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Alfred Andersch
Efraim's Book

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Efraim, a German Jew by birth, is sent as an adolescent to live with his wealthy uncle in England. In 1962 he returns to Berlin for the first time in twenty-seven years; his assignment to trace the abandoned, illegitimate daughter of his corpulent employer. Appalled by a city whose present decencies only serve to remind him of his past atrocities, and stimulated by his affair with a Maoist actress, Efraim, in search of identity and salvation, begins his fragmented autobiography...

Book factsheet

Contemporary Literature
472 pages
February 1967

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Movie adaptations

1993: *Tochter*

Cast: Rudin Denise, Förnbacher Helmut

1988: *Die Kirschen der Freiheit*

Director: Stephan Reinhardt

1987: *Sansibar oder der letzte Grund*

Director: Bernhard Wicki

Screenplay: Karin Hagen

Cast: Peter Kremer, Cornelia Schmaus, Gisela Stein

1985: *Vater eines Mörders*

Director: Carl-Heinz Caspari

1977: *Winterspelt 1944*

Director: Eberhard Fechner

Cast: Ulrich von Dobschütz, Katharina Thalbach, Hans-Christian Blech

1965: *Haakons Hosentaschen*

Director: Martin Bosboom

Cast: Filmmessay/Dokumentation (HR) von Alfred Andersch, aus der das Buch »Hohe Breitengrade« entstand.

1962: *La rossa*

Director: Helmut Käutner

Cast: Ruth Leuwerik, Rossanzo Brazzi, Gert Fröbe

1961: *Sansibar oder der letzte Grund*

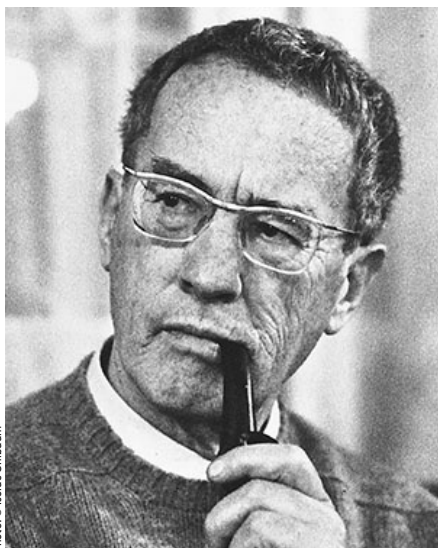
Director: Rainer Wolffhardt

Cast: Robert Graf, Beatrice Schweizer, Paul Dahlke

Praise

Alfred Andersch

»A master of German prose.« – Max Frisch



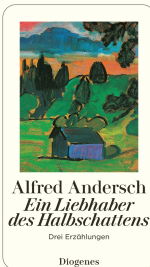
Alfred Andersch (1914 – 1980) was sent to Dachau concentration camp in 1933. After deserting from the Wehrmacht in 1944, he became an American prisoner of war. After his return to Germany, he worked as a journalist and publicist, and was one of the founders of German radio. Andersch is one of Germany's most important post-war authors, and his books are on school reading lists. Alfred Andersch died in Berzona / Ticino in 1980.



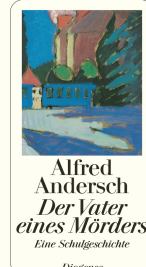
Leeward Islands
544 pages
2014



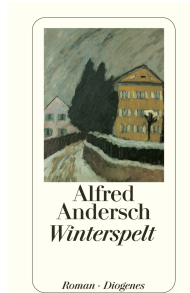
Correspondence
192 pages
2014



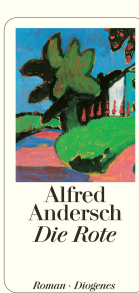
An Admirer of Half Shadows
112 pages
2006



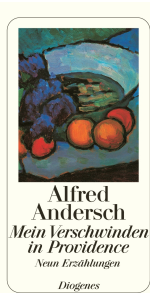
The Father of a Murderer
144 pages
1980
 **Movie Adaptation**



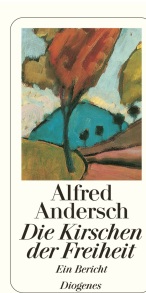
Winterspelt
604 pages
1974



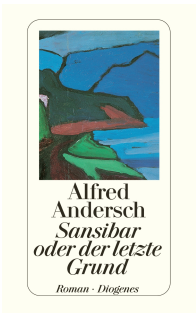
The Redhead
272 pages
1972
 **Movie Adaptation**



My Disappearance in Providence
276 pages
1971



Cherries of Freedom
144 pages
1971



Flight to Afar
224 pages
1970