

## A Demonstration following the Attempted Assassination of Rudi Dutschke (April 1968)

### Abstract

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On April 11, 1968, Josef Bachmann, a 23-year-old unskilled laborer and member of a right-wing political party, approached Rudi Dutschke on West Berlin's Kurfürstendamm and, after confirming his identity, shot him three times in the head and chest. Dutschke suffered life-threatening brain injuries and barely survived. After the assassination attempt, which took place on Holy Thursday, demonstrators came together in Frankfurt's Römerberg Square for a so-called Easter March in support of peace. The pre-planned demonstration took on additional meaning in the wake of the attack. Photo by Abisag Tüllmann.

### Source

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Source: After the assassination attempt on Rudi Dutschke: Easter marchers on Römerberg on Easter Sunday. Note on the back in photographer's own handwriting: Römer, Ostermarschierer, April 1968. Photo: Abisag Tüllmann.

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