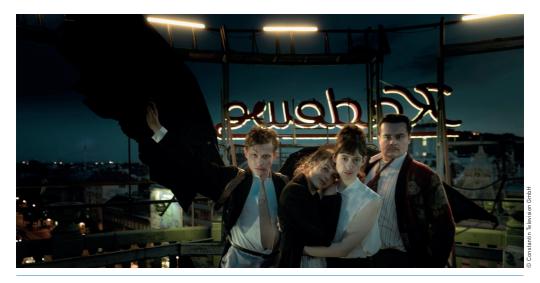
## **ALGIERS CONFIDENTIAL**

A German Police investigator assigned to his country's embassy in Algiers leads an illicit love story with a young Algerian Prosecutor. While they try to hide the relationship from their hierarchies, the kidnapping of a German arms dealer puts them in direct conflict with each other.

As they head each side of the investigation, they will uncover a corruption scandal lodged in the heart of contemporary Algeria – a nation on the brink of democratic change that will test our couple's loyalty, both to their country and ultimately to each other. Based on the hit novel by Olivier Bottini.

GENRE Political Thriller COUNTRY Germany, France YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German, French EPISODES/RUNTIME 4 x 50 minutes DIRECTOR Frédéric Jardin SCREENPLAY Abdel-Raouf Dafri, Oliver Bottini PRODUCERS Mario Krebs, Philippe Alessandri, Balthazar de Ganay PRODUCTION COMPANY Watch Next Media, EIKON Media GmbH BROAD-CASTER/PLATFORM ZDF, ARTE CAST Ken Duken, Hania Amar, Sofiane Zermani, Dali Benssalah, Hammou Graïa, Isaak Dentler, Anna Schudt, Martin Brambach, Raphael Acloque, Idir Chender, Foëd Amara, Caroline Hanke, Jele Brückner, Patrick Heyn

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# **ELDORADO KADEWE**

#### **ELDORADO KADEWE (WT)**

Right as the KaDeWe is being attacked, there is a magical encounter between Hedi (Valerie Stoll), sales woman in the textile department, and Fritzi (Lia von Blarer), the daughter of KaDeWe owner Adolf Jandorf. It is great love at first sight: Against all social and family resistance, the two unequal young women begin a passionate relationship. At the same time, Fritzi's older brother Harry (Joel Basman), returning from the war, is fighting as the new junior boss of the KaDeWe for his father's recognition – and against his own despair. At Harry's side, put in front of his nose by his father, the authorized signatory Georg (Damian Thüne), who has worked his way up to the management floor of KaDeWe from a poor background. Georg, of all people, will play a decisive role in the future fate of the department store ...

GENRE Period Drama COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 45 minutes CREATOR Julia von Heinz DIRECTOR Julia von Heinz SCREENPLAY Julia von Heinz, John Quester, Oskar Sulowski, Sabine Steyer-Violet PRODUCERS Sarah Kirkegaard, Alicia Remirez EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS Oliver Berben, Benjamin Benedict PRODUCTION COMPANY Constantin Television, UFA Fiction GmbH BROADCASTER/PLATFORM ARD CAST Valerie Stoll, Lia von Blarer, Joel Basman, Damian Thüne, Jörg Pose, Victoria Trauttmansdorff, Oliver Polak, Lana Cooper, Tonio Schneider, Neele Buchholz, Christine Grant, Martin Ontrop

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# **FAKING HITLER**

#### **FAKING HITLER**

Faking Hitler tells the story of the forged Hitler diaries: the biggest media scandal of the post-war period, from the forgery of the first diary to their publication and the conviction of the protagonists. STERN reporter Gerd Heidemann buys the Hitler diaries which have been forged by Konrad Kujau. A journalist at the magazine, Elisabeth Stöckel, is being blackmailed by a young Jewish activist, Jeffrey Gold, about her father's Nazi past and hands over copies of the diaries. With Elisabeth's help, Gold wants to stop the diaries being published. However, they don't achieve their goal. The diaries are published, but exposed shortly afterwards as forgeries...

