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Over the past three decades, Amanda Rubin has directed and produced documentaries on cultural history, music, the arts, and science. These have been featured on BBC, Channel 4, The History Channel, and Discovery+, among other notable channels. Relevant recent work includes:



- *21st Century Mythologies* (Director/Producer), which unpacks the 1957 book “Mythologies” by French philosopher Roland Barthes, laying bare the mythmaking at the heart of consumer culture.
- *Qatar- Inside the Pearl* (Producer), which travels to the heart of the world’s richest country to reveal an ambitious story of obsessive collecting, cultural curation, and nation-building by the once Bedouin and pearl-diving ruling families.



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Amanda Rubin is currently developing a new film, ***The Third Reich of Dreams***, with Snowstorm Productions. This animated drama tells the story of **Charlotte Beradt** (1907-1986), a Berlin-based journalist who collected the dreams of her Jewish and non-Jewish friends and neighbours during Hitler’s rise to power. At significant personal risks, Charlotte smuggled these nocturnal diaries, written in code, out of Germany.

It was not until the 1960s, while living in New York, that Charlotte revisited the dream diaries and published her book “The Third Reich of Dreams”, in which she explored common symbols, themes, and even warnings that had appeared in the collective unconscious of a traumatised nation.

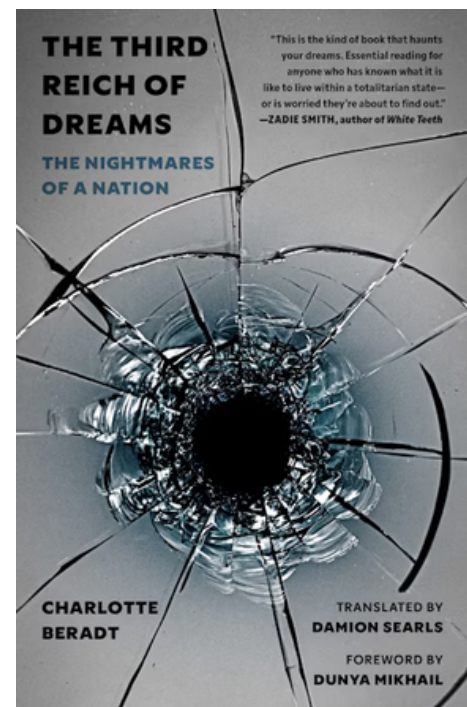
Charlotte’s dream anthology was out of print for over forty years until Amanda Rubin discovered and acquired the ‘lost’ English language rights. It is thanks to her tenacity and vision that “The Third Reich of Dreams” was once again published in English in April 2025 by [Princeton University Press](#) to excellent [reviews](#).

A BOOK FOR OUR TIME

Going beyond any history of the Holocaust, “The Third Reich of Dreams” is a powerful, universal lesson about the conditions for fascism to take hold, about life under a totalitarian regime, and exile and displacement.

It is also a template for using a nation’s dreams to understand the current socio-political landscape.

Charlotte’s epic journey may be almost a 100 years old, but it is urgently and increasingly relevant today.



SPEAKING TOUR 2025-2026

Based in London, Amanda Rubin is on tour to share the back story and the importance of “The Third Reich of Dreams”. In addition to working on a film about Charlotte Beradt, which will come out in 2026, a radio documentary for BBC 4 has also been commissioned on the role of psychotherapy and analysis under National Socialism.

Ensuring this book resonates with a modern audience, Amanda will be exploring history, politics, human rights, psychology, psychoanalysis, and cultural trauma, focusing on:

- **Charlotte’s pioneering work** in documenting ongoing historical events through dreams, framing her work with that of other emerging practitioners like Freud.
- How this record of dreams provides a **unique and compelling insight into the human psyche**, and how today’s psychologists can use this information.
- Exploring the **recording of dreams as a method to shed light on ongoing conflicts and socio-political shifts**, and better understand their impacts.



Amanda Rubin is available for speaking engagements and interviews. Please get in touch with **Robin Heller**, President of The Athena Advisors, which provides literary public relations through Athena Advance:



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