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# STEVEN SPIELBERG

THE "NEW HOLLYWOOD" PRODIGY

Directed by Michaël Prazan | Produced by Ellis Films & a\_BAHN



Director: **Michaël Prazan**

Producers: **ARTE GEIE, ELLIS FILMS, A-BAHN**

Year: **2025**

## SYNOPSIS

Is Spielberg too famous to ever be truly understood? This documentary seeks to understand who is the man behind the filmmaker- one who is as private as he is legendary, by using a wealth of archival footage, iconic scenes from his films, behind-the-scenes material and comments he made during the many interviews he gave throughout his impressive career. It gives the keys to both understanding his genius and his filmography.

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# DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

Steven Spielberg has shaped the imagination of an entire generation, including my own. His early films—*Raiders of the Lost Ark*, *E.T.*—were cultural events, while later works like *Schindler's List* and *Saving Private Ryan* revealed a deeper, more mature artistic voice. Unlike George Lucas, whose career became dominated by the *Star Wars* universe, Spielberg has continually reinvented himself, moving between genres while pursuing personal themes.

Marked by a complex childhood—his Jewish roots, life in American suburbs, and his parents' divorce—Spielberg did not initially place these experiences at the heart of his films, yet they quietly permeate his entire body of work. His biography and filmography are inseparable.

This documentary explores Spielberg not through an exhaustive, film-by-film approach, but through the recurring obsessions that shaped his creative path. His life and work will be examined through three central themes: childhood, America, and the Holocaust.



Steven Spielberg on the set of *Jaws*, 1975





Steven Spielberg and the Jaws theatrical release poster, 1975



Schlinder's List, 1993



The Color Purple, 1985

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"An original doc on the pope of fiction"



"This Spielberg doco is centred around the director's childhood, America, and the Holocaust."



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Réalisation [Michaël Prazan](#)

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