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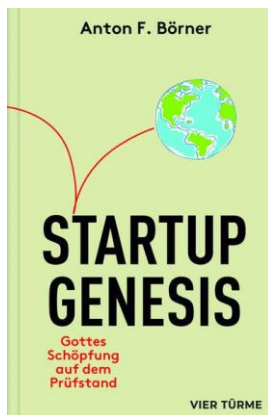
Highlights

Autumn 2023

Anton F. Börner



Anton Börner was President of the Federation of German Wholesale, Foreign Trade and Services until October 2020, with a brief interruption from mid-2017 to mid-2019. For him, the international dissemination of the principles of the social market economy, the strengthening of intercultural exchange and the continuation of the dialogue between politics, business and the church are important topics of our time.



Non-Fiction

Anton F. Börner

Startup Genesis *God's Creation put to the Test*

Vier-Türme- Verlag, September 2023
280 p.

Startup Genesis *God's Creation put to the Test*

As an economist and experienced entrepreneur, Anton Börner is convinced that if the Christian tradition still has something to say to us today, then it must be possible to formulate its message in a contemporary way. In a language that modern people around the world use and understand. Against this background, the author illuminates the creation story. God designs the project and realises it, taking into account the criteria of freedom, logic, plausibility and efficiency. Anton Börner analyses the concept of God from the creation of the universe, the incarnation, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus to the judgement of the living and the dead on the Last Day. An unconventional attempt to convey the core statements of the Christian faith and to find convincing and contemporary answers to questions and doubts about God in the statements of the Bible.

Jana Crämer



From bullying victim to encourager: Jana Crämer had a severe eating disorder, weighed almost 180 kilos just a few years ago and was bullied for years. She took her life into her own hands and lost 100 kilos.

Today, Jana is a TikToker with almost half a million followers, has a very successful Instagram channel, is on YouTube, writes a blog ("endlich-ich.com"), publishes a regular podcast ("Schweigen ändert nichts") and goes on concert reading tours throughout Germany with the well-known musician Batomae.

The two best friends have already visited well over 50,000 schoolchildren with their performances as part of the "Initiative BKK bauchgefühl" and the invitations are never ending.

Jana Crämer has already been honoured for her commitment with the SignsAward18, the "Oscar of the communication industry".



Autofiction Inspirational Novel

Jana Crämer

Jana, 39, Unkissed

A true, encouraging story

Knaur, April 2023
256 p.

**Direct entry into the SPIEGEL bestseller list, in total 13 weeks on the list
Movie & TV: under option**

Jana, 39, Unkissed

A true, encouraging story

A book for all those who feel alone in a crowded room. Who feel ashamed because of their clothing size, because they are without a partner, or because they don't fit the supposed norm for other reasons.

"A book I wish I had read much earlier. I admire Jana and hope I can pass on what I took away from her moving story to my children." Sebastian Fitzek

This is a true story!!!

Jana Crämer is 39 years old. Smart personable, humorous and professionally successful. But something sets her apart from most women her age: Jana has never kissed a man in her life. Not even held hands. And although falling in love is her big, unfulfilled dream, she has not broken it in all these years.

In a world where we often feel out of place, where we are mercilessly judged by people who make us feel we are not slim, pretty, rich or happy enough, Jana has, against all odds, overcome her greatest adversary: herself. *Jana, 39, Unkissed* is a moving, touching and encouraging book with which she takes us on a very private journey. From the isolated bullying victim in the schoolyard, suffering from eating disorders, body-shaming and self-hatred, to the woman who today millions of people listen to enthusiastically on social networks when she says: "I am Jana, 39, unkissed and still happy. If I made it, you can make it too."

Further inspirational novel of the successful author – rights through AVA:



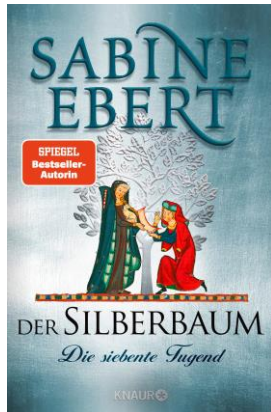
Sabine Ebert



Sabine Ebert, born in Aschersleben and raised in Berlin, is the most successful German-language author in the field of "historical novels". She studied Latin American studies and linguistics in Rostock and now lives as a freelance author in Freiberg, where her novels are set. Her successful debut *The Midwife's Secret* was filmed for ARD in 2016; four more highly successful midwife novels followed. The series has also been adapted for the theater/musical stage in German-speaking countries. Sabine Ebert's books, written out of passion for Saxon and German history, have all become bestsellers and have been translated into several languages.

