

The Conductor



Famed conductor Herbert von Karajan was so dedicated to perfecting his craft that during the early 1960s he could often be found wielding his baton as a nighttime traffic cop on Potsdamer Platz in central Berlin. His brisk tempos, however, led to one calamitous vehicular incident after another, and the Berliner Landespolizei finally had to boot him off the force.