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Foreign Rights List
Autumn 2016

Picture Books



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Paul Maar, ill. By Helga Bansch
Greta and the magic stones



Paul Maar, born 1937 in Schweinfurt, is one of the best-known German authors for children's books. His books have received numerous prizes and have been translated into more than 30 languages.

Helga Bansch, born 1957 in Leoben, is working as a freelance artist and lives in Vienna and Southern Styria. The author and illustrator has received numerous awards and is now an international reputable.

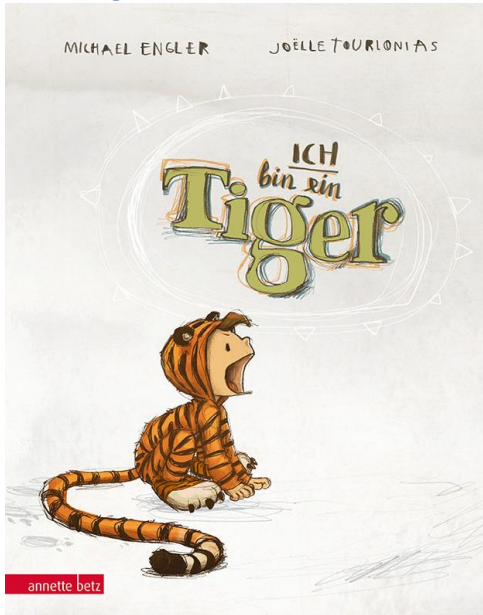
5 years and up
 40 full colour pages
 Publication date: July 2016
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A fabulous story about the longing of a little girl to see her father again

Little Greta lives in a village near the ocean together with her mother and the dog Karo. Her father sailed away many years ago to find his fortune in the goldlands. He never came back and since then the family lives under very poor conditions.

One day an old woman comes by and asks for some milk. Greta gives her a glass and in return she gets a stone and the advice to go to the ocean to find her father. Together with her dog Karo Greta leaves her home to find the missing father...

Michael Engler, ill. by Joëlle Tourlonias
I am a tiger



Michael Engler is a writer and a playwright for theater and radio. His children's books have been translated into several languages and are popular around the world.

Joëlle Tourlonias has been a freelance artist since 2009 and has published a variety of children's books.

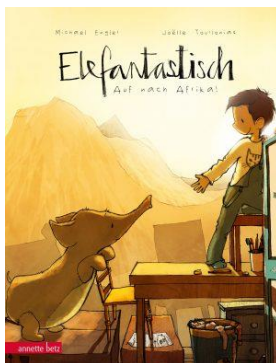
3 years and up
 32 full colour pages
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A wild Tiger Day

A little boy, sorry, a little tiger of course, shows us, what he does all day long: how he wakes up in his sleeping place, what he eats for breakfast at his deeryard. Everything, what little tigers experience during the day, if they are well rested, hungry, thirsty or adventurous. But in the evening even the wildest tiger feels very lucky, when he can crawl into Mums and Dads bed and becomes a little cuddly tiger

The Elephantastic-Series of this duo:

Elephantastic



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Elephantastic Adventures



Rights sold to: Russia, Romania, China

Elephantastic Journey



Rights sold to: China

Jutta Treiber
Ill. by Lena C. Hesse
The scaredy-dragon



5 years and up
32 full colour pages
Publication date: August 2016
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Shall dragons always be brave?

“I don’t like spitting fire!”, says the little dragon Panixus. He also does not want to fight with the other dragons. In fact, he would love to play the piano – which makes his father Tyrannofauchus quite angry: What is he supposed to do with such a scaredy-dragon? But then Panixus shows the dragons what he is made of...

Jutta Treiber studied German and English, worked as a teacher and ran a cinema. Since 1988 she is also a freelance author and has won several awards. Her books are translated into 23 languages.

Lena C. Hesse studied Design in Munster and Valencia. She lives in Berlin and works as a freelance illustrator and author for publishing houses and advertising agencies.

Susanne Riha

Let's have a walk through the forest!



Susanne Riha has been illustrating and writing children's book since 1980. Her books have been published in several languages and have received awards in Austria and abroad.

4 years and up

48 full colour pages

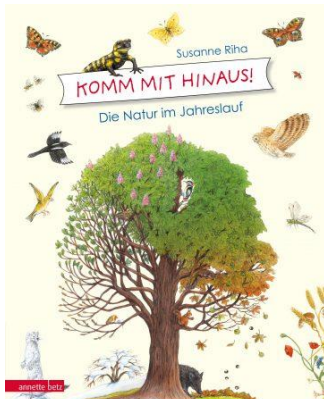
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This book follows the four seasons, starting in spring. Every season starts with a spread showing the same forest glade and describing how it changes during the year.

Every month has two pages where several birds, mammals, insects and plants are described and explained. Additionally every page has a little column titled "We save the forest".

Previous titles of Susanne Riha:



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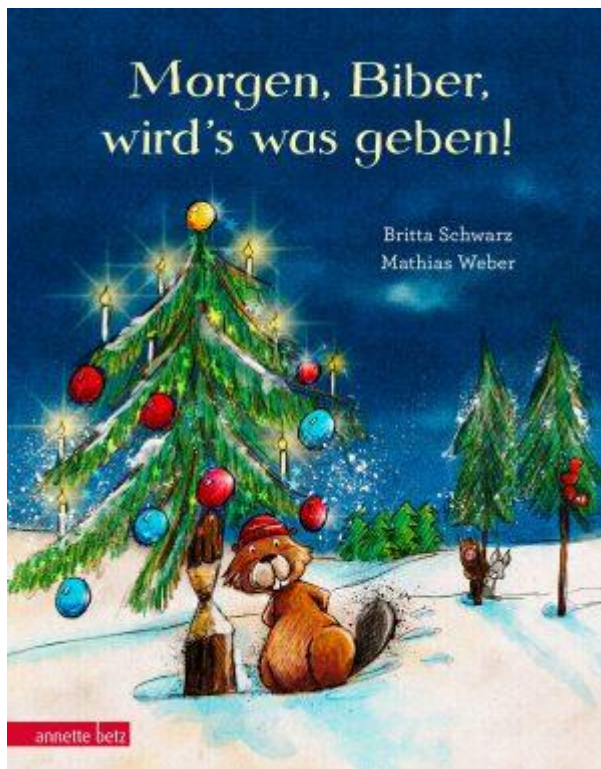


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Britta Schwarz

Ill. by Mathias Weber:

Beaver's Christmas



4 years and up

32 full colour pages

Publication date: September 2016

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Beaver is busy, very busy. There is no time left to chop down a Christmas tree, no time for ice-skating, no time to manufacture any Christmas decoration. The other animals of the forest are worried about Beaver. But Christmas eve is coming closer and closer, so they decide to change Beaver's mind on Christmas. But what is that? Suddenly invitations are coming – from Christmas grump Beaver: He organized a great Christmas party. No wonder he had no time for anything else! Merry Christmas!

