



THE COMMUNIST

by Andreas Goldstein



SYNOPSIS

My father Klaus Gysi - Jew and communist - made his career in the former GDR after years of illegality in Nazi Germany. The fall of socialism burnt his life efforts in one brief moment. The film THE COMMUNIST tries to reflect on his failure from the viewpoint of my own experiences within this historical time. My fundamental historical experience is opportunism. 1990 people already forgot what they believed in the year before. So did my father, one of the leading operatives of the GDR, who now calls the state he worked for all his life a dictatorship which should have been prevented. A sudden change of heart which disturbed me and was the reason to make this movie.

FESTIVALS

2018

61st DOK Leipzig

42nd Diusburger Filmwoche - Prize of City of Diusburg

2019

16 dokumentarfilmwoche hamburg

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Andreas Goldstein · **PRODUCER** Andreas Goldstein, Heino Deckert · **EDITOR** Chris Wright · **DOP** Jakobine Motz

Germany 2018

72 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

DER FUNKTIONÄR

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Biographie/Portrait, Family, POV

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German

PREMIERE

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