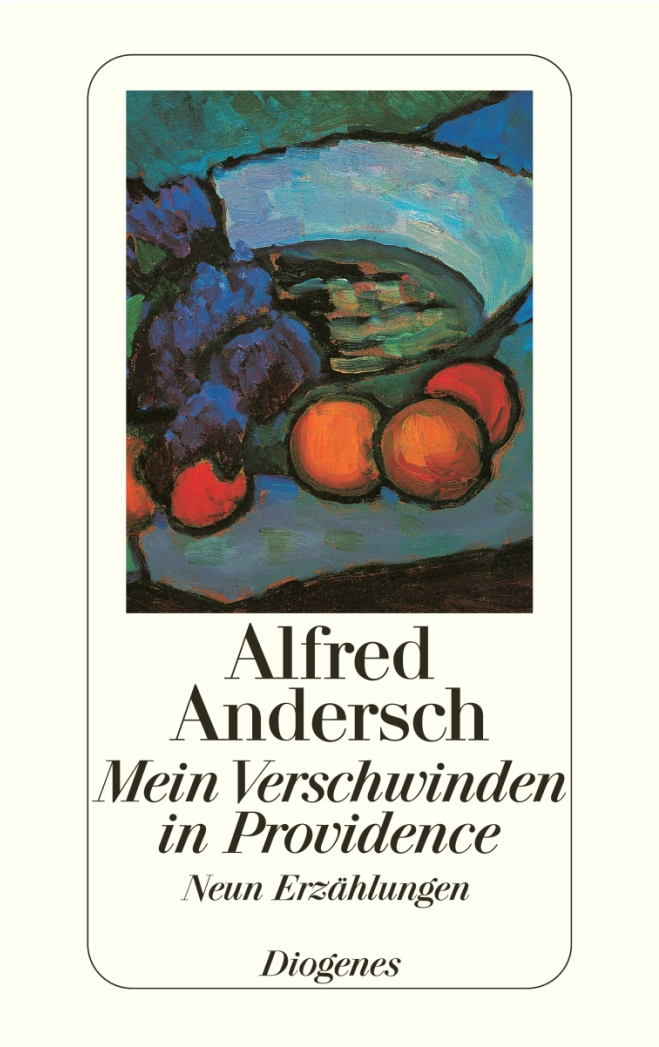
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Book factsheet

Alfred Andersch
My Disappearance in Providence

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Original title: *Mein Verschwinden in Providence*



Andersch's third collection of short stories, published in 1971, shows the author at the height of his aesthetic possibilities. Apart from discontinuous and fragmentary narrative forms as well as literary montage, the volume notably features conventionally narrated autobiographical stories, or, in other words, fictionalisations of the author's own life.

Contemporary Literature
276 pages
February 1971

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Movie adaptations

1993: Tochter
Director: Guy Kubli
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: Filmessay/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

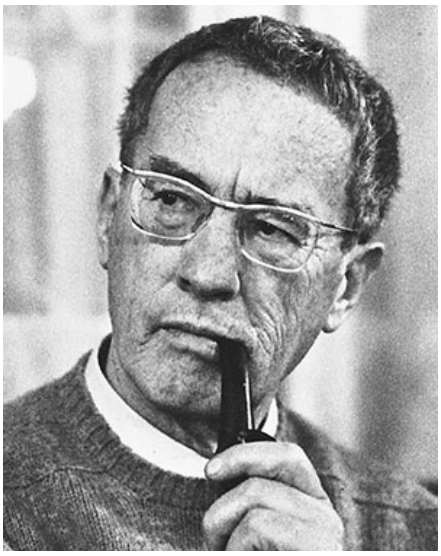


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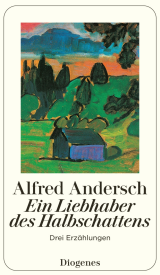
Alfred Andersch (1914 – 1980) was sent to Dachau concentration camp in 1933. After deserting from the Wehrmacht in 1944, he became an American prisoner of war. After his return to Germany, he worked as a journalist and publicist, and was one of the founders of German radio. Andersch is one of Germany's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



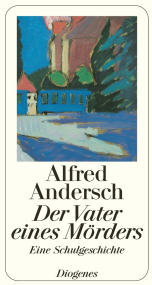
Leeward Islands
544 pages
2014



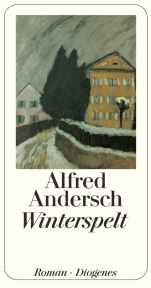
Correspondence
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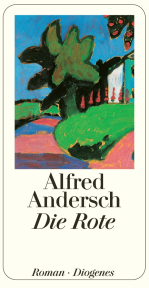
An Admirer of Half Shadows
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2006



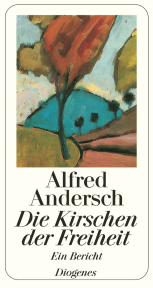
The Father of a Murderer
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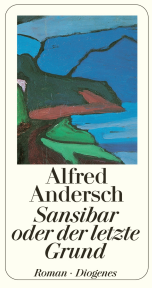
Winterspelt
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1974



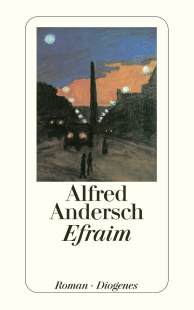
The Redhead
272 pages
1972
Movie Adaptation



Cherries of Freedom
144 pages
1971



Flight to Afar
224 pages
1970



Efraim's Book
472 pages
1967
Award winner