Britta Schwarz was born in 1966 in Auetal, where she is still living today together with her family and six cats. Since 1999 she has published a dozen children's books.

Mathias Weber, born in 1967, is a freelance illustrator and graphic designer. He is living with his wife and two daughters in Ladenburg near Heidelberg.

Heinz Janisch

Ill. by Marion Goedelt

On velvet paws



5 years and up

96 full colour pages

Publication date: September 2016

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Heinz Janisch studied German studies and journalism in Vienna. Since 1982 he is working as a freelance journalist for ORF radio and creates radio shows. Janisch writes books for children as well as for adults. He has already received various literary awards for literature.

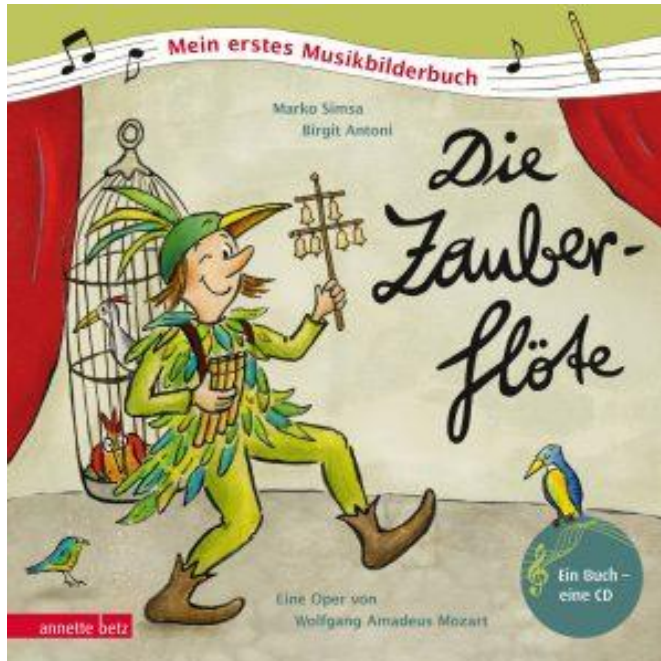
Marion Goedelt was born in 1973. She studied illustration in Hamburg. Since 2001 she is living in Berlin and illustrates children's books and school books.

Where did the cats learn how to purr? Why do cats and dogs not like each other? Heinz Janisch gives some answers with these beautiful stories and poems about cats and kittens from all over the world. A book not just for cat friends.

Marko Simsa

Ill. by Birgit Antoni

The magic flute – An opera of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart



3 years and up
 24 full colour pages
 With Audio CD
 Publication date: July 2016
All rights available

Rise the curtains for “The magic flute”!

Marko Simsa introduces the bird catcher Papageno, the queen of the night with her high voice, the sun king Sarastro and the proud prince Tamino who is looking for his beautiful Tamina. You can read and see the most important scenes of this opera and listen to the astonishing music.

Musical picture book for the youngest audience from age 3 up.

Narrated by bestselling author Marko Simsa, evocatively illustrated by Birgit Antoni.

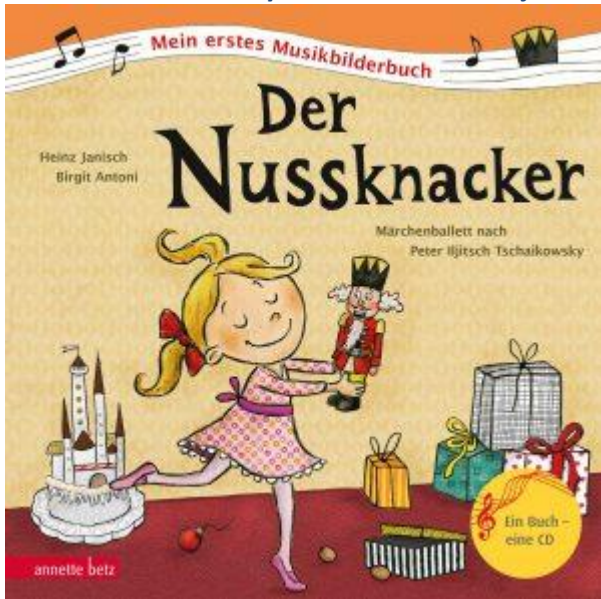
Marko Simsa has brought concerts and plays for kids on stage for 25 years. His venues include the Vienna Concerthall, the Salzburg Music Festival, and the Wiesbaden Theater. His award-winning books have been translated into 12 languages. www.markosimsa.at

Birgit Antoni illustrates picture books for a wide variety of publishers. Her extraordinary books are frequently translated and highly reviewed.

Heinz Janisch

Ill. by Birgit Antoni

The Nutcracker – Fairy ballet after Peter Illjitsch Tschaikowsky



Heinz Janisch writes books for children and adults. He has earned many literary honors for his work.

3 years and up

24 full colour pages

With Audio CD

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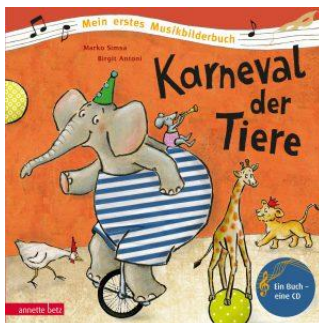
Marie and her brother Fritz are waiting for their uncle Drosselmeier to come around with the Christmas presents. When he finally arrives, Marie gets a special gift: a Nutcracker. After having gone to bed, Marie dreams of the Nutcracker. Reality and dream mix and suddenly they fight together against the evil mice king.

Musical picture book for the youngest audience from age 3 up.

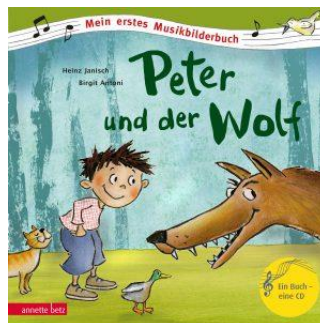
Narrated by bestselling author Heinz Janisch, evocatively illustrated by Birgit Antoni.

