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# Welcome

## Dear Colleagues around the Globe,

Welcome to our Spring program of 2022.

This year we have formed an alliance with our sister publisher Amalthea in Vienna.

On pages 4 to 13 you will find the new program of LangenMüller as well as selected backlist titles. From pages 14 to 20 Amalthea presents their newest titles (more on this on page 14).

Here are some of the LangenMüller highlights:

**Rafael Seligmann**, German Jewish novelist and journalist, publishes “**Rafi, Jewish Boy**” (page 4). It is the third volume of his gripping family saga, following the story of his father’s youth in pre-war Bavaria (“Run Ludwig, run”), the family’s emigration to Tel Aviv (“Hannah and Ludwig”), now with the return of this Jewish family to post-war Germany in 1957, describing the latent and open antisemitism they encountered. A moving and revealing title.

**Thilo Sarrazin**, political analyst and bestselling journalist, has taken a look at recent political developments and has published a new edition of his pragmatical approach to politics “**Wishful Thinking**” (page 9), analysing why well-meant strategies often must fail.

**Michael Hessemann**, bestselling author of several non-fictional titles looking into Christian history, gives new Archeological evidence of Biblical sites and their history: “**The Bible is Right**” (page 13).

Enjoy, find us in London (2C14) or later this year in Frankfurt – and let us know if you need any reading materials.

We are happy to hear from you.

Julia Courmont, Kirstin Kreppel & Elmar Klupsch



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# The Finale of the Jewish Family Epos

Rafael Seligmann  
Rafi, Jewish Boy

March 2022

€ 24,- [D]

400 pages,  
Hardcover with dust jacket,  
13.5 x 21.5 cm  
978-3-7844-3622-7

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New

English + Hebrew  
sample translation  
available



Rafael Seligmann, born 1947 in Tel Aviv, is a German writer, political scientist and historian. After emigrating to Munich he studied politics and began working as a journalist. He has published several essays and articles in renown German newspapers. In his novels he focuses on shining a light on the complicated German Jewish relationship.

- ▶ Jewish life in post-war Germany
- ▶ Antisemitism in post-war Germany

In 1957, Ludwig and Hannah Seligmann return to Germany with ten-year-old Rafael. Their first stop is Ichenhausen, the small town Ludwig grew up in. Ludwig feels attached to his now-annihilated home community. The town itself, on the other hand, just wants to forget the past. Both Rafi and his father are increasingly affected by prejudice. The family eventually moves to Munich and slowly settles in. Hannah constantly needs to provide emotional support for father and son. Yet despite all the obstacles, Rafael, a dreamer and academic underachiever, makes his way, gains his qualification for university entrance as an adult, successfully graduates in history and – against his mother’s embittered opposition – marries Ingrid, a “shiksa”. The third part of Rafael Seligmann’s compassionate yet unsentimental family history is both a search for his father’s lost home country and a piece of contemporary history. It describes a Germany before anything like a sense of responsibility for the past even existed in public consciousness.

