

# TALKING TO YOU

by Lucie Herrmann



## SYNOPSIS

A film about the love of jazz, but also about the love of the saxophone, that magical instrument. "I tell something about myself by playing and putting together sounds. That's my story," says Christof Lauer. He is one of the great jazz saxophonists in Europe, was a member of Albert Mangelsdorff's quintet and the United Jazz + Rock Ensemble. He was a soloist in the NDR Big Band in Hamburg for 25 years and has also been a soloist in the jazz ensemble of the Hessischer Rundfunk since 1970.

How can the magic emanating from the tenor or soprano saxophone be explained? Who actually makes these instruments? And how did Christof Lauer manage to rekindle his love of jazz over decades? TALKING TO YOU penetrates the musical cosmos of an idiosyncratic musician who rejects any routine and persistently works on new forms. The main thing is that: "it has to be intense".

"At last, here is a music portrait that takes its subject seriously and doesn't fade out individual pieces after just a few..."

## FESTIVALS

2023

Lichter Filmfest Frankfurt International  
17 UNERHÖRT! – Musikfilmfestival Hamburg  
7 Soundwatch Music Film Festival

## CAST AND CREW

**DIRECTOR** Lucie Herrmann · **PRODUCER** Lucie Herrmann ·  
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92 min

### FORMAL CATEGORIES

Biographie/Portrait,  
Arts/Culture, Music

### CONTENT CATEGORIES

Music video

### ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

English, German

### PREMIERE

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### LINKS / REFERENCE

### PRODUKTION

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