# PROF. TONI LÜDI **BIOGRAPHY/FILMOGRAPHY**

#### PRODUCTION DESIGN

Swiss nationality. Studied painting in London and Munich. Pupil of K. F. Dahmen at the Academy of Visual Arts. First contacts with film in 1967/68. Operated the "graphic partnership" with Anthony Powell for over three years. Main focus of work: TV design, title and TV graphic art, production design for TV programmes such as "Info Show", "Herman van Veen", "Clown & Co." for artists like Gianna Naninni and others.

Design and set decoration for approximately 100 TV shows for Bavarian Broadcasting (Bayerischer Rundfunk) and Southwest Broadcasting (Südwestfunk) in Germany. Production designer for 18 feature films.

From 1983 to 1991, chairman and executive head of the S/F/K association (professional organization for production designers, art directors and costume designers). From 1988 to 1991, member of the administrative council of the VG Bild-Kunst (association for the exploitation of visual art).

Since 1989, professor for interior design at the Technical University in Rosenheim, Germany. Lectures in "design", "spatial theory", "production design" and "film practice". Since 1991, in charge of the new "scenography" course of studies. Teaches "film analysis", "film practice" and "stage and film design". Deputy head of the "qualified propmaster" course of instruction since 1993. Lives in Munich. (February 1997)

2003 Founder member and member of the board of management of the DEUTSCHEN FILMAKADEMIE.

1976 THE AMERICAN FRIEND Feature film (Der amerikanische Freund)

> Direction: Wim Wenders Photography: Robby Müller

1977 THE SECOND AWAKENING Feature film

(Das zweite Erwachen der Christa Klages)

Direction: M.v.Trotta Production: Bioskop-Film

1978 **GERMANY IN AUTUMN** Feature film (Deutschland im Herbst)

episode Direction: Brustelin/Sinkel Production: Filmverlag der Autoren

1979 THEODOR CHINDLER Direction: H.W.Geissendörfer TV series

(8x 1 hr.)

DER PREIS FÜRS ÜBERLEBEN 1979

Feature film Direction: Hans Noever Photography: Walter Lassaly Leading actor: Michel Piccoli

1979 **IM HERZEN DES HURRICANS** Feature film Direction: Hark Bohm

Production: Hark Bohm KG

1979 PANISCHE ZEITEN

Feature film Direction: U.Lindenberg/Peter Fratscher

Production: Tura Film

1980 ENDSTATION FREIHEIT

Feature film

Direction: R.Hauff
Production: Bioskop Film

1981 THE MAGIC MOUNTAIN
Feature film (Der Zauberberg)

and 3-part

TV series

Direction: H.W.Geissendörfer

Production: Franz Seitz Film

Photography: Michael Ballhaus

1982 HEARTBREAKERS

Feature film

Direction: Peter F.Bringmann

Production: Turafilm

1982 TRAUMA

Feature film

Direction: G.Kubach

Production: Turafilm

Locations: Munich + Brittany

1983 EDITH'S DIARY

Feature film (Ediths Tagebuch)
Direction: H.W.Geissendörfer

Production: H.W.Geissendörfer

1983 OUT OF ORDER Feature film (Abwärts)

Direction: Carl Schenkel Production: Mutoskop Film

1984 FORBIDDEN

Feature film (Versteckt)

Direction: Anthony Page
Production: Clasart
Leading actors: Jacqueline Bisset

Jürgen Prochnow

1985
TV series
Various directors
Production: GFF/Geissendörfer

1986
TV series
EINE GLÜCKLICHE FAMILIE
Direction: Jörg Grünler

TV series Direction: Jörg Grünler Production: Tele Norm Film

1987 THE BEAR Feature film (L'Ours)

Direction: J.-J.Annaud
Photography: Phillipe Rousselot
Production: Renn-Film Paris

1988FILMSTADT MÜNCHEN7-partDirection: W.A.Franke

TV series Production: Helikon-Film

1991Set designDirection: Edgar Reitzfor Part 13Production: Edgar Reitz

1993/94 Commercials

Direction: E.Eikelpoth Production: Input

1995 THE DEATHMAKER
Feature film (Der Totmacher)

Direction: Romuald Karmakar Production: Thomas Schühly

1995/96 ALPHATEAM

TV series Production: Multimedia for SAT 1

1998 FRANKFURT MILLENIUM (Das Frankfurter Kreuz)

Direction: Romuald Karmakar

AWARDS

### **FEDERAL GERMAN FILM PRIZE 1982**

"Golden Film Strip"

Awarded the "Golden Film Strip" (Filmband in Gold) for outstanding individual achievement for the production design of the feature film **THE MAGIC MOUNTAIN** (Der Zauberberg), based on the novel by Thomas Mann.

PUBLICATIONS

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Why do we need production designers?