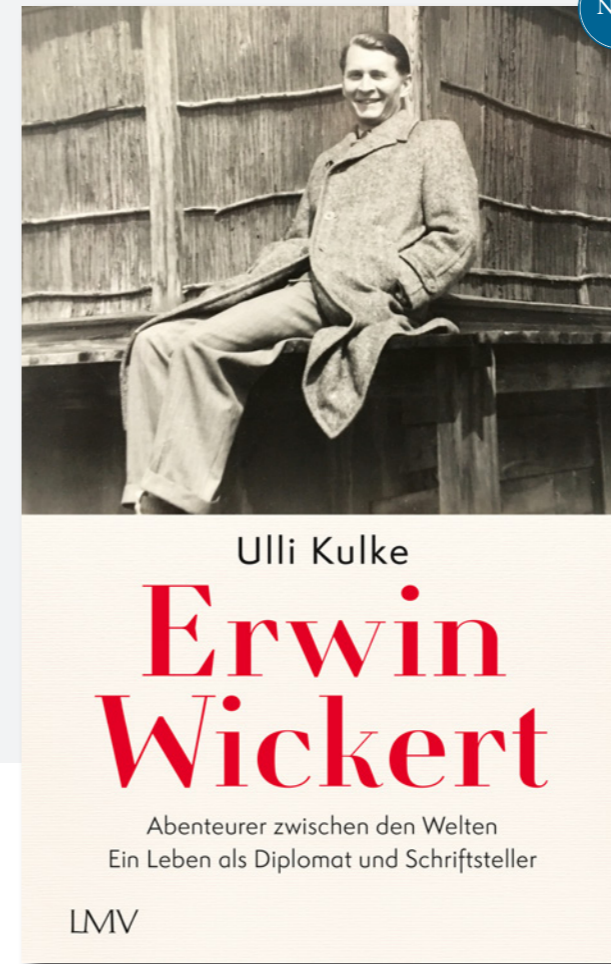


Run, Ludwig, Run!  
€ 24,- [D]  
978-3-7844-3466-7



Hannah and Ludwig  
€ 24,- [D]  
978-3-7844-3569-5

# A Grand European



New

Ulli Kulke  
Erwin Wickert – Adventures  
Between Worlds

December 2021

€ 25,- [D]

400 pages, 25 b/w photos  
Hardcover with dust jacket,  
13.5 x 21.5 cm  
978-3-7844-3620-3

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Ulrich Kulke (\*1952) is a graduate economist, freelance journalist, book author and co-founder of the taz newspaper. He regularly wrote about science topics and most recently spent 15 years at the “Welt” newspaper. His books, some of which have won awards, primarily deal with the history of research and exploration.

- ▶ Contemporary history from a very personal perspective
- ▶ A fascinating biography and retrospective of the 20th century

Erwin Wickert (1915-2008), the father of well-known German TV journalist Ulrich Wickert, is the epitome of the sophisticated cosmopolitan diplomat. In the 1930s, he spends a few semesters in the US, scrapes out a living as a labourer and finally returns to Germany on an adventurous route via China and Japan. Posted to Tokyo and Shanghai as the Foreign Office’s first radio attaché in 1939, he dedicates himself to writing after the war. Wickert writes a number of works, often about China and East Asia. In 1955, he joins the diplomatic service of the Federal Republic of Germany at NATO in Paris before switching to the Eastern Division of the Foreign Office in Bonn. In 1966, he penned the famous “Peace Note”, a milestone of German Ostpolitik. In the era of foreign minister Joschka Fischer who planned a blanket refusal to honour and commemorate former NSDAP members in the Foreign Office, Erwin Wickert and 128 high-ranking diplomats protested – a move that made big political waves.



# An Innovative Self-Made Man

New

**Bodo V. Hechelhammer**  
**Ralf Kauka, Lord of the Foxes**

February 2022

€ 24,- [D]

360 pages, 10 b/w photos,  
 30 b/w illustrations  
 Hardcover with dust jacket,  
 13.5 x 21.5 cm  
 978-3-7844-3625-8

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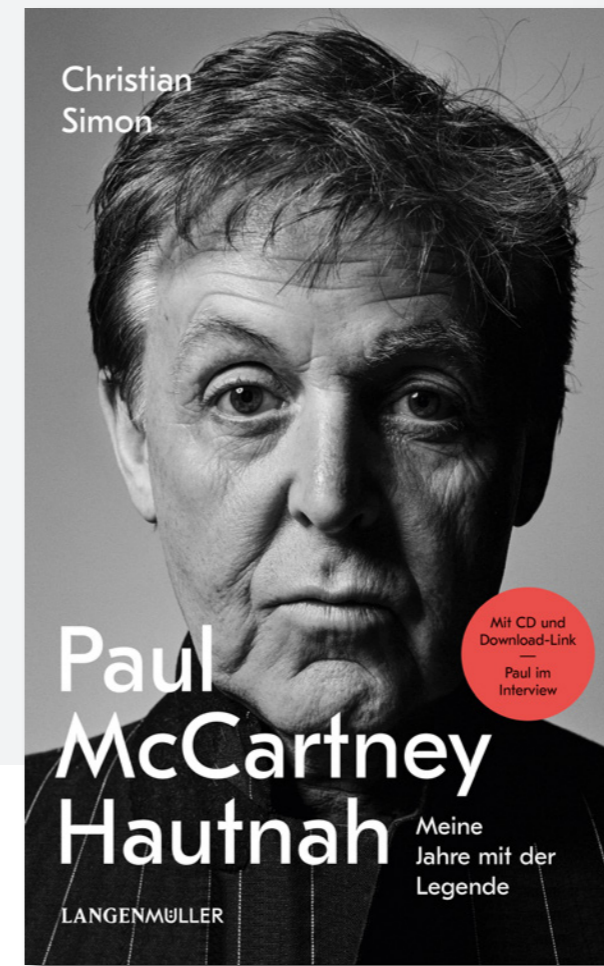


