



# RHYTHM IS IT!

by Thomas Grube, Enrique Sánchez Lansch



## SYNOPSIS

This Box Office hit is about Marie, Martin, Olayinka and 250 kids and teenagers who never danced or listened to classical music when they faced their biggest challenge: to perform Stravinsky's 'Rite of Spring' with Sir Simon Rattle and the legendary Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra! Berlin, one cold January day. Amazing things are happening in the Arena down at Berlin's industrial harbour. 250 Berlin schoolchildren from 25 different nationalities and socially difficult neighbourhoods are dancing to Stravinsky's 'Rite of Spring' choreographed by Royston Maldoom and accompanied by the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra under its chief conductor, Sir Simon Rattle. RHYTHM IS IT! follows the fascinating process leading to a breathtaking performance. It shows the first efforts at dancing made by these very diverse youngsters, few of whom had prior knowledge of classical music and dance. A touching adventure spanning three-months of rehearsals which shows the perseverance,...

## FESTIVALS

2015

German Film Award - Best Documentary  
German Film Awards - Best Editing  
Best Documentary - Bavarian Film Award  
German Critic Award  
Best DVD of the Year \_ ECHO Classic

## CAST AND CREW

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PRODUCER Uwe Dierks, Thomas Grube, Andrea Thilo · EDITOR  
Dirk Grau, Martin Hoffmann (Martin Hoffmann) · DOP René  
Dame, Marcus Winterbauer

Germany 2004

100 min

### FORMAL CATEGORIES

Coming of Age, Children / Youth,  
Arts/Culture, Migration, Music,  
Social issues

### ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German, English

### PREMIERE

Germany (2004)

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