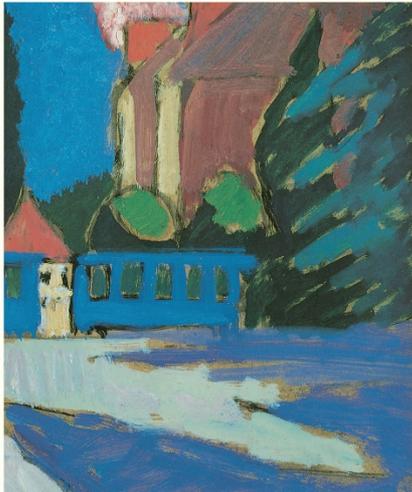


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**Alfred Andersch**  
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#### **Movie adaptations**

**1993: Tochter**  
Cast: Rudin Denise, Fölnbacher 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**

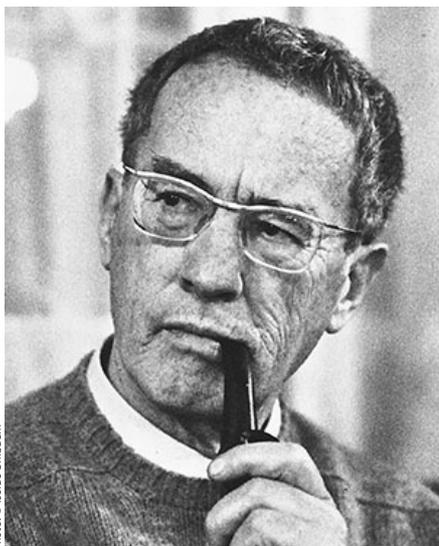
*The Father of a Murderer*

»The text reveals one of Andersch's undeniable strengths, the interweaving of the public and the private, the personal and the political.« – Rhys W. Williams / new books in german

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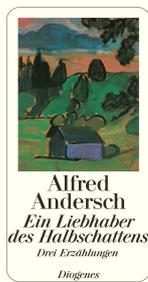
Born in 1914, Alfred Andersch attended a private Munich boys' school, which was in fact run by the father of Heinrich Himmler, as depicted in his last book ›The Father of a Murderer‹. In 1933 Alfred Andersch spent six months in Dachau concentration camp for his activities as a Communist youth leader. After deserting the Wehrmacht army in 1944, he spent over a year as a prisoner of war in America. After returning to Germany, he was the editor of several newspapers as well as a prominent novelist. A founder of ›Group 47‹, that distinguished company of German writers whose members included Heinrich Böll and Günter Grass, Andersch won the »Nelly Sachs Prize« (for ›Efraim's Book‹) in 1968. He died in 1980 in Berzona /Ticino.



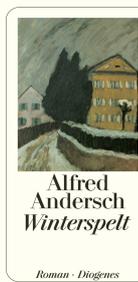
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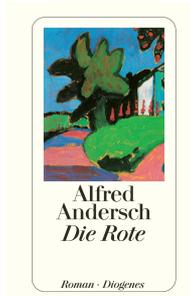
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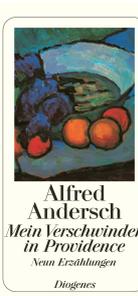
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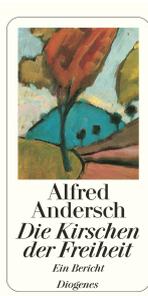
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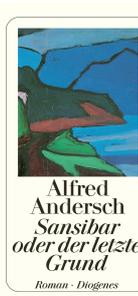
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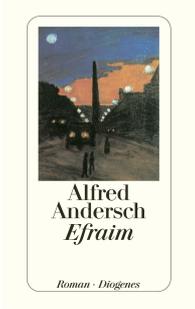
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