*Bodo V. Hechelhammer (\*1968) is a book author and the chief historian of the German Federal Intelligence Service. He has published a number of works on the topic of intelligence services.*

- ▶ **For the large fan community of Fix and Foxy as well as other cartoon characters**
- ▶ **Authorised biography**

Rolf Kauka, the comics pioneer of the German post-war era and self-declared German Walt Disney, is still considered the most successful producer in this industry in Germany. Kauka created more than 80 cartoon characters, among them the legendary Fix and Foxy with a weekly print run of about 400,000 magazines in the 1960s. In addition, Kauka published numerous comics series under licence, such as The Adventures of Tintin, The Smurfs, Lucky Luke and Asterix. However, when Kauka turned the two Gauls into Germans and rewrote the Romans as US occupying forces, he encountered fierce resistance from Asterix creators Goscinny and Uderzo, eventually losing his licensing rights after a protracted legal battle. Bodo Hechelhammer's biography paints an informative and detailed picture of the self-made millionaire, staunch patriot and Cold War warrior, a colourful and controversial personality who successfully sugarcoated or even concealed entire parts of his life.

# Memories of Life with Paul



**Christian Simon**  
**Paul McCartney Up Close**

June 2022

€ 26,- [D]

320 pages, 50 b/w photos,  
 12 coloured illustrations  
 Hardcover with dust jacket, CD,  
 13.5 x 21.5 cm  
 978-3-7844-3474-2

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*Christian Simon (\*1951), started his career at a German radio station. During his work on TV and radio he's worked with many stars over the years: Paul McCartney among them. Today Simon is an event manager and concert promoter.*

- ▶ **Paul McCartney in private: a unique peak behind the curtains**
- ▶ **Authorised by the artist and with unpublished documents**
- ▶ **Including a CD with original audio**
- ▶ **With greeting words by Geoff Baker, former public relations manager of McCartney, and Mark Featherstone-Witty, director of the Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts**

For more than two decades, Christian Simon has been cultivating his friendship with Paul McCartney, singer and bass player for The Beatles. Now the TV host and journalist presents the unique opportunity to dive into exclusive interviews Simon has lead with the legendary musician and his wife former Linda. What he shines a light on is a private Paul McCartney, his view about The Beatles, his own music as well as pop music in general, his opinions on politics, the environment and his dedication to supporting young talents. Last but not least, the biography memorializes Linda McCartney as a musician in her own right. A unique biography with pictures and unpublished documents including original recordings.

English  
**sample  
 translation**  
 available

# Taking a Strong Stand

- ▶ Are we well-governed?
- ▶ Are there techniques of good governance?
- ▶ New thoughts on the current debate



Thilo Sarrazin is considered one of Germany's most high-profile political minds. His best-selling book "Germany Abolishes Itself" (2010) sold over one million copies and triggered a widespread social debate. All of his subsequent books, most recently "The State at Its Limits", also made it onto the Spiegel bestseller list. As an economist and politician, he was responsible for the conception and execution of the German monetary union, supervised the Treuhand and served on the board of Deutsche Bahn Netz AG. He was Berlin's finance senator from 2002 to 2009 and subsequently served as a member of the Executive Board of the German Bundesbank for one and a half years.

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**We Can Do This**  
€ 20,- [D]  
978-3-7844-3613-5



**Germany is Abolishing Itself**  
€ 20,- [D]  
978-3-7844-3592-3



**The State at its Limits**  
€ 26,- [D]  
978-3-7844-3572-5



**The New Virtue Terror**  
€ 20,- [D]  
978-3-7844-3591-6



In this new edition of his book, Thilo Sarrazin describes the mechanics of politics, its typical mistakes and the reasons for the success or failure of societies. He elucidates why ideas and dreams of a better society have often failed to create anything good. From there, the author draws a connection to the severe mistakes of current German politics, from immigration to the green energy revolution, and explains their underlying causes. On that basis, he presents his answers to the big questions about Germany's future.

