Thomas Blatt: The Sobibor Uprising
What made Nazi Germany’s genocide possible?
How was power exercised within the extermination camps?
- Film “Escape from Sobibor” tomorrow (Friday), noon, MCC theater

Sobibor & Antiquarian History

Sobibor today
- Tower reconstructed for film
- 1987 memorial

Sobibor: Causes of Genocide
- Economic: scapegoating for 1923/29, greed
  - Germany: structural & pers. // Poland: personal
- International:
  - control of territory (by controlling people)
- Elites/Leaders:
  - decide to use violence to propagate ideology
- Ideology: nationalism, racial superiority
  - ethnic purity; eugenics & “race science” / state 1st
- People (not Opposition, but followers)
  - the ones who believe and carry out