Jahrbuch Film 1979/80 Published by Carl Hanser

Report of a mountain ascent in "The Magic Mountain" (Der Zauberberg)

Published by Fischer Verlag (cinema series)

The purpose of an association S/F/K journal 1985

Notes on the situation Film + Television Design Annual 1988

The fantastic palace Professional Production 6/88

Reflections on production design rororo - Rosenheimer HochschulHefte July 1989 ISSN 0720-163X

Architecture and film DAB - Deutsches Architektenblatt 1/91

Spaces for film archithese 5/92

ISBN 3-7212-0262-7

A confusion of tongues Film + Television Design Annual 1993/94 ISBN 3-980-2777-2-0

**Production design** Professional Production 11/93 B 7700 E ISSN 0932-0393

Design scope -AIT 7/8 1994

from book to film Architektur, Innenarchitektur, Technischer Ausbau

ISSN 0173-8046

**University information - scenography** Rosenheimer HochschulHefte

July 94 ISSN 0720-163X

Production design and film Professional Production 4/96 (with Dr Kathinka Schreiber)

ISSN 0932-0393

Study course: Professional Production 5/96

**Production Design - Scenography** ISSN 0932-0393

### **REVIEWS AND MENTIONS IN THE PRESS**

Scenes from "The Magic Mountain" Architektur und Wohnen 4, 2 Dec.1981

German Film Prize 1982 Abendzeitung, 3 Apr. 1982

"Edith's Diary" Rasch Report, Oct.1983

The Set Decorator Cinema, Apr.1984

"Lindenstrasse" **WDR Print**, No.112, Aug.1985

Master-Builder of the Pictures Münchener Stadtzeitung No.2, 1986

**Professional Production 4/1988** Profession: Production Designer - Artist and

Businessman

Expressive Power of a Distorted Picture Süddeutsche Zeitung No.13 17 Jan.1989

Open-Eyed Art Series of film seminars and exhibition in Münchener Merkur 13 Jan.1989 The Making of... Workshop **Professional Production 2/1989** "The Bear": Production Report **Professional Production 3/1989** Interior Design Studies to Professional rororo - Rosenheimer HochschulHefte July 1989 Qualification The Discreet People. Die Tageszeitung, 6 July 1991 Set Decorators in the Academy of Arts, Berlin Aiming to Deceive Tagesspiegel, 23 June 1991 Dreams Come True Rosenheimer Journal, summer 1992 Radio Portrait Bayerischer Rundfunk BR 2 "Kultur nach 1", 16 July 1991 From Set Design to Motive - Studio Hamburg Journal No.11, Dec. the Look of a Film 1995 Off to the Studio Szene Hamburg No.5, 1996

# **LECTURES AND SEMINARS**

20+21 Mar.1986	Production Design Television Design International, Cologne
7 March 1988	Professional Profile and the Work of the Set Designer Television Training Center, SFB, Berlin
9+10 Dec.1989	Set Design Seminar Swiss Film Technicians' Association, Ostermundigen, Switzerland
7-11 Nov.1990	Architects of Dreams, Joint exhibition with Patrizia von Brandenstein, Anton Frust, Syd Mead, Bernard Evein, Allan Starski, Andrea Crisanti, Raphael Palmero, Felix Murcia; Festival de Cinema, Barcelona
28 Oct.1990	Workshop Report of a Production Designer Museum of Architecture/Film Museum, Frankfurt/Main
22-27 Apr.1991	Production Design: seminar on film design, screenplay analysis and extracts/visual design concepts/historical film sets/storyboards/production design for "The Magic Mountain", SFTV* ASTF Zurich DRS
21 June-	Built Illusions

7 July 1991

Summer Academy of Arts, Berlin

16 Dec.1991	Film Images Academy of Visual Arts, Munich
8 Jan.1992	Scenography Prof.Max Bächer, TU Darmstadt
13+14 Mar.1992	Scenography - a New Course of Studies University Fair, Innsbruck
28 Apr.1991	Fleeting Images: the Design of Screen Pictures School of Arts (HDK), Berlin
8 May 1991	Where do the beautiful pictures in film and TV come from? School of Design, Zurich
29 Oct.1992	On Film Scenography Academy of the Hessian Chamber of Architects Inst. of Higher Education, Wiesbaden
13 Jan.1993	From Word to Picture ETH Zurich
13 May 1993	From Word to Picture Natural Construction as in "The Bear" Film Academy of Baden-Württemberg, Ludwigsburg
28 Oct.1993	Creative Affairs: Film Sets School for Television and Film, Munich
4 Nov.1993	From an Art Director's Studio Stadtkino e.V./Institut Française/ Chamber of Architects, Mainz
24+25 June 1994	The Visualization of a Written Text Seminar with Norman Dorme (supervising art director, London) School for Television and Film, Munich
8-10 Dec.1994	Allan Starski, Academy Award Winner 1994 Seminar Production design studies course FHR and School for TV and Film, Munich
15 Dec.1994	Illusions and Images University of Kaiserslautern; part of "Architecture and Film" series
24-26 Feb.1995	From Design to Image: Time Past - the images of historical films. Reconstructing nature?  Spaces for grizzlies for the feature film "The Bear"  Plus: exhibition of students' diploma submissions Inst.for Theatre, Music Theatre and Film of the Univ.of Hamburg