**Thilo Sarrazin  
Wishful Thinking**

January 2022

**€ 18,- [D]**

500 pages, ,  
Softcover with flaps,  
13.5 x 21.5 cm  
978-3-7844-3619-7

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# Novel about the Blue Rider

## Artist

Ota Filip  
The Russian House

February 2022

€ 18,- [D]

240 pages,  
Softcover with flaps,  
12.5 x 20.5 cm  
978-3-7844-3564-0

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Ota Filip (1930–2018) was exiled from Czechoslovakia in 1974 because of his political activities. He worked as a publishing editor for Fischer publishing, wrote for various major German newspapers (FAZ, Zeit, Die Welt) and eventually lived in Murnau as a freelance writer. His novellas and novels, which he wrote in Czech as well as in German, received numerous awards. He is considered an eminent figure of Czech exile literature.

- ▶ **A new edition of the bestseller, with more than 30,000 copies sold**
- ▶ **The story of Der Blaue Reiter and the expressionists**

Ota Filip's fantastical novel breathes life into a great love and its tragic ending. Gabriele Münter and Wassily Kandinsky spent six years together in Murnau at the so-called Russian House before the beginning of World War I brought their creative relationship to an end. Blurring the boundaries between dream and reality, with fluid transitions between time periods, the author creates a colourful, detailed image of the lives of these two exceptional artists. We will likely never know what it was really like, but Ota Filip's skilful storytelling offers readers the delightful pleasure of delving into the lives and woes of the famous artist couple as if they had been there themselves.

# Creating Life



Johannes von Buttlar  
The Formula of Creation:  
Venture into the Impossible

April 2022

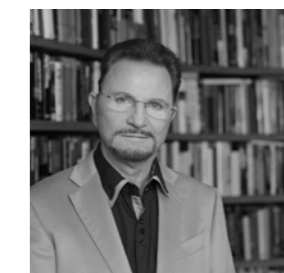
€ 24,- [D]

320 pages, 20 coloured photos,  
8 b/w photos  
Hardcover with dust jacket,  
13.5 x 21.5 cm  
978-3-7844-3574-9

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- ▶ **New novel by Bestselling author**
- ▶ **Unique link between science and fiction**
- ▶ **Uncommon insights into cosmology, quantum physics and quantum biology**

Physicist John Brandon is invited to a conference in Pasadena, US. There, scientists from around the world are looking for answers to the question: is there a cosmic plan, a formula of creation, a God as creator? Or is everything a random physical process to which we are subjected? The quantum computer system "Feynmann II" is meant to answer this question. But anti-technologists and hostile agents do everything within their power to sabotage the success of "Feynmann II" and the scientific elite. There are strange events, mysterious deaths and a terrorist attack. John Brandon himself also faces mortal danger ... A faction novel with a breath-taking plot about the infinite possibilities that are still in our future.



Johannes Freiherr von Buttlar-Brandenfels studied psychology and philosophy, astronomy, physics and mathematics and is among the most successful and most read current non-fiction authors. More than 30 books in 30 languages have been sold throughout the world.

# The Craftiness of Birds

Josef H. Reichholf  
Raven Black Intelligence

March 2022

€ 18,- [D]

288 pages, 16 b/w photos,  
15 b/w illustrations  
Softcover with flaps, 12.5 x 20.5 cm  
978-3-7844-3585-5

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Prof. Dr. Josef H. Reichholf, born in Aigen am Inn in 1945, is an evolutionary biologist and was the director of the Vertebrates Department at the Bavarian State Collection of Zoology in Munich as well as a professor of ecology and conservation at the Technical University of Munich. The popular scientist has received numerous awards for his research and publications, among them the Sigmund Freud Prize for Academic Prose. In 2010, "Raven Black Intelligence" was named Austria's "Science Book of the Year" in the field of Medicine/Biology.

- ▶ **Completely revised 11th edition of a classic of academic prose**
- ▶ **Behavioural biology explained for everyone**

Common ravens and their relatives are so intelligent that at times they even match the intelligence of primates. Reichholf's studies about both wild and hand-raised corvids provide surprising evidence for the intelligence of these animals. They prove that the birds are capable of accurately recognising animal and human partners, punishing unfriendly creatures, deceiving their competitors and expertly holding wolves at bay. In Japan, they can even be observed placing nuts in front of cars during the red phase at traffic lights in order to pick them up again, freshly cracked, during the next red phase. Reichholf gathers these and other facts in an astonishing narrative.