GENRE Drama, History COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Mini-Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 45 minutes CREATOR Tommy Wosch DIRECTORS Wolfgang Groos, Tobi Baumann SCREENPLAY Tommy Wosch (Headwriter), Annika Cizek, Dominik Moser PRODUCERS Tommy Wosch, Markus Brunnemann PRODUCTION COMPANY UFA Fiction GmbH BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM TV NOW/ RTL CAST Lars Eidinger, Moritz Bleibtreu, Sinje Irslinger, Hans-Jochen Wagner, Tristan Seith, Richard Sammel, Ronald Kukulies, Lukas T. Sperber, Ulrich Tukur, Daniel Donskoy, Britta Hammelstein, Hanna Plaß, Jeanette Hain, Reiner Schöne, Ralf Dittrich, Katharina Heyer

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# FERDINAND VON SCHIRACH - GLAUBEN

#### THE ALLEGATION

Between 1994 and 1997 in the German city of Worms, twenty-five men and women were accused of running a child pornography ring. Triggered by a bitter divorce in which a woman claimed her husband sexually abused their children, the Worms Trials escalated into a storm of wild allegations and counterclaims.

Lawyer-turned-bestselling author Ferdinand von Schirach takes the bare bones of those events and brings them into the present day to create a gripping examination of collective hysteria. Focusing on one of the defendant's lawyers, Schlesinger (Peter Kurth), a hard-drinking gambling addict still reeling from the death of his wife, helped by the mysterious 'problem solver' Azra (Narges Rashidi) from the Berlin underground.

Stirred up by frenzied news coverage & public outrage, state attorney Cordelis (Sebastian Urzendowsky) makes a devastating case against the accused. Children are separated from their parents, a grandmother dies in custody, and the accused are imprisoned for up to two years before the case is thrown out by the judge. Not a single crime had taken place, but all kinds of doubts simmer below the surface. As outrage and fake news suffocates the case, it begs the question, why was Azra so keen that Schlesinger takes on this particular case? And what does she stand to gain from the trial – or from its dismissal.

GENRE Drama COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 7 x 30 minutes DIRECTOR Daniel Geronimo Prochaska SCREENPLAY Ferdinand von Schirach PRODUCER Jan Ehlert EXECUTIVE PRODUCER Oliver Berben PRODUCTION COMPANY Moovie GmbH BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM VOX/ TV NOW CAST Peter Kurth, Narges Rashidi, Désirée Nosbusch, Sebastian Urzendowsky, Michael Pink, Katharina Marie Schubert, Julika Jenkins

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# **FURIA**

#### **FURIA**

Furia is a character-driven thriller with a dark, twist-laden plot, set against the backdrop of two of Europe's most distinguished capital cities – Oslo and Berlin – as well as rural western Norway. An edge-of-your-seat mix of undercover thriller and prescient political drama, the story centres around Ragna, a covert operative who has penetrated a far-right extremist terror cell, hell-bent on carrying out an atrocity the likes of which Europe has never seen before.

Elsewhere, former special ops officer Asgeir is living the quiet life in western Norway after escaping from the Russian underworld and assuming a new identity. When their two worlds collide, Ragna and Asgeir face a race against the clock to prevent the unthinkable happening on German soil.

GENRE Drama, Thriller COUNTRY Norway, Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE Norwegian, German, English EPISODES/ RUNTIME 8 x 45 minutes CREATOR Gjermund Stenberg Eriksen DIRECTORS Magnus Martens, Lars Kraume WRITER'S ROOM Gjermund Stenberg Eriksen, Embla Veier Bugge, Nikolaj Frobenius, Hege Ulstein, Stephen Uhlander, Henner Schulte-Holtey, Helena Nielsen EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS Håkon Briseid, Vegard Stenberg Eriksen, Lasse Greve Alsos, Michael Polle, Uwe Schott, Nanna Mailand-Marcado, Fredrik Ljungberg, Filippa Wallestam, Katharina Kremling, Annika Schmidt, Frank Seyberth PRODUCTION COMPANIES Monster Scripted AS, X Filme Creative Pool GmbH CO-RODUCTION COMPANIES Nordic Entertainment Group, ZDF BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM Viaplay (Scandinavia) and ZDF (Germany) CAST Ine Marie Wilman, Nina Kunzendorf, Pål Sverre Hagen, Preben Hodneland, Cecilie Mosli, Hallvard Holmen, Ulrich Noethen, Johann von Bülow, Benjamin Sadler, Christian Berkel, August Diehl and others