24 Apr.1995	From Screenplay to Image: Production Design Visual Design in Film Plus: exhibition of students' diploma submissions
	Film Academy Baden-Württemberg, Ludwigsburg
6 July 1995	Creative Affairs: Production Design Visual Design for Film and Television School for Television and Film, Munich
11 Mar.1996	Teaching Production Design Konrad Wolff School for Film and Television, Babelsberg
9 May 1996	Film Images and their Creation SZENE-HAMBURG-FILMNACHT, Alabama Kino, Hamburg
29 Aug.1996	Workshow: TV Series alphateam Annual press conference SAT 1, Berlin
28 – 30 Oct. 1996	John Box – Seminar in Production Design Production Design Course, University of Applied Sciences, Rosenheim and Academy for Television and Film, Munich.
19 June 1997	Gripping Pictures or the Kitchen of Mrs Beimer University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Hannover
30 Nov 4 Dec. 1997	Herny Bumstead - Seminar: Production Design Production Design Course, University of Applied Sciences, Rosenheim and Academy for Television and Film, Munich.
11 March 1998	What Added-value does the Studio offer the Audience? IRT Symposium. With the Virtual Studio into the next Millenium
14 Oct. 1998	"The Power of Pictures - to make pictures" About the Design Tasks in Television and Film. Media Seminar, Munich
13 Nov 1998	Room to Play Architecture Congress, Vienna
2 - 6 July 1999	Pierre Guffroy - Seminar. The Art of European Film Design Production Design Course, University of Applied Sciences, Rosenheim, the Academy for Television and Film, Munich, and the French Institute, Munich
22 & 23 July 1999	Film Design Seminar University of Hamburg, Graduate Studies in Film
13 Sept. 1999	Room to Move- Film Design in Television Production Adolf Grimme Institute, Marl
19 Jan. 2000	"The Water Hause" - a drinking-hole in the film "Frankfurter Kreuz" (Eng. title: "Frankfurt - Millenium") Architechts' Chamber and The Community Cinema. Kiel

29 June - 1 July 2000	Ken Adam - Seminar Production Design Course, University of Applied Sciences, Rosenheim and Academy for Television and Film, Munich.
28 Nov. 2000	Room to Play - Production Design in Film Lecture, University of Applied Sciences, Kaiserslautern
2 July - 3 July 2002	Peter Lamont - Seminar Course for Production Design in Film and Television, Academy for Television and Film, Munich.
28 & 29 Nov. 2002	"Forbidden" - Seminar with Wolfgang Treu Academy for Film and Television Production, Potsdam-Babelsberg
20 December 2002	Production Design Guest Lecturer Bavarian Academy for Television, Munich
1 & 2 December 2003	Rolf Zehetbauer - Guest Star Seminar - Course for Production Design in Film and Television, Academy for Television and Film, Munich.
15 & 16 December 2003	<b>Production Design - Film Pictures</b> Seminar at the Film Academy, Ludwigsburg, Baden-Württemberg

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

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Sept.1988 Locations Joint exhibition German Film Museum, Frankfurt/Main 12-19 Jan.1989 **Workshop - Exhibition: Set Designs** Joint exhibition with Heide Lüdi Gasteig Cultural Centre, Munich 28.Sept.-**Images** 13 Oct. 1989 Joint exhibition with Rudi Endriss Swiss House, Munich 21 June-**Set Designs** 14 July 1990 with Heidi Lüdi School for Television and Film, Munich 8-24 Nov.1990 **Architects of Dreams** Joint exhibition with Patrizia von Brandenstein, Anton Frust, Syd Mead, Bernard Evein, Allan Starski, Andrea Crisanti, Raphael Palmero, Felix Murcia; Festival de Cinema, Barcelona 21 June-Film Scenography 17 July 1991 Joint exhibition with Ken Adam, Henri Bumstead, Andrea Crisanti, John Ebden, Thierry Flamand, Alfred Hirschmeier, Peter Lamont, Heidi Lüdi, Toni Lüdi, Felix Murcia, Raphael Palmero, Thomas Riccabona, Jan Schlubach, Allan Starski; Academy of Arts, Berlin 19 Dec.1991-**Farewell to Yesterday** 12 Apr.1992 Film in the Federal Republic of Germany in the 60s and 70s Joint exhibition - production design exhibits German Film Museum, Frankfurt/Main