# New Research on Biblical Sites



Michael Hesemann  
The Bible is Right

February 2022

€ 30,- [D]

500 pages, 60 coloured photos,  
60 b/w photos  
Hardcover with dust jacket, 17.0 x 24.0 cm  
978-3-7844-3603-6

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Michael Hesemann (\*1964) is a German historian, writer, documentary filmmaker and journalist specialising in contemporary and ecclesiastical history. Hesemann rose to fame with his bestselling books on ecclesiastical and biblical archaeological topics. The "Huffington Post" called him "one of the most important religious historians in the world". His 31 books are international bestsellers.

- ▶ **New evidence for the accuracy of the Bible**
- ▶ **Bestselling author with millions of copies sold**

Historian and bestselling writer Michael Hesemann presents a fascinating foray into the discoveries of biblical archaeology from its beginnings to the present, where excavations are accompanied by the latest in science and technology. He takes readers on a fascinating journey to the countries of the Bible, to Israel, Jordan, Egypt, Iraq and Saudi Arabia, following the traces of leading archaeologists past and present: their discoveries force all those to reconsider who previously thought of the Old Testament as a collection of myths and legends. In recent years, archaeology has repeatedly confirmed the existence of biblical locations and characters and verified historical details found in Holy Scripture.

Over  
80,000  
— sold  
Hesemann copies



**My Brother, the Pope**  
€ 10,- [D]  
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PT, ES, TW, CZ, SI, SK



**The Blood Cloth of Christ**  
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# Welcome



## Dear Colleagues,

Founded in 1917, Amalthea has been known for publishing beautifully made books about relevant cultural and historic topics for more than a century. Situated in the heart of Vienna/Austria, today we specialize in non-fiction with a focus on autobiographies, history, and humour. In addition we publish a small selection of notable fiction titles.

This spring I'm proud to present you, among others, the exciting autobiography of international opera star Piotr Beczala, one of the leading tenors of our time, Ana Milva Gomes' moving account of her life as a Black woman in a white world, Reinhold Bilgeri's deeply emotional novel about a couple struggling for their marriage in times of a pandemic and Uli Brée's disturbing dark thriller about a pregnant young detective who seems mysteriously connected to a serial killer ...

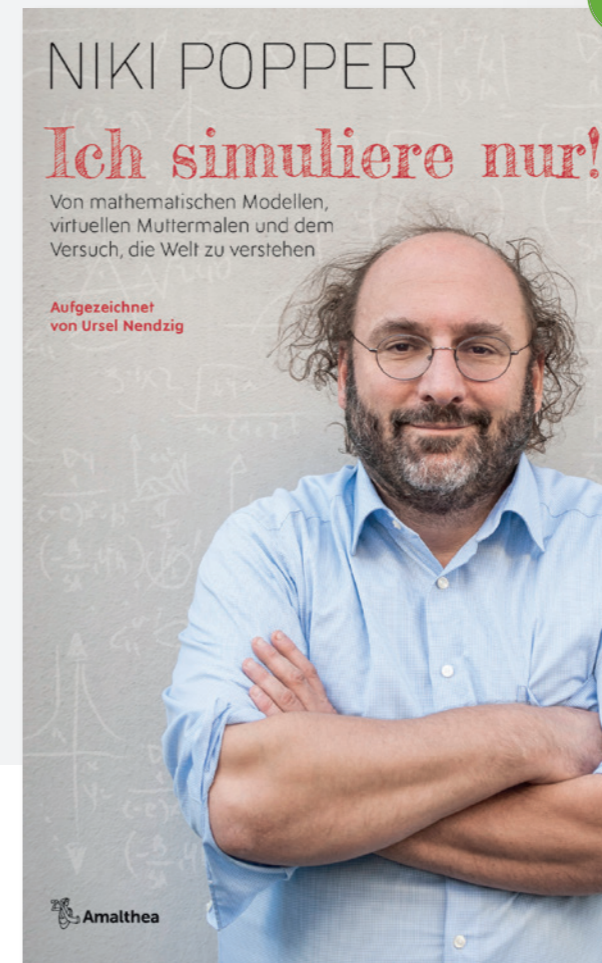
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Read you soon!  
Madeleine Pichler



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# What do simulation researchers do?