Previous books of this series:

Carnival of the Animals



Peter and the Wolfe



Doris Eisenburger

The Moonlight Sonata – A story based on Ludwig van Beethoven’s piano sonata



5 years and up

32 full colour pages

With Audio CD

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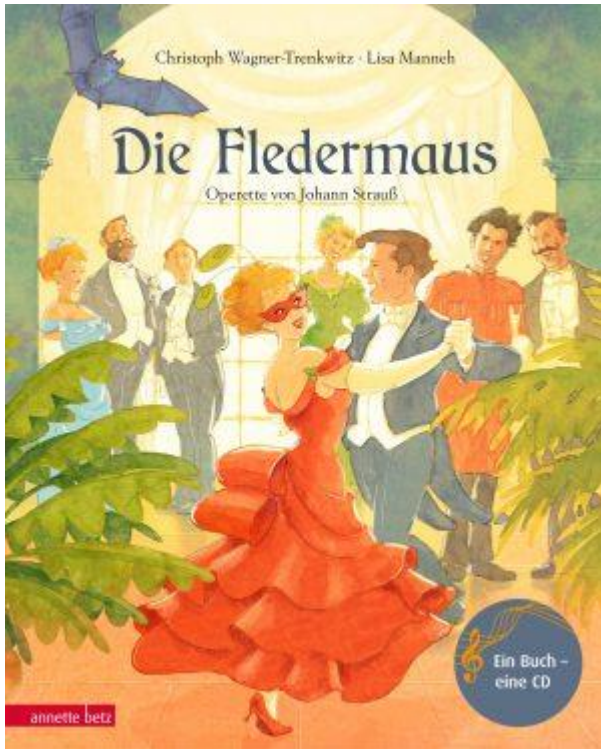
When the moon rises, all the meadow’s inhabitants gather together, because Luigi, the famous pianist and cockchafer, will play for them. The Mouse family, Mister Mole, the Toad couple and many more take a seat before the concert begins. As soon as the music starts, everything else is forgotten. The fairies are dancing, the moths are flying around. Suddenly Luigi is playing vivaciously and the wind starts blowing. The audience whirls through the air while the music is still playing. A really unforgettable concert!

Doris Eisenburger visited the Advanced Technical College for Communication Design in Munich to study illustration. For over 20 years, she has devoted herself to watercolor painting and has already illustrated 15 musical picture books. www.eisenburger-illus.de

Christoph Wagner-Trenkwitz

Ill. by Lisa Manneh

The Bat – An Operetta of Johann Strauß



32 full colour pages

With Audio CD

Publication date: August 2016

5 years and up

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The Queen of Operetta

The operetta “The Bat” was first performed in 1874 and is today one of the most played pieces of this genre. It tells the story of Gabriel Eisenstein, who is supposed to go to jail for insulting an official, but instead of doing that he is taking part in a glittering ball under a false name. His masked wife as “Hungarian Countess” and the prison’s director as “Chevalier” are attending the ball, too. All of them become entangled in lies and false identities – exactly like Dr. Falke had planned. He is the Bat, he engineered the whole plot to take revenge on Eisenstein. The next day the showdown of the story takes place in the prison.

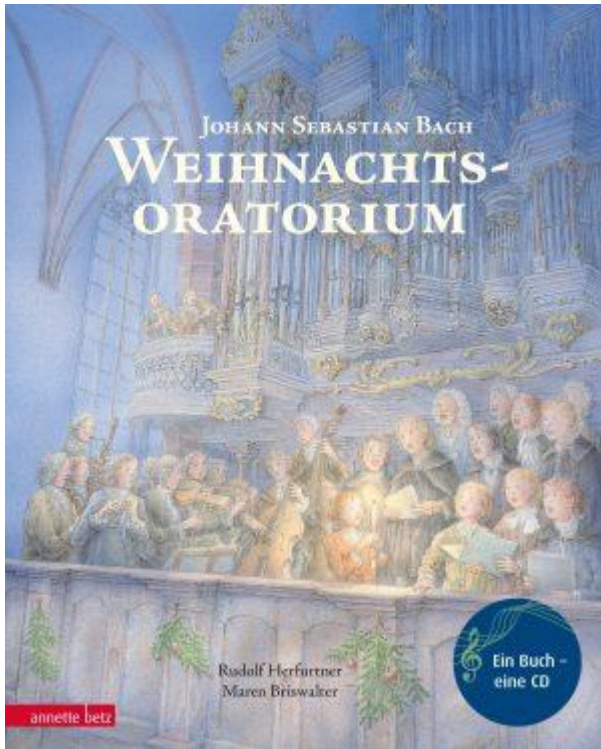
Christoph Wagner-Trenkwitz, head dramaturge at the Volksoper Wien, works as a moderator on international stages, on the radio and on TV. Since many years he has been commentator of the Wiener Opernball and since 2013 he is the intendant of the theatre summer Haag.

Lisa Manneh was born in Vorarlberg and studied in Wien. She illustrated non-fiction books and magazines until her first picture book was published in 2009. Since then she has illustrated over twenty picture and children’s books.