Bestseller series *Sword and Crown* – sold to Czech Republic, Poland – foreign rights through AVA





Sabine Ebert

The Silver Tree
The Seventh Virtue

Droemer Knaur, November 2023
496 p.

Historical Novel

The Silver Tree
The Seventh Virtue

The heirs of the midwife - and perhaps the most extraordinary prince of the German High Middle Ages: With her historical novel *Silver Tree*, bestselling author Sabine Ebert launches her new series about an exciting chapter in German history.

He was perhaps the most radiant prince of his time, a patron of cities, a minnes poet and organiser of brilliant tournaments: Henry the Illustrious, Margrave of Meissen and Landgrave of Thuringia. But at the beginning of the story it is uncertain whether he will ever take up the reign. His father dies when Henry is three years old. His uncle Ludwig of Thuringia, who has just married the Hungarian king's daughter Elisabeth, becomes his guardian. Will he preserve the nephew's inheritance or does he want to seize it for himself? In her distress, the margravine's widow Jutta calls Lukas from Freiberg to her. She had once sent him away from court because his stepdaughter Clara was her husband's great love. Lukas gathers loyal followers around him and summons Marthe's eldest son Thomas from the Holy Land to Meissen. Meanwhile, Marthe's granddaughter Anne moves to Thuringia, where she has disturbing encounters with Elisabeth, later canonised, and her merciless confessor, the fanatical crusader preacher and persecutor of heretics Conrad of Marburg.

The healer Marthe is the title character of Sabine Ebert's historical bestsellers of the five-volume "Midwife Saga".

From the point of view of Marthe's children and grandchildren, Sabine Ebert lets us experience a fascinating century in the historical novel series: the great time of the Minne and the conflicts of Emperor Frederick II with the Pope.

The Midwife Series – sold to Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, Lithuania, Albania – rights through AVA



Veit Etzold



Veit Etzold was born in Bremen in 1973. He pursued studies in English language and literature, art history, media science and general management in Oldenburg, London and Barcelona. In 2005, he received his doctorate on the motion picture Matrix. During and after his studies, he worked for media groups, banks, in management consulting and in management education.

Today, Veit Etzold is a sought-after keynote speaker and one of the leading German-language authors of political thrillers. In addition to his four successful bestselling political thrillers *Todesdeal*, *Dark Web*, *Staatsfeind* and *Final Control*, he writes the investigative thriller series about the profiler Clara Vidalis as well as non-fiction books on economics and strategy. Veit Etzold lives and works in Berlin.

Selection of bestselling thrillers by Veit Etzold, foreign rights through AVA:





Thriller

Veit Etzold

The Corporation

Droemer Knauer, November 2023
400 p.

A young banker against the string pullers of the financial world

In the 3rd part of the red-hot thriller series by bestselling author Veit Etzold, it's all about even more money and even darker deals.

Laura Jacobs, a young banker from Berlin, doesn't have much time to recover from the trumped-up murder charge that was intended to put her out of business: Her employer seems to be embroiled in a catastrophic scandal in which the pensions of millions of Germans are at stake.

While Laura is forced to get to the bottom of the matter, she is once again targeted by the syndicate. She cannot suspect that this time it will no longer be enough for her invisible and often enough overpowering opponent to take away her home, her freedom or her husband ...

Has Laura messed with the big players of the financial world one too many times?

The Branch, The Centre - first and second volume of the Laura Jakobs series. Foreign rights through AVA:



Lisa Federle



Lisa Federle, born in Tübingen in 1961, has worked there as an emergency doctor since 2001 and as a senior emergency physician since 2004. In 2015, she developed a “mobile medical practice” to provide medical care to refugees. During the Corona pandemic, the mobile medical practice became a mobile testing station. Lisa Federle thus made the decisive contribution to the Tübingen model. In 2020, she was awarded the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany, and in 2021, together with Jan Josef Liefers and Michael Antwerpes, she founded the #BewegtEuch initiative to enable disadvantaged children and young people to engage in sports activities.

The bestselling debut title by Lisa Federle *Straight ahead on crooked paths. What moves and motivates me* - 17 weeks on the SPIEGEL-bestseller list - best ranking #2. Foreign rights through AVA.





Non-Fiction

Lisa Federle

The Happiness of Listening
How good Relationships make us Strong
(with Isabelle Müller)

Knaur, October 2023
320 p.