New

**Niki Popper**  
**I'm Just Simulating!**  
On Mathematical Models, Virtual Birthmarks and Attempting to Understand the World

June 2022

€ 26,- [D]

256 pages, with numerous illustrations  
Hardcover  
13.5 x 21.5 cm  
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*Nikolas «Niki» Popper, born in Vienna, studied mathematics and is the co-founder of Vienna-based companies «drahtwarenhandlung» and «dwh GmbH», which rose to fame with their pioneering work in modelling, simulating and visualising dynamic systems. Since 2020 member of the COVID-19 advisory group of the Austrian Ministry of Health. [dwh.at](http://dwh.at)*

*Ursel Nendzig is a freelance journalist and author. [urselnendzig.at](http://urselnendzig.at)*

- ▶ **A leading simulation researcher**
- ▶ **Fascinating insights into the daily life of a researcher**

How long will the queues at the next election be? How is the utilisation of train routes evolving? How will the spread of a virus change with vaccination? All this can be poured into a model and simulated. That is the core competence of Niki Popper and his team – their creative space is «drahtwarenhandlung», a biotope for pros from the fields of mathematics, simulation and artificial intelligence. They are not driven by the question of «how much», but «why». In his first book, Austrian simulation expert Niki Popper provides fascinating insights into his everyday life as a researcher and talks about challenges that remain complex even with the latest technologies, unusual projects, successes and failures – and why humans are sometimes decimals.



# Making the world more beautiful

**Monica Weinzettl**  
The »World Beautifier«  
Creative Ideas for Your Home

September 2021

€ 28,- [D]

240 pages, with numerous colour illustrations  
Hardcover  
21 x 25 cm  
978-3-99050-205-1

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*Monica Weinzettl, born in Vienna, is an actress and comedian and has been interested in crafts, decor, furnishing and redesigning since she was a child. From 2010 to 2016, she ran her own decor shop «Kastlwerkstatt» and since autumn 2018, she has been providing DIY ideas for all sorts of beautiful things on her blog. @weltverschoenerin*

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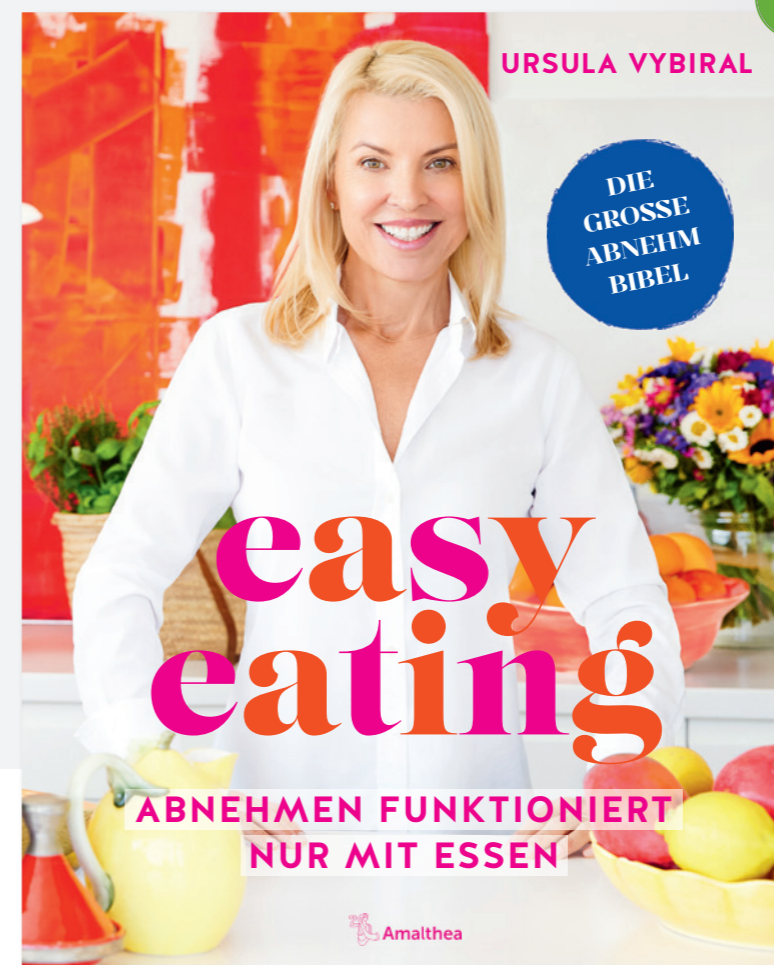
## ► Simple DIY decor instructions

## ► DIY & upcycling ideas for every season

An old suitcase as a bench, a clothes hanger as a photo holder, floating books as wall decor or an empty milk carton as a pencil case – comedian Monica Weinzettl not only makes her audiences laugh, she also uses her creative ideas to bring ambience and beauty into our homes.

