

# SYNOPSIS



## When the mask falls

### Zwischen Rampenlicht und Rotlicht

A highly personal documentary film as a declaration of love to Vienna's night life. From the current understanding of social acceptability, morality and entertainment, the viewer travels back to the heyday of Variety and Cabaret and draws an arc to the present day. "When the Mask Falls" tells of the glitz and glamour that once shaped the stages of night-time Vienna, the capital of Austria, and documents how over the decades new, sadly all-too-vulgar trends became accepted. The documentary also tells the life story of Chris and Ernestine Kirdall. As the "Kirdall Duo" they were key figures in the Austrian Variety world and experienced the changes over time in this form of entertainment.

**Year:** 2014

**Run-Time:** 1 x 53 min.

**Directed by** Karoline T. Heflin

**Written by** Alice Karasek / Karoline T. Heflin

**A co-production by ORF and Le Groupe Soleil Film & Multimediaproduktion GmbH**

Available for Europe only.

**Languages:** German (ORIGINAL) , German (DUBBED)

**Format:** 16:9

**HD** **UT**

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