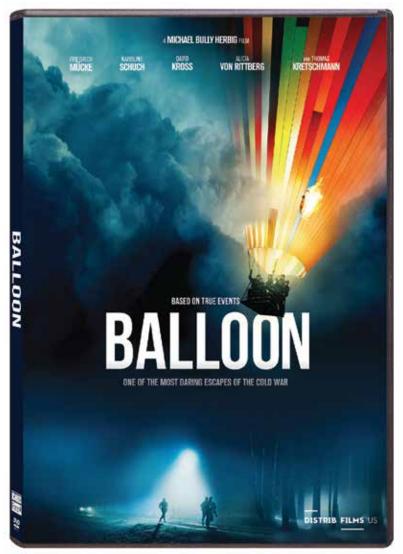
NEW FROM DISTRIB FILMS US

"A NERVE-WINCHER, A CACKLING GOOD ESCAPE THRILLER!"

- NATIONAL REVIEW



BASED ON TRUE EVENTS OF THE FAMOUS "EAST GERMAN BALLOON ESCAPE"





DIRECTOR'S CHOICE AWARD BEST INTERNATIONAL FILM SEDONA INTERNATIONAL

BALLOON

A film by Michael Bully Herbig • From Distrib Films • An Icarus Films Release 2019 • 125 min • Color • in German with English subtitles • Not Rated

SRP: \$26.98 • UPC # 8-54565-00320-0

"(THE FILMMAKERS) PROVE TO BE ESPECIALLY ADEPT AT CONTRIVING SITUATIONS WHERE ANYTHING ANYONE DOES CAUSES FEAR, ANXIETY, STRESS AND WORRY, LEAVING EVERYONE, VERY MUCH INCLUDING THE AUDIENCE, EXISTING ON THE KNIFE'S EDGE OF UNREMITTING TENSION."

- LOS ANGELES TIMES



"AS SPELLBINDING, TAUT AND POIGNANT AS *THE LIVES OF* OTHERS. IT WILL MAKE YOU STAND UP AND CHEER!" - NYC MOVIE GURU

The incredible and gripping true story of one of the most spectacular and audacious escapes of the 20th Century!

In the summer of 1979, following years careful of planning, two East German families attempt the impossible. In a makeshift hot-air balloon, the group risk their lives and fly the rickety craft towards West Germany with hopes of freedom and a better life. Unfortunately, the balloon crash-lands just before they reach the West German border and the Stasi soon discover evidence of the attempted escape. In a nervewracking race against the clock, the two families must now rush to build a new escape balloon before the notorious Stasi can catch them.

DISTRIB FILMS US

Established in 2013, Distrib Films brings the latest French and European movies to the US.