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GERMANY AUSTRIA SWITZERLAND





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#### derichow

dir: Christian Petzold

Friday 1/23 • 7pm & 9:30pm

Returning to his village near Berlin after a dishonorable discharge, Thomas jumps at the chance to chauffeur a Turkish businessman — until a dangerous liaison with his new boss's unhappy German wife changes everything.

## Football Undercover

dir: Ayat Najafi & David Assmann

Saturday 1/24 • 2pm Wednesday 1/28 • 9pm

A rousing documentary about the preparations for the friendly football match between Berlin's women's squad and the Iranian national women's team. Winner, Best Documentary and Audience Favorite awards, Berlin Film Festival.

## Palermo Shooting

dir: Wim Wenders

Saturday 1/24 • 4pm Sunday 1/25 • 6:30pm

A metaphysical thriller, this typically challenging and unclassifiable film is the first film Wenders has set in his hometown, Düsseldorf. Featuring Lou Reed and Dennis Hopper as apparitions who stalk the artist.

#### Cherry Blossoms: Hanami (Kirshblüten - Hanami)

dir: Doris Dörrie

Saturday 1/24 • 7pm

One screening only of this leisurely paced, resonant film featuring a German widower who travels to Japan to visit his son and see his wife's beloved Mount Fuji.

## The Wave (Die Welle)

dir: Dennis Gansel & Peter Thorwarth

Saturday 1/24 • 9:30pm Sunday 1/25 • 1:30pm

Hard-charging high school schoolteacher Rainer Wenger urges his students to embrace a week-long study of autocracy. A much anticipated follow-up to Gansel's roots-of-fascism period drama Before the Wall (Napola).

## Revanche

dir: Goetz Spielmann

Sunday 1/25 • 3:45pm Tuesday 1/27 • 6:45pm & 9:15pm

Austria's submission for the 2009 Oscars is an excursion into European noir featuring brooding ex-con Alex's attempt to rob the local bank.

#### A Hero's Welcome (Nacht vor Augen)

dir: Brigitte Maria Bertele

Sunday 1/25 • 9:15pm Wednesday 1/28 • 7pm

Award-winning actor Hanno Koffler plays David, a paramedic who has completed his tour of duty in Afghanistan but is haunted by an experience there.

#### The Friend (Cer Freund)

dir: Micha Lewinsky

Monday 1/26 • 7pm & 9pm

Switzerland's submission for the 2009 Oscars. Smitten by singer-songwriter Larissa, Emil finds himself being asked to be her boyfriend "in case anything happens."

# Welodies of Spring (Märzmelodie)

dir: Martin Walz

Thursday 1/29 • 7pm & 9:30pm

A "melodious love comedy" that will put a spring in your step, this poetic feature film is interspersed with snippets from classic German rock songs lip-synced by the actors.