



## **Biography SABINE DERFLINGER**

Sabine Derflinger, born in Upper Austria, studied at the Film Academy Vienna in the fields of writing and dramaturgy. In 1996 she completed her studies with her diploma thesis "Film Narratives - Between Epic & Dramatic".

Since then she has produced several award-winning feature films and documentaries (e.g. Step on it, Easy money, One out of 8, 42plus, Day and night, Twilight over Burma).

In 2010 she founded her own production company Derflinger Film (among others "Jasmila Zbanic", "Em Familia" - Globo TV, "Johanna Dohnal – Visionary of feminism", "Alice Schwarzer"), in addition she also directed various television productions in Germany and Austria.

In 2011 she was the first female director in Austria to direct an episode of the well known TV-crime series "Tatort" and won the Grimme Award in 2014 for the "Tatort" episode "Down for the count".

In 2015/2016, Sabine Derflinger directed the new TV series "Vorstadtweiber" ("Suburbia - Woman on the edge"), which became the most successful Austrian TV comedy series of the last ten years and won the "Metropolis Award 2016", best directed TV series for "Vorstadtweiber" season 2 episode 6.

In 2017, Sabine Derflinger received the "Goldenes Verdienstzeichen des Landes Wien" in recognition of her great achievements.

She was awarded with the "Grand Diagonale prize documentary 2020" for the cinema documentary "Johanna Dohnal – Visionary of feminism", Austria's first Secretary of State for general women affairs and an icon of the Austrian feminist movement. And 2021 "Johanna Dohnal – Visionary of feminism" received the Austrian Film Award for "Best Documentary Film" as well as for "Best Editing".

"Johanna Dohnal – Visionary of feminism" also became a surprise success at the box office: despite the release (14.02.2020) at the outbreak of the Corona crisis and temporarily closed theaters, the film became the "talk of the town" in Austria and was seen by more than 40,000 viewers.

In 2022 Sabine Derflinger's cinema documentary film about the German feminist and journalist Alice Schwarzer starts in Austria, Germany and Switzerland, and the two-part TV movie she directed "High Spirits" (ZDF) has its TV premier in autumn.

With "Alice Schwarzer" she was again awarded with the "Grand Diagonale prize documentary 2022".