Rudolf Herfurtner

Ill. by Maren Briswalter

The Christmas Oratorio by Johann Sebastian Bach



6 years and up

32 full colour pages

With Audio CD

Publication date: September 2016

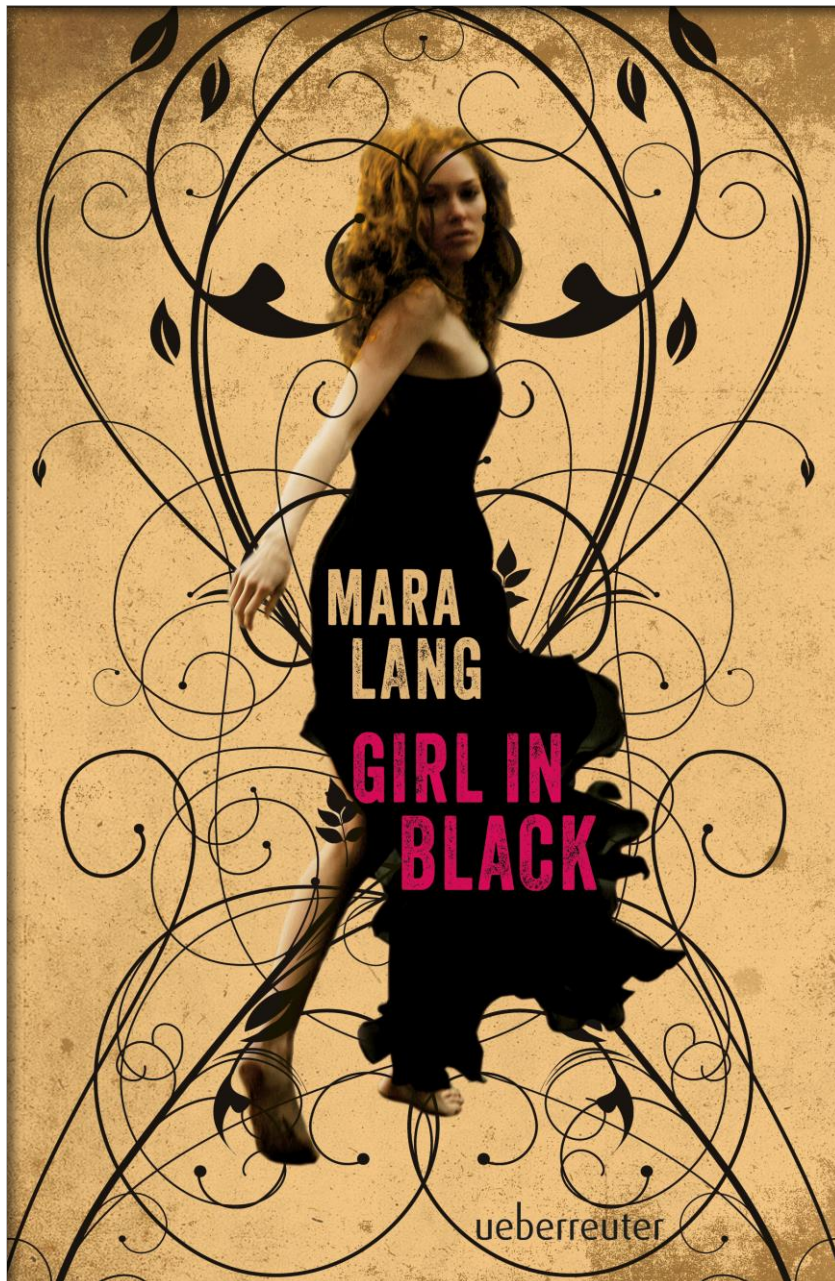
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The snow is covering the roofs and the silent pre-Christmas time is disturbed by hectic noises: A group of Thomaner is walking through the streets of Leipzig to attend their choir practice. Their new cantor Johann Sebastian Bach wants to show his new Oratorio on Christmas. The little boy Thomas Trost watches them longingly: he would love to be part of the choir. When the tenor Christian invites him, to be the candle boy during the recital, his dream comes true: he can take part, when the famous Thomaner Choir retells the Christmas story in jubilant sonorities!

Rudolf Herfurtner has written children's books, stage plays, radio plays, screenplays and opera librettos since 1973. He has received numerous awards, including the Grand Prize of the Academy of Children's and Youth Literature for his complete works.

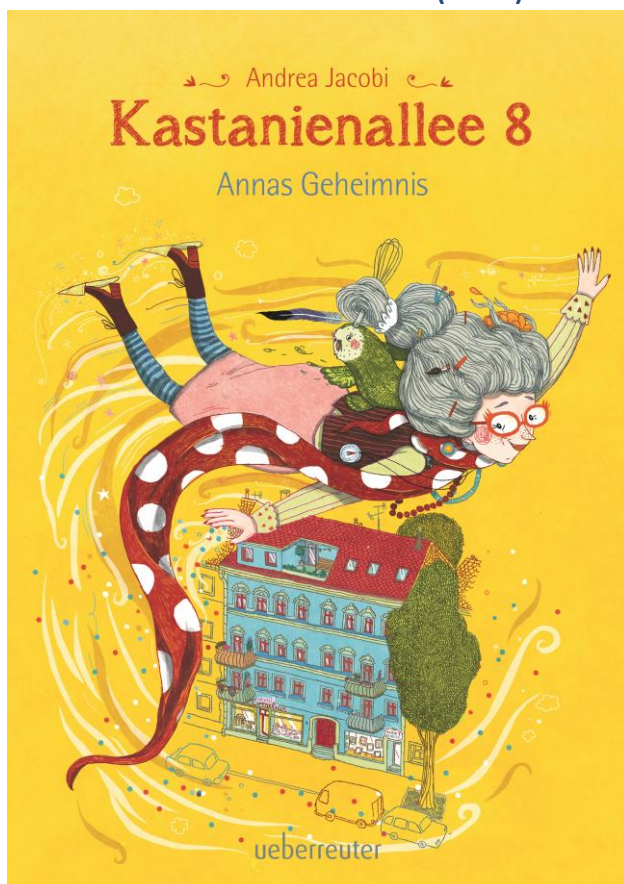
Maren Briswalter studied in Dresden and Offenbach. She draw picture stories for TV, e.g. for "Die Sendung mit der Maus", and she has illustrated many children' and picture books.

Children`s Books and Young Adult Books



Andrea Jacobi
Illustrations by Lars Baus

Chestnut Avenue 8 – Anna’s secret (Vol. 1)



7 years and up
 128 pages
 Publication date: July 2016
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Welcome to Chestnut Avenue 8!

There are four girls living in Chestnut Avenue 8, each one with their family. They are friends and share a secret: the magical lady Papay visits them from time to time to help them with their problems. Papay does not live in the apartment house in Chestnut Avenue, but nevertheless she always knows when one of the girls is in trouble: whenever that happens, her house is disordered and her pig Trudel cannot stop complaining about it. Papay needs to find a solution for the girls soon to bring her house back into order!

In this first episode of the new series “Chestnut Avenue 8” Anna and her younger twin siblings Max and Moritz have to share their birthday. Their parents plan a big party, but Anna is not happy. She doesn’t want to celebrate her birthday with her brothers. No way!

But then Anna dreams of an old lady named Papay with her funny animals. She promises to find a solution and gives her some confetti. Next morning Anna finds the confetti in her room and wonders: was it more than just a dream? Is Papay real? And will there be a solution for her birthday problem?

