This year’s GSA Film Festival explores the topic of Authority & Alterity in East Germany. Showcasing the wide range of different lifestyles and subcultures, environmental issues and rebellion that motivated fans and how they understand the place of soccer in their lives.

See Director’s Talk 3 below.

**AUTHORITY & ALTERITY IN EAST GERMANY**

### Film Festival Focus

The festival will focus on a number of films that explore the political, social, and cultural context of East Germany and the GDR. These films provide a unique insight into the daily lives of East Germans during the Cold War, offering a glimpse into the struggles, successes, and challenges faced by individuals and communities during this turbulent period.

#### TALKS & DIRECTOR’S TALKS

**TALK 1 - On Childern**

A discussion with director Roland Steiner about his film *Children*. Moderated by Sofia Howes (Univ. of Missouri) and Mariana Ivanova (UMass Amherst).

**TALK 2 - On Beauty & Decay**

Director Annette Heidemolz discusses her 2019 documentary *Beauty & Decay* with historian Sara Blackey (UMass Dalhousie).

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