



## THE TIN DRUM (1979)

Directed by Volker Schlöndorff

Oskar Matzerath (David Bennent), a young boy living in rural Germany circa 1925, is smarter than most children his age. Frustrated by the hypocrisy he sees in the adults around him, Oskar vows never to grow up or get any bigger. On his third birthday he is given a toy drum, which he beats whenever the chaos around him becomes too much to bear. He protects and defends his beloved toy with an ear piercing, glass shattering scream. As Germany falls to pieces in the 30s and 40s, the never-aging Oskar marches on, defiantly beating his drum.

The Tin Drum received the Palme d'Or at Cannes Film Festival in 1979. It won the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film in 1980.

142 min.

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