Andrea Jacobi studied art history, organized art exhibitions and sold art for many, many years.

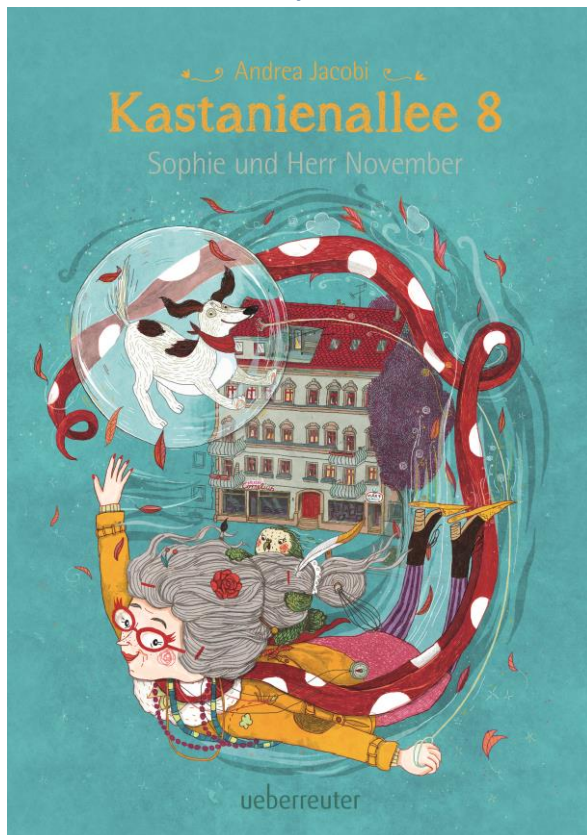
When her son was born, she started to tell stories about Papaya Pitunella Pirelli, nicknamed Papay.

Today, almost 18 years later, she finally managed to write these stories down, so that not only her son, but everyone can enjoy them.

Andrea Jacobi

Illustrations by Lars Baus

Chestnut Avenue 8 – Sophie and Mr. November (Vol. 2)



7 years and up

128 pages

Publication date: October 2016

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The second episode of “Chestnut Avenue 8” deals with Sophie and her desire for a dog. Since she is the only girl in the house without siblings, she often feels alone. But one day the cute Mr. November strays into her life. Unfortunately Sophie’s mother does not want to have a dog. So Papay visits Sophie in her sleep... Together they can figure out a solution.

Andreas Hüging:

Jem hört die Sharks Coughing

The most criminal Cure Story ever



10 years and up

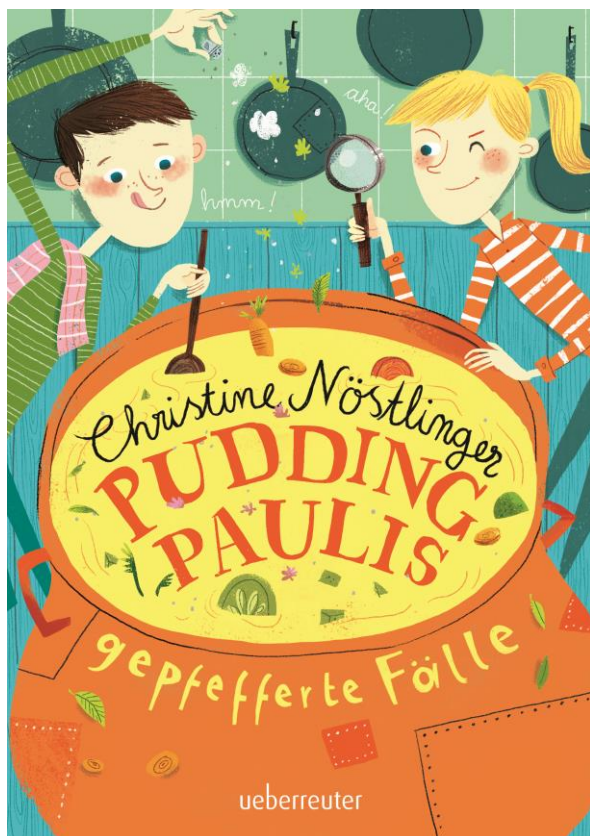
192 pages

Publication date: June 2016

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Jem does not really want to spend his vacations in a rehab clinic. As an asthmatic he feels kind of “normal” with all those other regular guests – so he keeps his distance. His stay at the island is boring, nothing really happens – until one day they spot a shark in the North Sea. Jem suspects that there is more behind this shark than everyone thinks. Together with Cäci and Spasti he will discover the truth about the shark.

**Christine Nöstlinger:
 Pudding-Paulis Peppered Cases**



10 years and up

304 pages

Publication date: July 2016

Rights sold to: Italy, Turkey, China (Vol. 1&2)
 Slovenia, Spain, Taiwan (Vol. 1)

Christine Nöstlinger studied in Vienna before she started to write. Since 1970 she published more than a hundred children's and young adult's books. Most of them have been translated in many languages and have become Classics. Apart from many other prizes she was also the first author to win the Astrid-Lindgren-Memorial-Award.

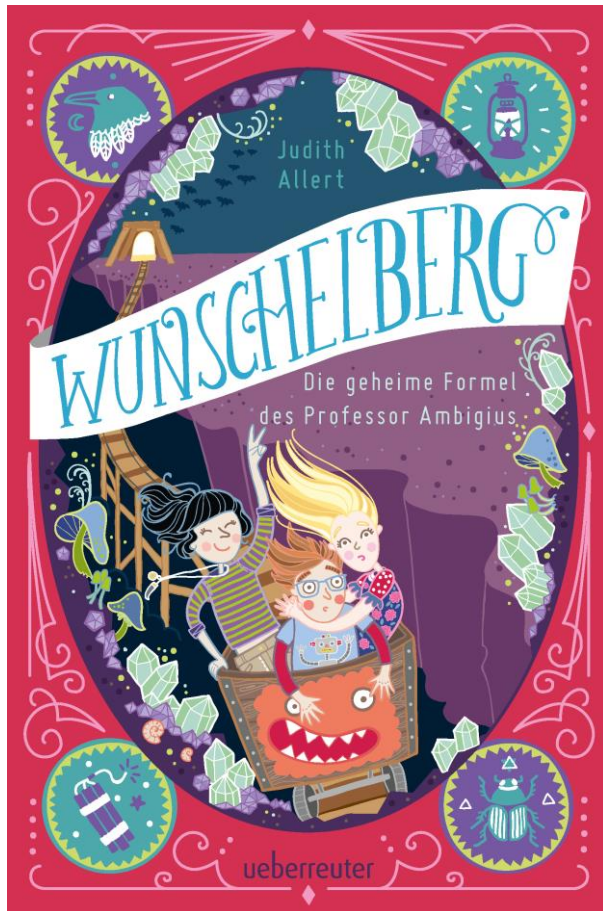
Pudding- Pauli is an extraordinary eleven year old boy: he knows how to cook the most delicious meals and how to solve the trickiest cases like a real master detective! Lea, a girl of his class, thinks that her little jewel, a heart of gold, has been stolen. Pauli and his best friend Rosi have to solve this difficult case together. Pauli and Rosi, the two main characters of the story, are two funny surprising young boys who get involved in a highly amusing adventure topped with good taste for eating and a lot of recipes!

