

2006 Academy Award Nominee – Best Foreign Language Film

*Das Leben der Anderen* (*The Lives Of Others*)

Germany

In East Berlin in 1984, the secret police organization, Stasi, conducts extensive surveillance operations against any East German citizen suspected of opposing the Communist regime. When Captain Gerd Weisler begins monitoring the daily life of the playwright Georg Dreyman, he finds himself increasingly unwilling to betray his subject's private moments to his superiors.

*This is the seventh Academy Award nomination for Germany. Previous nominations were:*

SOPHIE SCHOLL - THE FINAL DAYS (2005) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

DOWNFALL (2004) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

NOWHERE IN AFRICA (2002) -- Winner, Foreign Language Film

BEYOND SILENCE (1997) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

SCHTONK! (1992) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

THE NASTY GIRL (1990) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

*Prior to reunification in 1990, the Federal Republic of Germany received a total of eight Academy Award nominations, including one win:*

ANGRY HARVEST (1985) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

THE TIN DRUM (1979) -- Winner, Foreign Language Film

THE GLASS CELL (1978) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

THE PEDESTRIAN (1973) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

THE BRIDGE (1959) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

ARMS AND THE MAN (1958) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

THE DEVIL CAME AT NIGHT (1957) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

THE CAPTAIN OF KOPENICK (1956) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film

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JACOB, THE LIAR (1976) -- Nominee, Foreign Language Film