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# **GEFESSELT (AT)**

#### **CHAINED (WT)**

It's 1992 and Hamburg is shaken to the core by a hair-raising sequence of events: Through a failed kidnap attempt, the furrier Lutz R. comes to the attention of the police. Vats of hydrochloric acid are discovered in his garden, containing two dissolving corpses. Female corpses. Women whom he had first abducted, then imprisoned and tortured over a period of weeks in his nuclear fallout shelter. On further investigation several false passports, extracted gold teeth and tape recordings of torture sessions are uncovered in safe deposit boxes. Hamburg is shocked, of course. But fascinated. As if the essence of evil, the taboo, the perverse, the obscene had floated to the surface for all to see. Lutz R. doesn't make life easy for his investigators: admitting nothing, he claims the women came to him of their own free will and met with tragic accidents. DNA analysis establishes their identity but not how they died.

Without the stubborn persistence of one police woman, Nela Langenbeck, the fate of these missing women would never have been proven as murder. Her first and only murder investigation plays out not only through the hunt for a sadistic woman-killer but grows into a personal campaign against the fundamentally corrupt, mysogenist police ethos of the times. Nela's detective methods revolutionize police practices.

GENRE True Crime COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT Mini-Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 45 minutes / 3 x 90 minutes (TV) DIRECTOR Florian Schwarz SCREENPLAY Max Eipp, Dinah Marte Golch, Mark Monheim, Dirk Morgenstern, Michael Proehl PRODUCER Dietmar Güntsche PRODUCTION COMPANY Neue Bioskop Television GmbH BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM Amazon Prime Video CAST Oliver Masucci, Angelina Häntsch and more

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# **HERZOGPARK**

#### **HERZOGPARK**

Hannah, Elisabeth and Annabelle: they're beautiful, rich and want to stay where they are at all costs: in Munich's highly exclusive residential area of Herzogpark. There's only one problem and it's male, powerful and has all three of them in its grip: the construction mogul Nikolaus van der Bruck. The women decide that they have to get rid of van der Bruck. But how? Poison him, shove him, run him over, shoot him or suffocate him during sex? It's not so easy to get rid of someone with an element of elegance and discretion. Especially not in a world like Herzogpark where everyone is watching everyone else and at the same time trying to keep up the nice facade...

GENRE Comedy, Drama COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 45 minutes DIRECTOR Jochen Alexander Freydank SCREENPLAY Annette Simon based on an idea from Yoko Higuchi-Zitzmann and scripts by Regina Dietl with Nadine Keil, Enno Reese and John-Hendrik Karsten PRODUCERS Yoko Higuchi-Zitzmann, Michael Lehmann, Felix von Poser PRODUCTION COMPANIES Letterbox Filmproduktion, Amalia Film BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM TV NOW CAST Heike Makatsch, Lisa Maria Potthoff, Antje Traue, Felicitas Woll, Heiner Lauterbach, Jeanette Hain, Trystan Pütter, Lukas Spisser and as a guest Francis Fulton-Smith

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# DIE IBIZA AFFÄRE

#### THE IBIZA AFFAIR

A several-hour-long meeting between two high-ranking Austrian politicians and an alleged Russian oligarch in a finca in Ibiza is secretly recorded on video. On May 17, 2019, this video is published by the Süddeutsche Zeitung (SZ) and Der Spiegel – and triggers a political scandal of unimagined proportions. The fictional series THE IBIZA AFFAIR tells the unbelievable story of how this video came to be. It uncovers the background that led to the fateful meeting on Ibiza and shows how the political drama takes its course. THE IBIZA AFFAIR is based on the non-fiction book of the same name by Frederik Obermaier and Bastian Obermayer.

