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TRAP

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TRAP (PAST)

The film tells the story of the powerlessness of political prisoners in the 1950s and the brutality used to force false confessions. It describes not only the fates of the incarcerated, but also of their loved ones, who suffered harassment and intimidation. It also depicts the pervasive atmosphere of suspicion that was taking its toll on society. The main character is one of the best Czech actresses of the second half of the 1930s and the 1940s, Jiřina Štěpničková, whom the State Security set their sights on in the early 1950s as another of their victims. They led the actress into a trap, provoking her to attempt to flee to the West and then arresting her at the border. After a two-day trial, she was sentenced to fifteen years in prison. Despite her adverse fate, she never gave up and manged to successfully revive her beloved theatre and film career.

Directed by: Viktor Polesný
Screenplay by: Viktor Polesný
Director of Photography: David Ployhar
Editor: Lenka Polesná
Sound: Miroslav Hřebejk
Music: Zdenek Merta
Costume Designer: Jitka Matyášková
Art Designer: Petr Foť
Producer: Czech Television

Starring:
Zuzana Stivínová,
Adam Vojtek,
Štěpán Gajdošík,
Igor Orozovič,
Jitka Ježková,
Prokop Koleňák,
Kristýna Frejová,
Lenka Zahradnická
and others

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