

# SYNOPSIS



## Hans Hass - The Man Who Discovered the Sea

### Hans Hass - Der Mann, der das Meer entdeckte

For hundreds of thousands of divers and underwater specialists throughout the world the name Hans Hass is synonymous with everything that takes place under the ocean waves.

Hans Hass is the godfather of underwater cinematography and with his photos and films he showed the wonders of the sea to the people above - long before Jacques-Yves Cousteau.

He developed diving devices like the first hand-held underwater camera and was the first man ever to move free and weightless with a breathing apparatus in the ocean - a fish among fishes.

This documentary includes original footage from the historically unique archive of Hans Hass, whose films reached worldwide attention and won numerous prizes.

Let Hans Hass take you on a journey with his yacht «Xarifa» and experience once again the great moments of mankind, when the ocean lost its terror and turned into the magic world which is so familiar to us today.

**Year:** 1999

**Run-Time:** 1 x 50 min.

**Directed by** Manfred Christ, Harald Pokieser

**Written by** Manfred Christ, Harald Pokieser

**A co-production of Telcast International, Cosmos Factory and ORF**

Available worldwide except for German speaking Territories

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

**Format:** 16:9 , 16:9

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