GENRE Political thriller COUNTRY Germany, Austria YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Mini-Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 4 x 45 minutes DIRECTOR Christopher Schier SCREENPLAY Stefan Holtz, Florian Iwersen EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS Quirin Berg, Max Wiedemann, Laura Mihajlovic (W&B Television) Lucia Vogdt, Frank Jastfelder and Marcus Ammon (SKY) CO-PRODUCER Dieter Pochlatko, Jakob Pochlatko (epo-film) PRODUCTION COMPANY W&B Television and epo-film for SKY Studios BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM SKY CAST Nicholas Ofczarek, David A. Hamade, Stefan Murr, Patrick Güldenberg, Anna Gorshkova, Cosima Lehninger, Julian Looman, Andreas Lust, Deleila Piasko, Edi Jäger, Peter Knaack, Rita Radinger

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# **DER PALAST**

#### THE PALACE

Berlin, November 1988: The Berlin Wall still dominates the landscape, both physically and politically. The capital city is preparing for the celebrations of the 40th anniversary of the German Democratic Republic (East Germany). In the Friedrichstadt-Palast, they are rehearsing for the big birthday show. Chris, a dancer in the ensemble, gets the chance she's long been waiting for, her first solo. At precisely this exciting moment, when her professional career is about to take a decisive turn, something wholly unexpected happens: Chris finds herself facing her own doppelgänger! Marlene is the twin sister she never knew she had. Two worlds, that could not be more different, suddenly collide: On one side of the Wall, the glittering showbiz world of the Friedrichstadt-Palast, the socialist East and their mother; on the other a long-established, conservative family business, the capitalist West and their father. The women soon start wondering what their lives would have been like if their situations had been reversed. The two sisters quickly decide to swap places and dive into each other's lives, confusing and deceiving their families, friends and colleagues, being pushed to their emotional limits, taking an enormous risk given the political circumstances at the time and yet having the best fun on this adventure of a lifetime ...

GENRE Period Drama COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2020/ 2021 FORMAT TV Event Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 45 minutes CREATOR Rodica Doehnert DIRECTOR Uli Edel SCREENPLAY Rodica Doehnert PRODUCERS Kathrin Bullemer, Rüdiger Böss CREATIVE PRODUCERS Rodica Doehnert, Fritz Wildfeuer EXECUTIVE PRODUCER Oliver Berben PRODUCTION COMPANY Constantin Television BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM ZDF CAST Svenja Jung, Anja Kling, Heino Ferch, Friedrich von Thun, Inka Friedrich, Ursula Werner, Hermann Beyer, Jeanette Hain, August Wittgenstein, Hannes Wegener, Luise Befort, Annabella Zetsch, Alina Levshin, Daniel Donskoy

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# **PARADISO**

#### **PARADISO**

After a fight, Munich journalist Daniel Mandelkern (Albrecht Schuch) leaves his wife Elisabeth Emmerich (Anne Ratte-Polle) and travels to Italy for an interview with the famous German writer Mark Svensson (Friedrich Mücke), who lives in a secluded mansion on Lake Orta with photographer Kiki Kaufmann (Ina Geraldine Guy). Mandelkern is supposed to stay only for a few hours, but Tuuli Kovero (Alina Tomnikov), the protagonist of Svensson's novel and his true love, asks him to stay. Mandelkern is drawn into the lives of the people on the lake. He becomes entangled in the mystery of Tuuli's missing companion Felix Blaumeiser (Daniel Sträßer), and is sucked into a fascinating story that he thinks he knows from Svensson's novel: a love triangle that begins in Colombia, blossoms in Finland, cracks in New York, and finally comes to a tragic end on a summer night on the lake.

GENRE Drama COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German, English, Italian, Finnish, Spanish EPISODES/RUNTIME 8 x 50 minutes DIRECTORS Barbara Albert, David Dietl SCREENPLAY Hanno Hackfort, Bob Konrad, Thomas Pletzinger PRODUCERS Martin Heisler, Eva Kemme EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS Marcus Ammon, Frank Jastfelder, Andreas Perzl, Markus Golisano (SKY) PRODUCTION COMPANY Flare Entertainment GmbH BROADCASTER/PLATFORM SKY Germany CAST Friedrich Mücke, Albrecht Schuch, Alina Tomnikov, Daniel Sträßer, Ina Geraldine Guy, Anne Ratte-Polle

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# SISI

#### SISI

She is an icon, Empress, legendary beauty: Sisi, Europe's first super star. Her love of freedom and the promise to give the Habsburg monarchy a gentler face have captivated Europe. Now, she will enter into a new era. It is a true story full of intrigue and desires. A carefree teenager, Sisi falls head over heels in love with a powerful and desirable man. But he has an unspoken dark and dangerous side: love that was not meant to be. Sisi has to choose and accepts the challenge. A coming-of-age story, the tomboy becomes a self-confident, modern woman. She will be able to make difficult decisions, to deal with loss and ultimately to fill an independent role as Empress.

