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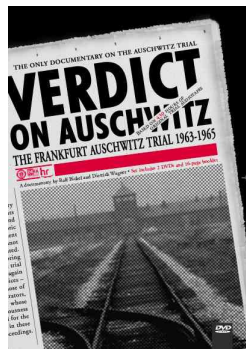
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[Verdict on Auschwitz: the Frankfurt Auschwitz Trial 1963-1965](#) has been ranked the 18th best movie

Thank you all for your warm holiday and New Year's wishes. We are looking forward to a 2008 filled with many exciting projects, events and new DVD releases ... and to seeing you at the SCMS, GSA and other conferences. Stay tuned!

- **[Goya by Konrad Wolf - Newly Remastered and Restored](#)**

The Berlin-based [DEFA Foundation](#) reports that restoration of the 1971 classic is complete and DVD production can begin. The DVD will contain new English subtitles, information about the restoration process, and 2007 interviews with scriptwriter Angel Wagenstein and Bulgarian theater and film actress, Tatyana Lolova (*Journey to Jerusalem*, 2003; *After the End of the World*, 1998), who played the Queen Maria Luisa in Wolf's production. The North American DVD release is announced for late spring 2008.



- **[DEFA in Colorado](#)**

The Public Library in Boulder, Colorado, has launched a 4-month retrospective on *The Cinema of the German Democratic Republic*, featuring weekly screenings of DEFA classics through April 14, 2008. February's program includes *Trace of Stones*, *The Kaiser's Lackey* and the DEFA Western, *Blood Brothers*, with US-born singer and actor Dean Reed. An expatriate who lived in the GDR, Reed would have celebrated his 70th birthday this year;



of 2007 by the [Top Ten REVIEWS](#) website! Lining up against blockbuster titles, [Verdict on Auschwitz](#) is also the only

documentary among the top 25 films of the year! Our Special 2-DVD Edition also includes a 1-hour teaching DVD, critical essays and an index of Auschwitz survivors and perpetrators.

[Toptenreviews.com](#) compiles and updates their list based on a range of criteria and is the source used by millions for quick research and in-depth product information on new DVD-releases.

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he died in 1986 and in 1991 his ashes were brought to Boulder and buried in the Green Mountains cemetery. We would like to thank film programmer Joel Haertling for organizing this film series.

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- **DEFA Director Evelyn Schmidt on YouTube**

One of our upcoming releases in March 2008 is Evelyn Schmidt's *The Bicycle* (1981), described by the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art as "a rare feminist view of socialist Germany." This film was part of the *Rebels with a Cause* series screened at The Museum of Modern Art in New York. The YouTube clip shows director Evelyn Schmidt introducing her film at MoMA on October 8, 2005. The film material was edited by former UMass student Michael Aronson.



[Watch the film...](#)

- **New Press!**

Highly Recommended by Video Librarian!

The two new DVD releases [I Was Nineteen](#) (1967, Dir. Konrad Wolf) and [Trace of Stones](#) (1966/1990, Dir. Frank Beyer) were praised and highly recommended by Video Librarian magazine.



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