Pudding-Pauli and Rosi solve their second detective case

This time, the amateur detective and keen cook Pauli and his best friend Rosi are puzzled by a series of "dognapping" cases. Somebody is stealing little dogs in their neighborhood and blackmailing the owners, who are all old ladies. After having paid quite a lot of money the dogs will turn up again. The messages of the blackmailer are all signed with "The Big Sorcerer". Soon Pauli and Rosi will find themselves solving this tricky case struggling against a bad cold and keeping up with their kitchen routine.

Judith Allert

Whish Mountain – The secret notation of Professor Ambigus (Vol. 2)



10 years and up

192 pages

Publication date: August 2016

All rights available

Judith Allert started publishing books while studying. She lives as a freelance author and vegetarian woman together with her husband, dogs, cats, horses and pigs in a farm in a little village.

The mayor of the village wants to get rid of the people of Whish Mountain... to build a wellness hotel. Emma, Mo and Jule want to stop this pain in the neck. Fortunately, aunt Silvie develops a new sweet: a magic praline is exactly what the mayor needs...

Previous titles in this series:

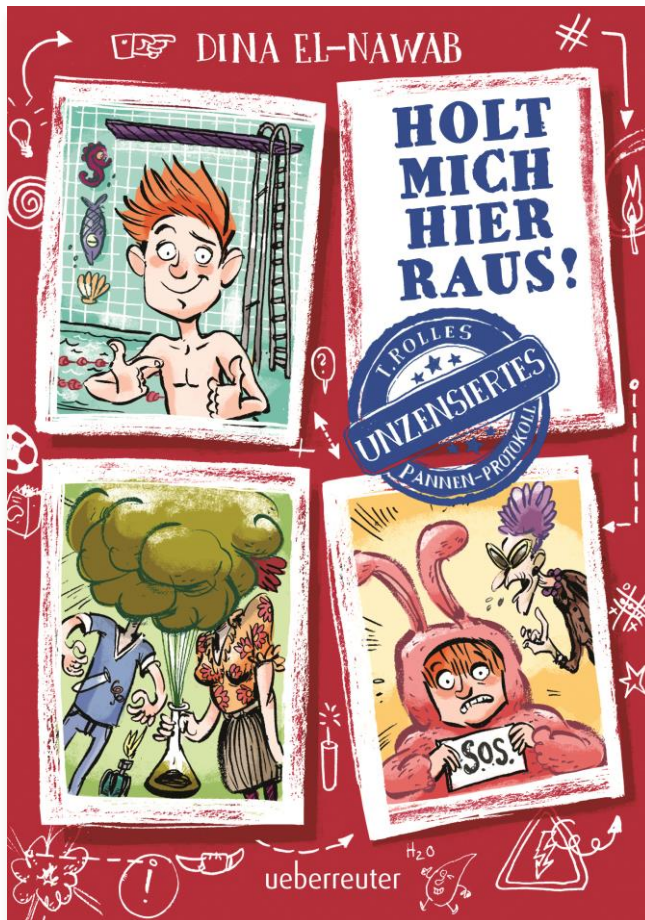


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Welcome to Whish Mountain! (Vol. 1)

Emma, Moa and Jule get to know each other while their parents take part in a strange meeting at Whish Mountain. Together they discover the truth about this enchanted place.

Dina El-Nawab
Get me out of here!
The wholly uncensored protocol of T. Rolle

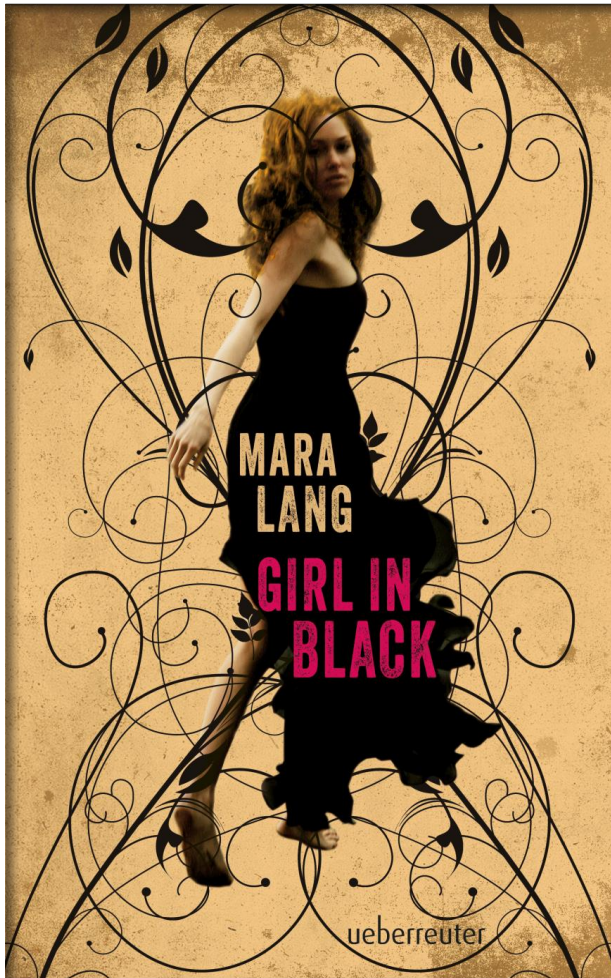


Dina El-Nawab has been telling stories for many years. She is the screenplay writer for crime series such as “Großstadtrevier” or “Morden im Norden”. Now she also tells stories for children!

