



# WITHOUT MERCY

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## SYNOPSIS

In the 60s and 70s more than one million children were mentally and physically abused in nursing homes. Often led by nuns and priests, the defenseless children were beaten and forced to hard physical work. In the end of the 1990s a financial compensation was offered for the victims per law.

In animated flashbacks the anonymous protagonist tells of the everyday life in an orphanage of the 70s and her personal struggle against the ruthless authority of the nuns. 40 years later, when she is to be financially compensated by the authorities, she meets with incomprehension and renewed ruthlessness.

## FESTIVALS

DOK.fest Munich  
Landhuter Kurzfilmtage  
71. Filmfestival Cannes  
Neiße Filmfest  
Tresenfilmfestival Dortmund  
TIFF - Tirana Short  
Interfilm Berlin  
Deutsches Filmfestival Moskau

## CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Julia Charakter · PRODUCER Julia Charakter

Germany 2017

12 min

ORIGINAL TITLE  
unbarmherzig

FORMAL CATEGORIES  
Children / Youth, Human Rights, Religion, Social issues

CONTENT CATEGORIES  
Animation

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES  
German

PREMIERE  
Germany (2017)

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