The Happiness of Listening
How good Relationships make us Strong

One who gives courage: Germany's best-known emergency doctor on the importance of listening and trusting relationships.

With her hands-on manner, she charmed the whole country in the summer of 2015 and during the pandemic. Her patients, meanwhile, have long known what they have in Lisa Federle: a doctor who looks, asks questions and has accompanied their fates and life dreams for many years.

In her new book, Lisa Federle talks about the problems she faces every day. These include loneliness, dementia, anxiety, depression, not to mention the psychosomatic consequences of personal crises. Not infrequently, however, love relationships are also the cause of health crises - and the shame of talking about it is great among those affected. Because all too often it is about things that affect social issues beyond personal fate.

Lisa Federle, for example, tells of a woman who seems to find fulfilment for 30 years as the shadow wife of a married man and makes great concessions. But the constant hoping, the loneliness and the many lies come to a painful end one day. Here, as in many other stories in this book, it becomes clear how much social conventions weigh down a life and how those affected can still find a way to personal happiness.

An emotional plea for more kindness. Based on her own turbulent professional and personal life, Lisa Federle shows what considerate cooperation could look like.



Sabine Fitzek

After studying medicine, Dr. Sabine Fitzek worked at the universities of Berlin, Erlangen, Mainz and Jena, where she habilitated in the field of neurology. She then worked as chief physician for more than ten years. She has been working as a freelance doctor for the past year and has begun writing about health policy grievances that she has repeatedly experienced during her career. In addition, she occasionally advises her brother-in-law Sebastian Fitzek on the subject of extreme mental states.



Crime Series

Sabine Fitzek

Ephemeral

Kammowski investigates - Vol. 5

Knaur Verlag, December 2023
352 p.

Ephemeral

Commissioner Kammowski from Berlin is called to a death by an employee of a nursing service. At first glance, everything looks like an assisted suicide with the help of a Swiss association for euthanasia - 72-year-old Theodor von Hausmann was terminally ill with ALS and left a suicide note.

But his daughter is stunned: her father absolutely wanted her to be by his side when he died; a flat by the sea had already been booked. Several other clues also suggest that von Hausmann did not take his own life.

But who would murder a man who had already planned his own death?

Disturbing, emotional and highly suspenseful, Sabine Fitzek explores in the 5th volume of her crime series how susceptible to abuse euthanasia is - and how dubious "healers" play with the health and feelings of sick people.

Investigator Kammowski Vol. 1, 2, 3 and 4, foreign rights through AVA



Sebastian Fitzek



Sebastian Fitzek comes from radio, studied law and wrote his doctoral thesis in copyright law. In 2006 he published his first psychological thriller: *Die Therapie* became a bestseller, as did all subsequent books. His works have been published in 15 million copies and translated into more than 36 languages. Fitzek is also published in England and the USA. Many of his titles have been the subject of several theatre adaptations, including *Der Seelenbrecher*, *Die Therapie* and *Passagier 23*. Sebastian Fitzek has twice been nominated for the Glauser Prize and has won the Golden Lovelybooks Readers' Award several times. He also received the Hörkules and is the winner of the European Prize for Crime Literature 2016. He is involved as an ambassador for the German Children's Association and as a patron of the association Das frühgeborene Kind e.V.. Fitzek was born in Berlin in 1971. He lives with his family in Berlin.

Foreign Rights Highlight



The debut novel and bestseller by Sebastian Fitzek *Therapy* as an Amazon Prime series in October 2023

Therapy will be exclusively available on Prime Video in October 2023 as a six-episode's series - dubbed in 10 languages, subtitled in 24 languages, available in more than 200 countries worldwide. *Therapy* was produced by Ziegler Film.

Ziegler Film enjoys a high reputation in the international film world and is responsible for numerous successes in film and television.

Thriller**Sebastian Fitzek*****The Invitation***

Droemer Knaur, October 2023
400 p.

Sold to: Slovenia (Učila)

The Invitation

Pure tension - thriller meets horror

In anticipation of a long weekend in the Alps, Marla Lindberg accepts an invitation to a class reunion. But shortly after arriving, she realises that there is only one thing more deadly than leaving the secluded mountain hotel at night in the icy snow. Staying.

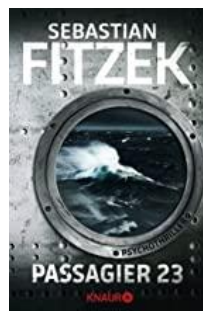
The invitation: Woe to the one who receives it ...

