



THE CHILDREN OF KORNTAL

by Julia Charakter



SYNOPSIS

Korntal – a little town in the south of Germany, is the scene of the greatest abuse scandal ever to rock the Protestant Church. An estimated 150 former children from homes run by the Pietist Brotherhood have broken their silence: They are revealing the physical and mental horrors to which they were exposed. Many of them were victims of sexualized violence at an early age. The 9,000-person town have responded to the accusations with disbelief and denial. They cannot imagine that this could have happened in their God-fearing town. The film is sensitive portrait of 6 protagonists, who are telling their stories.

FESTIVALS

2023

DEFA Sponsoring Award – 66 DOK Leipzig
Filmfestival Cologne

2024

11 dokKa Karlsruhe, Germany
8 SWR Doku Festival

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Julia Charakter · PRODUCER Birgit Schulz · SCORE Leonard Küßner · EDITOR Jonas Eckert, Julia Charakter · DOP Jonas Eckert · SOUND DESIGN Volker Ambruster · ANIMATION Mick Mahler

Germany 2023

90 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

DIE KINDER AUS KORNTAL

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Coming of Age, Current Affairs, Family, Children / Youth, Religion, Social issues

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German

PREMIERE

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PRODUCTION COMPANY

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