10 years and up
 240 pages
 Publication date: August 2016
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Tobias is 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ years old, he likes sports and going to school, where he can always have a good time with his friends. But one day an accident occurs in the chemistry lesson: suddenly, Tobias finds himself in the body of Ms. Lunte, the teacher, and Ms. Lunte walks around the school as Tobias. What a mess! And what’s worse... Ms. Lunte actually likes being Tobias! So it will be hard to convince her to switch the bodies back...

Mara Lang
Girl in Black



14 years and up

400 pages

Publication date: August 2016

All rights available

Mara Lang started writing in her youth, when she realized she had already read all the books she had. She couldn't decide whether to be a film director or a writer – but fortunately she finally became an author and wrote this amazing book!

Lia is nineteen; she is interested in fashion and has a very distinguished talent as a designer. But she also has a secret: she is a soul eye and can influence other people's feelings – a powerful gift. After her mother's death, Lia manages to escape from a forced marriage planned by the Italian Mafia, her family. She moves to Berlin, where she lives in absolute poverty and hides her emphatic powers. She tries to start a brand new life and be a successful designer, but the past is soon catching up... She will need to accept her gift and use it to manipulate the feelings of their opponents to finally win her freedom against the mafia clan.

Elke Satzger

The Cliffs of Perronec

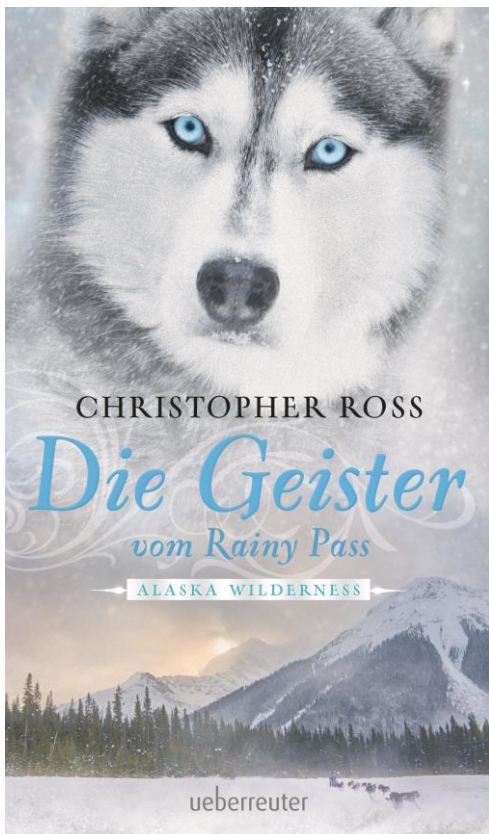


Elke Satzger studied art history, German and Ethnology in Munich, then she worked as an editor. She is married and has two grown-up daughters.

12 years and up
 300 pages
 Publication date: June 2016
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For Marie it's all love at first sight: she does not only feel in love with the beautiful countryside of the Bretagne, but also with the handsome Yann with green eyes. When he shows interest in Marie, she can hardly believe her luck. But then something horrible happens and Yann disappears. Marie is left behind with a lot of suspicions: what did really happen?

Christopher Ross
The ghosts of the Rainy Pass



Almost 60.000 copies of the series sold.

Christopher Ross writes romantic adventures with tension and emotion. With bestsellers such as the „Alaska Wilderness“-series, he has become a well-known writer.

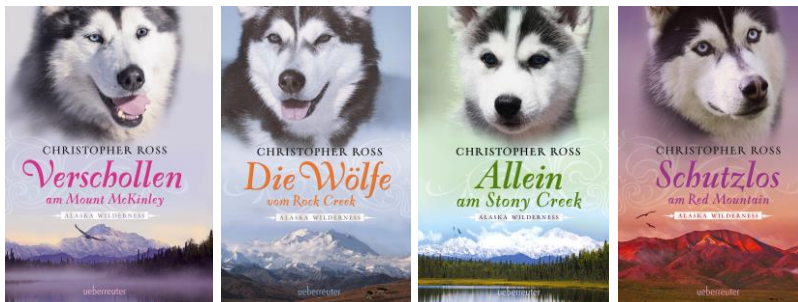
www.christopherross.de

12 years and up
 256 pages
 Publication date: September 2016
All rights available

Julie's dream comes true: she will take part in the longest dog sled race of the world. But when the race starts, the weather changes and Julie struggles to reach the next save station. When she finally arrives, she learns that the plane of her love Steve crashed. Because of the storm the ambulance unit cannot search for him and the other passengers. Julie decides to go back into the storm with her sled and save the love of her life.

Previous Books by Christopher Ross:

Alaska-Wilderness-Series:



Sunrise

Africa

Series:



Oliver Schlick
Miranda Lux – I think so I doubt

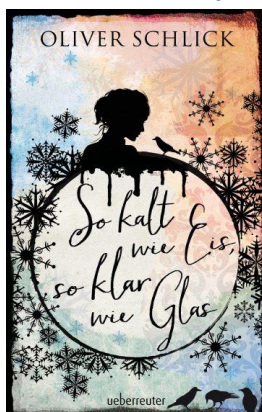


Oliver Schlick was born in 1964 in Neuwied, Rheine. After his graduation and civilian service, he studied social work in Düsseldorf. When he is not writing, he collects snow globes and tin toys and listens excessively to The Cure.

12 years and up
 384 pages
 Publication date: August 2016
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The world is full of secrets and nothing is ever as it seems. Fifteen-year-old Miranda Lux knows it best: she is the daughter of prominent, yet missing, conspiracy theorists and is herself a big sceptic. When a mysterious death happens, Miranda and her teacher Viktor start to investigate –and they find a wholly unbelievable solution...