Marla Lindberg's memories are crystal clear: Of the strange message that lured her to a disused maternity clinic. Of the figure that tried to kill her. The strange whistling cough of the psychopath during the fight to the death.

After years of psychotherapy, the highly intelligent young woman has learned: these are all false memories. Marla suffers from face blindness. Her brain plays tricks on her in extreme situations when it tries in vain to recognise people by their faces.

When Marla receives an invitation to a class reunion in the Alps, she hopes to be able to reminisce about beautiful and real memories with her former classmates. When she arrives at the snowy mountain hotel, all the rooms are already occupied. Used dishes are on the dining table, the fireplace is flickering, but no one is there. Marla begins to look for the others. And then she hears it again. Someone coughing in a whistle, outside, in the icy darkness ...

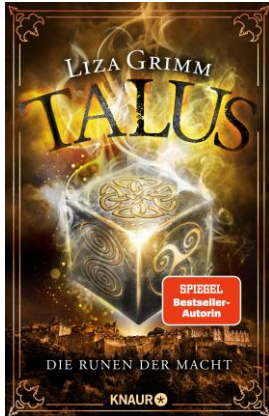
Selection of Fitzek's Bestseller – foreign rights through AVA



Liza Grimm



Liza Grimm was born in 1992 in Neustadt a.d. Weinstraße. After many years in Würzburg, she moved to Munich to major in German. As a child, her life was shaped by two of her greatest passions: writing and dancing. Because she also loves to interact with her readers, she decided to publish her works as an indie author. To this day she regularly blogs about her writing experiences.



Liza Grimm

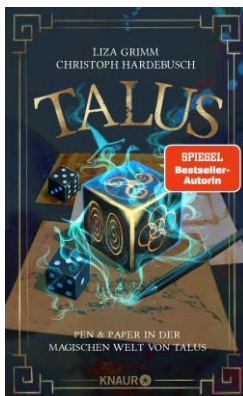
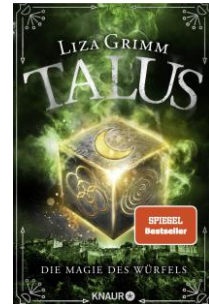
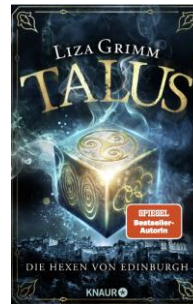
Talus
The Runes of Power

Droemer Knaur, April.2023
384 p.
The Witches of Edinburgh Part 3

Fantasy

Liza Grimm delights with lively characters and a detailed, lovingly crafted magical world in which anything seems possible. The urban fantasy series *The Witches of Edinburgh* about a coven of young witches and sorcerers, an eerie magical artefact and the danger that wishes can pose.

Volume 1 and 2 of the **Witches of Edinburgh** series:



Liza Grimm

Talus
Pen & Paper in the magical world of Talus
Liza Grimm & Christoph Hardebusch

Knaur Verlag, October 2023
176 p.

Fantasy

Experience your own adventure in the magical world beneath Edinburgh:

Bestselling author Liza Grimm and Christoph Hardebusch – role-playing game expert and bestselling author as well – have developed a pen & paper role-playing game set in the world of the popular fantasy series *Talus*.

Now all fans of the fantasy bestseller series *Talus* can experience their own adventure in the witch world of Edinburgh: Based on well-known pen & paper role-playing games (e.g. *Dungeons & Dragons*, *The Black Eye*), Liza Grimm and Christoph Hardebusch have developed a classic adventure game to play together. Armed with pens, paper and dice, the players enter the magical underworld of Edinburgh in a dark time far before the events of *Talus* and must complete numerous quests. They are guided by a game master who is supported by the role-playing book with plot and events, background information and, of course, the rulebook.

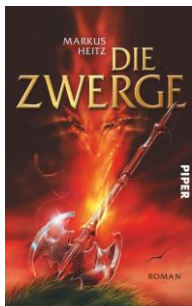
Markus Heitz



Markus Heitz, born in 1971, studied German Philology and History. His name can be found on the bestseller list without interruption. His books have already been translated into more than 17 languages. No other author has received as many German Fantasy Awards as him, which is why he is quite rightly regarded the grandmaster of German phantastics..

With his series *The Dwarves*, he achieved a national and international breakthrough; the books were translated into numerous languages and spent weeks on the bestseller lists. His fantasy novels were joined by successful thrillers about werewolves, vampires, soul walkers and other dark figures of (urban) fantasy. He has now written over 60 novels, which have been translated into 17 languages.

