

# TALK STRAIGHT - THE WORLD OF RURAL QUEERS

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## SYNOPSIS

In big cities discrimination against homosexuality and gay way of life is not a big issue anymore. Gay mayors and football club association presidents are no longer colorful exceptions to the rule, rather they have become an expression of normality. In rural areas, however, the definition of what is normal is quite different. Out here, normal means a husband, wife and children "the nuclear family". In the country, expressions such as "proofter" are still common parlance and mothers are ashamed if their sons fail to bring home a girlfriend. Hartmut, Richard, Stefan and Uwe are all gay men who live in the country. They punctuate their rural existence with brief but regular sojourns in Berlin, Zürich or Thailand. These four men have learned to live with the fact, that their lifestyle is met with a volley of abuse from their heterosexual friends and acquaintances in the church choir and at the local pub. Jochen Hick's film provides an insight into a largely unknown world. The audience...

## CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Jochen Hick

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106 min

### ORIGINAL TITLE

Ich kenn keinen! - Allein unter Heteros

### FORMAL CATEGORIES

Biographie/Portrait, Gender, Human Rights, Social issues

### ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German

### PREMIERE

Berlin, Germany (2003)

### PRODUCTION COMPANY

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### FILM LOCATION

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