GENRE Period Drama COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 45 minutes DIRECTOR Sven Bohse SCREENPLAY Elena Hell, Robert Krause; Headwriter: Robert Krause, Andreas Gutzeit PRODUCERS Andreas Gutzeit, Jens Freels PRODUCTION COMPANY Story House Pictures GmbH BROADCASTER/PLATFORM RTL/TV NOW CAST Dominique Devenport, Jannik Schümann, Désirée Nosbusch, David Korbmann, Tanja Schleiff, Paula Kober, Julia Stemberger, Pauline Rénevier, Marcus Grüsser, Yasmani Stambader, Giovanni Funiati

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# **SOULS**

## **SOULS**

The drama series SOULS centers on Allie, Hanna and Linn. Three women whose lives are irrevocably turned upside down when fourteen-year-old Jacob, after a serious car accident, believes he remembers his former life as the pilot of a lost passenger plane. Is Jacob lying or can a person's soul really be reincarnated? And how do those people react to Jacob's alleged memories who lost close relatives and loved ones in the fatal crash ten years ago?

GENRE Drama COUNTRY Germany, Belgium YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German, English, Swedish EPISODES/ RUNTIME 8 x 45 minutes CREATOR Alex Eslam DIRECTORS Alex Eslam, Hanna Maria Heidrich SCREENPLAY Alex Eslam, Lisa van Brakel, Erol Yesilkaya, Senad Halibasic PRODUCERS Hana Geißendörfer, Malte Can, Alena Jelinek EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS Lucia Vogdt, Frank Jastfelder and Marcus Ammon (SKY) PRODUCTION COMPANY Geißendörfer Pictures GmbH BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM SKY Germany/ UK/ IT/ ESP CAST Brigitte Hobmeier, Julia Koschitz, Lili Epply, Aaron Kissiov, Aleksandar Jovanovic, Godehard Giese, Derya Dilber, Laurence Rupp, Abak Safaei-Rad and Selam Tadese

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# **DER ÜBERFALL**

#### THE HEIST

Our story takes place in a major German city – such, that could be found anywhere, because anything can happen to anyone. Here's to be found more of everything, more chaos, more from the exeptional, the extraordinary. All characters are centered around a failed robbery. The heist on a small corner shop causes a series of reactions, which ends up fatally for its owner. Then, when an eight-year-old and an envelope full of money are gone, the lives of different protagonists are fatefully intertwined. Within 6 days, THE HEIST chronicles about our fight for existence, identity and status in an increasingly complex and threatening world. There, the extent of how we can integrate coincidence into destiny plays a crucial role. Are we able to find happiness within this seeming chaos of causalities or chances?

GENRE Drama COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 52 minutes DIRECTOR Stephan Lacant SCREENPLAY Stefan Kolditz, Katja Wenzel PRODUCERS Benjamin Benedict, Korinna Roters, Alisa Müller (UFA Fiction GmbH) CO-PRODUCERS Caroline von Senden, Alexandra Staib (ZDF) PRODUCTION COMPANIES UFA Fiction GmbH, ZDF – Zweites Deutsches Fernsehen (Co-production) BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM ZDF CAST Katja Riemann, Lorna Ishema, Joel Basman, Sebastian Zimmler, Yasin Boynuince, Karolina Lodyga, Marie-Rosie Merz, Mo Issa, Amina Merai, Anna Grisebach, Maximilian Brauer, Hadi Khanjanpour

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## **DIE WESPE**

#### THE WASP

Eddie is a professional darts player. And Eddie is in crisis. Fame gone, money gone, wife gone and we'd rather not start at all about physical fitness ... But Eddie wouldn't be Eddie "The Wasp" if he'd let it get him down. That's why he gets help from his old buddy Nobbe, who is also a rusty dart professional ... and an alcoholic. With that, Eddie is of course well equipped to find his way back to life and his career. Get off the sofa and grab the arrows.