When the «world beautifier» breathes new life into objects, sustainability and upcycling are top of the list. With self-deprecating humour, she reveals a host of tips & tricks on how to create new things from simple items. Whether it's spring, summer, autumn or winter, Valentine's Day, Easter or Christmas, Monica Weinzettl has the perfect DIY (gift) idea for every occasion – true to her motto: «You can do much more than you think!»

# A successful weight loss program



New

**Ursula Vybiral**  
**easy eating**  
Losing Weight Only Works when You Eat

April 2022

€ 29,- [D]

224 pages, with numerous colour illustrations  
Hardcover  
18.9 x 24.3 cm  
978-3-99050-223-5

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*Ursula Vybiral, born in Vienna, is a successful nutritionist, weight loss and fasting expert, motivational coach and founder of the easy eating method, a dietary change aimed at losing weight quickly. Her clever weight loss concept also comes with all the necessary tools to maintain your new feel-good weight. easyeating.at*

## ► By a weight loss expert

## ► A sustainable and delicious dietary change aimed at losing weight

Getting thin is good, staying thin is better – and all of that while eating! What a promising idea. In this book, Ursula Vybiral, founder of the «easy eating method», shows how easy it can be to lose weight while you're eating. How you can easily reach your feel-good weight and maintain your new-found lightness. Like the name says: easy. The idea is to eat more consciously instead of eating less – indulgence rather than big sacrifices. Because losing weight only works when you eat. Ideally with food that actually tastes good. And soon enough, your favourite jeans will fit again like a glove.



# Highly topical: #blacklivesmatter

# An opera star up close

**Ana Milva Gomes**  
**Look at Me**  
A Black Girl in a White World

November 2021

€ 25,- [D]

256 pages, with numerous colour illustrations  
Hardcover with dust jacket  
14.5 x 21 cm  
978-3-99050-215-0

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*Ana Milva Gomes, born in The Hague, is a musical performer and has successfully performed on numerous international stages since 2003. In a 2014 production in Vienna, she was the first Black actress to play Donna in «Mamma Mia!».*

*Julia Lewandowski, born in Vienna, was deputy editor-in-chief of women's and lifestyle magazine «MADONNA» and works as a freelance writer. Her favourite topics are society and feminism.*

- ▶ **The moving story of a brave woman**
- ▶ **A passionate plea for tolerance and a consciously intercultural coexistence**

Ana Milva Gomes is drawn to the stage from early on. With exceptional talent, a lot of hard work and irrepensible will, the daughter of Cape Verdean immigrants successfully gains leading roles in musicals such as «Mamma Mia!», «Sister Act» and «Cats». However, beyond the limelight, the charming artist keeps experiencing the limits of a monochrome society. After the birth of her daughter and the widely publicised death of African-American man George Floyd, she realises that her performances are more political than intended – and begins to reflect on her own painful experiences with discrimination. Movingly, and without any accusations, she talks about intentional and unintentional racism, degrading stereotypes and her responsibility as a Black woman on stage.



**Piotr Beczala**  
**Out Into The World**  
An Operatic Life in Three Acts

October 2020

€ 25,- [D]

256 pages, with numerous colour illustrations  
Hardcover with dust jacket  
14.3 x 21.5 cm  
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- ▶ **One of the leading tenors of our time**
- ▶ **An audience magnet, with sold-out performances all over the world**

«From street singer to chamber singer,» jokes star tenor Piotr Beczala about his breathtaking career. The audience favorite, who sang on the streets of Vienna for spare change during his student years, now sings the great tenor roles in operas like «Tosca», «Werther», and «Rigoletto» on the world's most prestigious stages. But in spite of his incredible success, he has remained a likeable, down-to-earth citizen of the world: with humorous charm, he shares stories from his career, about his famous colleagues, rehearsal slip-ups and bizarre production concepts. He reveals what baking has in common with premieres, why it's important to swim against the current, and why leaning into the curves only pays off in classic cars. An exciting peek into the daily life of an opera star, shuttling between Vienna and New York.