Previous Books by Oliver Schlick:

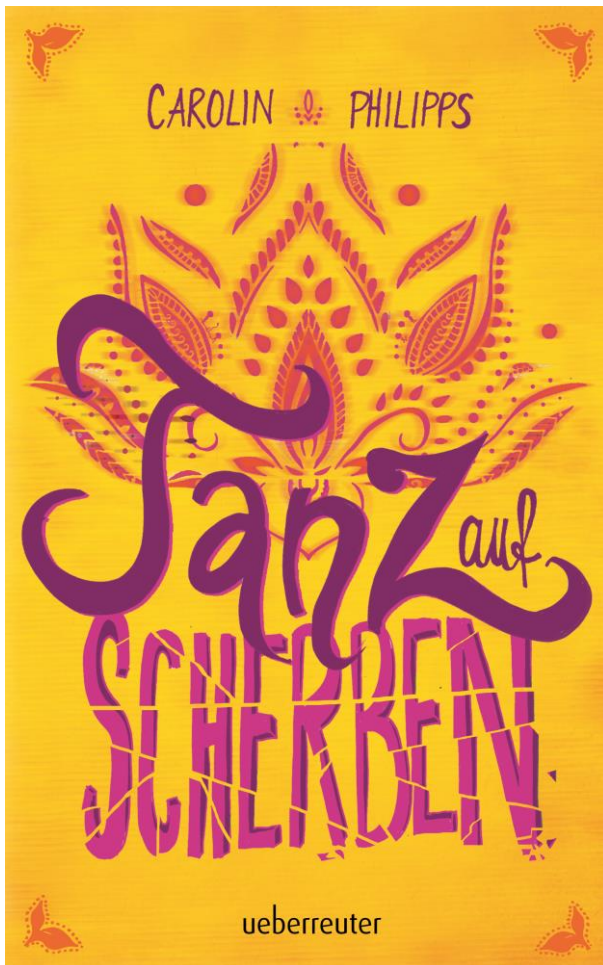


As cold as ice, as clear as glass

Strange things are happening in Cora's new home. One snow globe draws is especially drawing her attention. She wants to know what is going on – and does not realize the danger...

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Carolin Philipps
Dancing on the Fragments of broken Glass

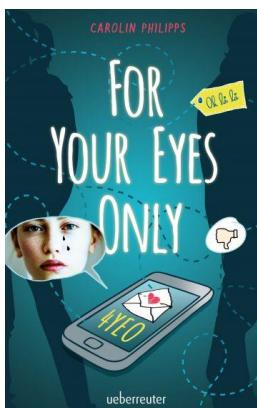


Carolin Philipps writes about important actual political topics that vary distinctly from most. She was awarded the Honorable Mention UNESCO-Prize for Tolerance for her novel »Milchkaffee und Streuselkuchen«.

14 years and up
 144 pages
 Publication date: August 2016
All rights available

Seventeen-year-old Manu lives with his family in Mumbai. His sister Sanjana dreams of becoming a dancer. Three times a week Manu picks her up after dance classes. One day he is a little bit late and Sanjana leaves without him. Manu finds her crying and beaten up. Since the investigations of the police are not bringing news, Manu and his friends set a trap for the attacker – and have an unpleasant surprise...

Selection of previous Books by Carolin Philipps:

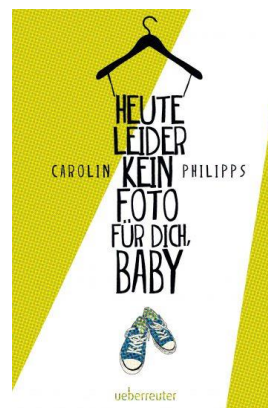


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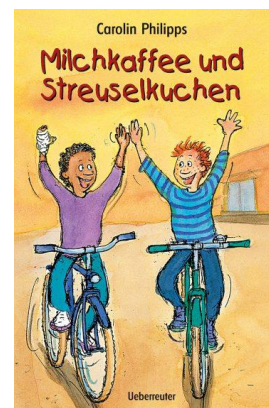


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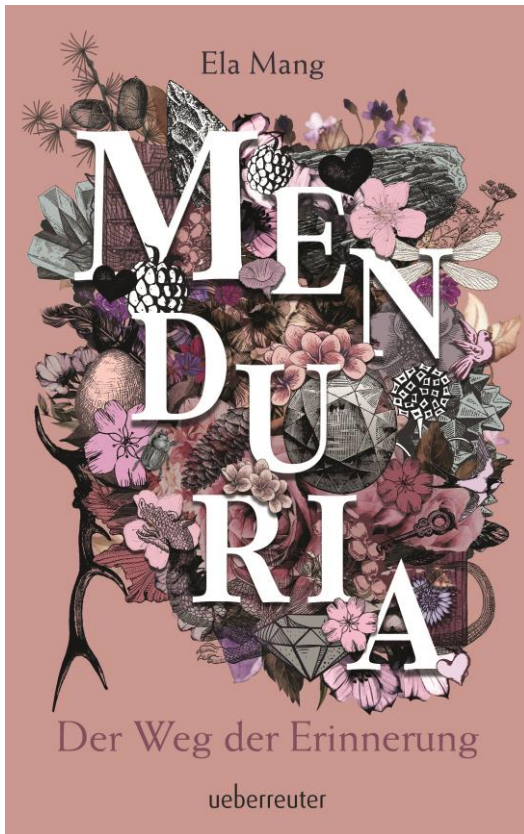


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Ela Mang
Menduria – Path of memories (Vol. 3)



Ela Mang was born in Vienna in 1971. During her childhood she was magically drawn to stories of adventure and fantasy. She began to write for her three children and today she is a successful author of children's and young adult books.

14 years and up
 416 pages
 Publication date: September 2016
All rights available

Lina is desperately searching for a way back to Menduria – and time is running out. She knows instinctively that the child she is expecting has to be born in Menduria. But she closed the doors two years ago...

When she finally manages to access Menduria, a whole new world awaits her – and Darian cannot remember their time with the dark elves. How can Lina find a way back into Darian's heart?

The Menduria-Series:



Julia Balogh/Birgit Murke

Divided Views – Adolescents ask questions about the German Unity



12 years and up

175 pages

Publication date: September 2015

All rights available

The book has won the 4th German-French Youth-Literary-Award 2016!

Young people cannot imagine anymore that Germany was divided between 1961 and 1989. Why did they build the Berlin Wall in 1961? What does “Stasi” mean? In this book Berlin young people ask questions to contemporary witnesses, who lived in the GDR or in the FRG during this period of German history. They met authors, actors, musicians, graphic artists of different ages (born between 1940 and 1981) from West and East Germany.

The editors Julia Balogh and Birgit Murke collected these interviews in this book. It shows 17 different perspectives of living in the Divided Germany and gives a very good insight into the diverse experiences in each part of the country.

“The truth is made from many different elements. Every one of them is true in its way, even if they are contradictory. By hearing as many different voices as possible without judging them, you can get really close to history”
Flix in “Divided Views”