GENRE Comedy COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMAT TV Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 30 minutes CREATOR Jan Berger DIRECTOR Hermine Huntgeburth SCREENPLAY Jan Berger PRODUCERS Sabine de Mardt, Andreas Bareiss PRODUCTION COMPANY Gaumont GmbH BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM SKY Germany CAST Florian Lukas, Lisa Wagner, Leonard Scheicher, Ulrich Noethen, Sahin Eryilmaz, Alexandra von Schwerin

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# **ZERV**

#### **DIVIDED WE STAND**

Berlin 1991. Homicide Inspector Karo Schubert has won herself a position as chief detective in reunified Germany. In the murder case of a high-ranking employee of the Ministry of Disarmament, she encounters the newly appointed Western Superintendent Peter Simon. He leads the ZERV special unit, a task force that investigates crimes committed by the old regime. Both claim the case for their department. Now, they have to work together: For Peter and his team won't succeed if their Eastern colleagues don't cooperate. Soon, Peter and Karo realize that right and wrong remain right and wrong, no matter from which side one looks at it. They find themselves embroiled in a battle against old networks. When Karo stumbles across the files of her missing father in the course of her investigation, she finds a new piece of the puzzle of both her family history and the case.

GENRE Crime Drama COUNTRY Germany YEAR OF PRODUCTION 2021 FORMATTV Series LANGUAGE German EPISODES/ RUNTIME 6 x 48 minutes DIRECTOR Dustin Loose SCREENPLAY Jens Köster, Kim Zimmermann, Michael Klette, Dr. Gabriela Sperl PRODUCERS Dr. Gabriela Sperl, Quirin Berg, Max Wiedemann EXECUTIVE PRODUCER Miriam Klein PRODUCTION COMPANY Gabriela Sperl Produktion for W&B Television in collaboration with Wilma Film for ARD, MDR and ARD Degeto for Das Erste BROADCASTER/ PLATFORM ARD, MDR, Das Erste CAST Nadja Uhl, Fabian Hinrichs, Max Hubacher, Henriette Hölzel, Fritzi Haberlandt, Thorsten Merten, Rainer Bock, Leon Ullrich, Imogen Kogge, Peter Schneider, Vanessa Loibl

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Alliance, the Association of German Film ration with the Goethe-Institut Exporters, the German Federal Film Board (FFA), the Deutsche Kinemathek, the German Documentary Association, FilmFernsehFonds Staging of industry screenings in key Bayern, Film- und Medienstiftung NRW, international territories Medienboard Berlin-Brandenburg, and the German Short Film Association.

million comes from film export levies, the buyers from the fields of cinema, home office of the Federal Government Com- entertainment, and television missioner for Culture and the Media, and the FFA. The eight main regional film funds (FilmFernsehFonds Bayern, Filmförderung Providing advice and information for Organization with UniFrance of the an-Hamburg Schleswig-Holstein, Film- und German filmmakers and press on inter- nual German-French film meeting Medienstiftung NRW, HessenFilm, Medien- national festivals, conditions of participaboard Berlin-Brandenburg, MFG Baden- tion, and German films being shown Württemberg, Mitteldeutsche Medienförderung, and Nordmedia) make a financial contribution towards the work of German Organization of the annual Next Genera-Films.

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- the name Export-Union of German Cinema as tional film festivals, including Berlin, Cannes, about current German films and the German Venice, San Sebastian, Locarno, Sundance, film industry, as well as international market Karlovy Vary, Toronto, New York, Shanghai, analyses and special festival brochures
- company was reorganized and now operates. German sales companies and producers at
- SHAREHOLDERS are the German Pro- Staging of Festivals of German Films in ducers Guild, the German Producers selected international territories in coope-
- Providing advice and information for rep-German Films' budget of presently €4.8 resentatives of the international press and

  - tion Short Tiger short film program, which presents a selection of shorts and is internationally premiered in Cannes

- Close cooperation with major interna- Publication of informational literature
  - A website (www.german-films.de) offering information about new German films, a film archive, information and links to German and international film festivals and institutions
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