



# ABSOLUTE POET - FRIEDRICH HÖLDERLIN

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## SYNOPSIS

September 11th, 1806, the poet Friedrich Hölderlin is forcibly abducted from his then home in Homburg and brought to a mental hospital in Tübingen. There he is treated according to the traumatising methods of the time, then declared incurable. His remaining 36 years of life he spends isolated in a room in Tübingen. Taking the questionable forced abduction as a starting point the film recounts the uncompromising life path of this world-famous poet and traces his political radicalisation against the background of the French Revolution. A story about extremism, yearning and identity.

## CAST AND CREW

**DIRECTOR** Hedwig Schmutte, Rolf Lambert · **PRODUCER** Rolf Lambert · **ACTOR / ACTRESS** Thorsten Hierse · **SCORE** President Bongo, LOPAZZ · **EDITOR** Gunther Kreis, Manfred Linke · **DOP** André Götzmann · **NARRATOR** Anna Thalbach (Anna Thalbach) · **ANIMATION** Ali Soozandeh

Germany 2019

90 min

### ORIGINAL TITLE

DICHTER SEIN. UNBEDINGT! -  
Friedrich Hölderlin

### FORMAL CATEGORIES

Biographie/Portrait, Arts/Culture

### CONTENT CATEGORIES

Essay, Hybrid

### ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German

### PREMIERE

Germany (2019)

### PRODUCTION COMPANY

[Along Mekong Productions](#)

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### FILM LOCATION

Germany

### LINKS / REFERENCE

### TRAILER

<https://vimeo.com/385500405>

DVD German

<https://absolutmedien.de/fi...>

<http://www.hedwigschmutte.d...>

<http://alongmekong.com/deut...>