

A Different Evening
International Film Club at Ahmedabad University
(In Memory of Prof. Niranjana Bhagat)

Date: August 26, 2022, Friday.

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Venue: Ahmedabad University Auditorium,
GICT Building, Near M G Science College.



Name of the Film: Denial

(Based on the book "History on Trial" by Deborah Lipstadt)

Date of Release: October 21, 2016.

Director: Mick Jackson (Primetime Emmy Winner + Other 12 Awards + 12 Nominations)

Cinematography: Haris Zambarloukos (2 International Awards + 16 Nominations)

Music: Howard Shore (Won 3 Oscars + Other 88 Awards + 115 Nominations)

Genre: Biography, True Story, Drama.

Duration: 1 Hour 49 Minutes

Awards: (Nominated for BAFTA Award + 7 Nominations)

Also known as: Verleugnung (in Germany)

Actors:

Rachel Weisz (Oscar Winner + Other 44 Awards + 93 Nominations)

Tom Wilkinson (2 Oscar Nominations + Other 25 Awards + 73 Nominations)

Timothy Spall (2 BAFTA Nominations + Other 21 Awards + 33 Nominations)

Audio Language: English Subtitles: English

Colour: Colour

Aspect Ratio: 16:9 High Definition (720p)

About the film:

Based on the internationally acclaimed book "History on Trial: My Day in Court with a Holocaust Denier," the film recounts Deborah E. Lipstadt's legal battle for historical truth against David Irving, who accused her of libel when she declared him a Holocaust denier. In the English legal system in the matter of Defamation, the burden of proof is on the accused, therefore it was up to Lipstadt and her legal team to prove the essential truth that the Holocaust did occur.

Trivia about the Film:

All the dialogues in the courtroom scenes are taken verbatim from the trial records.

Rachel Weisz and a small film crew were given permission to film at Auschwitz Birkenau, the Nazi death camp in Poland where almost one million Jews died.

Although the case was filed in 1996, it did not get to trial until the early months of 2000; the verdict was announced in April of that year. In scenes where Deborah is jogging through London, one can see the London Eye in the background. The London Eye was finished in 1999.

The internal court scenes were filmed at County Hall in Kingston Upon Thames England.

The real Deborah Lipstadt was amused by how much more glamorous than her Rachel Weisz is in the film: "I dressed nicely for the trial, but I am not elegant: I am a professor!" Nonetheless the scarves Weisz wears were loaned to her by Lipstadt.

Tagline:

Talking about Holocaust is like having shit on your shoe. You wipe it off, rather than studying it. – Anthony Julius (International Holocaust Researcher)