*Piotr Beczala, born in Poland, is one of the most sought-after tenors of our time. He sings in the world's great opera houses, including the Met, Covent Garden, the Vienna Staatsoper, La Scala, the Bayerische Staatsoper in Munich, the Deutsche Oper in Berlin and at Bayreuth. He has received numerous awards, and performed at the 2020 Opera Ball in Vienna. [piotrbeczala.com](http://piotrbeczala.com)*

*Susanne Zobl is a freelance journalist and opera critic.*





# Quiet days in New York

**Reinhold Bilgeri**  
**Love in the Silent Country**  
 A Novel

January 2021

€ 22,- [D]

176 pages  
 Hardcover with dust jacket  
 11.5 x 18.7 cm  
 978-3-99050-197-9

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*Reinhold Bilgeri, born in Hohenems/Vorarlberg, is a singer-songwriter, screenwriter, filmmaker and writer. As a pop/rock singer, he sold more than 3 million records internationally (among them «Video Life»). In 2005, he published his first novel «Der Atem des Himmels» («The Breath of Heaven»), which became a bestseller. reinholdbilgeri.at*



**The Breath of Heaven**  
 € 18,- [D]  
 978-3-99050-217-4

- ▶ **A masterful novel about love**
- ▶ **A relationship at the crossroads: moving, emotional, stirring**
- ▶ **A highly topical depiction of the current atmosphere in the US**

They used to be a harmonious couple: Amy, the ambitious American from a good family, and Tom, the Austrian journalist and Arthur Rimbaud worshipper. Madly in love and utterly devoted to each other, they get married. However, cracks are slowly appearing and first jarring notes creep into the harmony of their marriage. When a pandemic makes its way to New York and everyday life comes to a standstill, confronting their issues becomes unavoidable. After all, silence isn't always peaceful. Inner conflicts, fears and doubts, dreams and longings come to the surface and put the couple's relationship to the test...

# The power of memories

New



**Zdenka Becker**  
**It's Almost Half Past Eleven**  
 A Novel

January 2022

€ 25,- [D]

256 pages  
 Hardcover with dust jacket  
 12.5 x 20.5 cm  
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*Zdenka Becker, born in Cheb/ Czech Republic, grew up in Slovakia and studied economics and interpreting in Bratislava and Vienna. She is a freelance author and writes novels and plays as well as the Europe column for «morgen» magazine. zdenkabecker.at*

- ▶ **Award-winning author**
- ▶ **A story about the fate of an entire generation**
- ▶ **The compassionate portrait of a life-long relationship**

Hilde and Karl could be spending their twilight years in peace – if it wasn't for Karl's worsening dementia and their impending move into aged care. One day, Hilde finds a box with old letters in the attic – and while her husband's memory continues to fade, the past increasingly comes to life for Hilde. The letters are taking her back to a time when she and Karl were engaged, but separated by family obligations, Karl's job in Berlin – and the National Socialist regime that soon threw its shadow over the young couple. When, on top of everything, an amateur historian begins to ask questions about the disappearance of Hilde's niece, the web of lies she has built around her life increasingly threatens to slip from her grasp...

# Life's big questions

# Page-turning literary suspense

**Eugen M. Schulak**  
**Mr Maria's Wonderful Journey**  
A Philosophical Novel

February 2022

€ 25,- [D]

272 pages, with numerous illustrations  
Hardcover with dust jacket  
12.5 x 20.5 cm  
978-3-99050-208-2

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New



**Uli Brée**  
**You Will Kill Me**  
A Novel

October 2021

€ 25,- [D]

288 pages  
Hardcover with dust jacket  
12.5 x 20.5 cm  
978-3-99050-206-8

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*Eugen M. Schulak, born in Vienna, founded a philosophical practice in Vienna in 1998 after graduating in philosophy (PhD with Konrad Paul Liessmann), psychology, education and history. He is the author of numerous books as well as a university lecturer, funeral speaker and musician.  
[philosophische-praxis.at](http://philosophische-praxis.at)  
[thefrozenheart.com](http://thefrozenheart.com)*

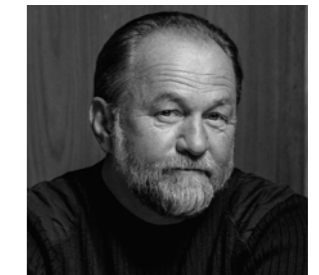
- ▶ **For fans of Jostein Gaarder and François Lelord**
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