Fantasy at its best: The seven-part bestseller series from Markus Heitz *The Dwarves*. Volume 5 to 7 rights through AVA





Fantasy

Markus Heitz

The Black Queen

Knaur Verlag, August 2023

544 p.

Direct entry into the Spiegel Bestseller list # 10

The Black Queen

Bloody, action-packed, dramatic: bestselling author Markus Heitz returns to vampires with *The Black Queen*! Vampires, intrigue, alchemy, friendship and occult knowledge are just some of the ingredients for this dark fiction novel: the truth about Vlad Dracul and Barbara von Cilli, their joint fight in the late Middle Ages against bloodsuckers - and Len, who doesn't know what's happening to him in the present because of it. Vampire literature full of action and suspense

The bus trip to Prague and the Banat turns out differently than young Len could ever have imagined.

Even though his grandmother had always claimed he was a Drăculești and the last descendant of Vlad II, he never believed it himself. Until he is hunted by vampires in Prague - because Vlad and his family were considered bitter enemies of the bloodsuckers. Now they fear that Len is a harbinger: for the return of the Black Queen! They want to use him to get the old magical-alchemical records of the mysterious ruler. But Len doesn't have the faintest clue. Neither of the past nor of what is to come.

From the Middle Ages to the present day: an immortal vampire novel. For the story also has it in it, as the parallel, dramatic events surrounding Queen Barbara of Cilli, Vlad Dracul and the rival vampire lords in Transylvania and Wallachia in the Middle Ages show.

With *The Black Queen*, bestselling author Markus Heitz has written a dark fantasy novel that combines the present day with vampire history. The result is a dark fiction masterpiece that takes a new look at the vampire mythos. After "The Black Queen" some historical events will appear in a new light.

Anika Landsteiner



Anika Landsteiner, born in 1987, works as an author and journalist. Her focus is on social injustices, taboo topics, feminism and pop culture. In the podcast "Hello, lovers!" she talks with couples therapist Dr. Sharon Brehm about how equal love can work. Her last novel, *As You Know Me*, was about coping with grief and domestic violence and hits immediately the SPIEGEL-Bestselling list with publication. Her female audience is very incited by her writing, praising her outstanding voice as well as the topics of her publications.

In her new novel *I will tell you everything at night*, she addresses the topic of female self-determination.

Since the publisher S.Fischer recognizes her potential, her new novel will be published as a Hardcover.

The SPIEGEL-bestselling author lives in Munich.

As You Know Me by Anika Landsteiner, published in 2021, movie rights already optioned.
Foreign rights through AVA



**Novel****Anika Landsteiner*****I will tell you everything at Night***

Fischer Verlag, July 2023

368 p.

Direct entry into the Spiegel Bestseller list at # 43

I will tell you everything at Night

A novel about self-determination, desire and the courage to be honest.

When the most beautiful nights are also the blackest nights

Léa flees from her life. She swaps the German summer for the South of France and goes to the old family estate on the Côte d'Azur. But her plan to find peace there doesn't work out: On the evening of her arrival, she converses with a young woman who dies the same night - and Léa is the last to see her. Suddenly Émile, the young woman's brother, is at Léa's door. He is tormented by many questions because he has learned that his sister was pregnant. Night after night, they tell each other about their families, which have long since ceased to be healed; they argue tooth and nail about guilt, fear and silence. While Léa tries to find her way back into life, Émile does everything he can to find out what led to his sister's death. How can one say goodbye to the past without forgetting?

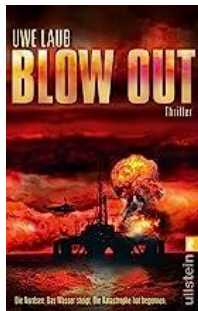
Uwe Laub



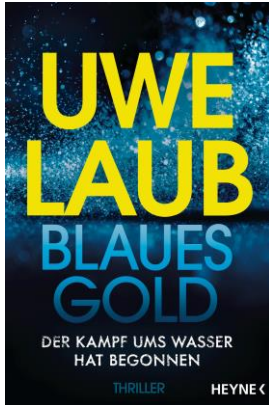
Uwe Laub was born in 1971 in Timișoara/Romania. He was two years old when his parents returned to Germany with him. After an apprenticeship as a banker, he first worked as a stock trader at the German Futures Exchange and then for several years in the sales force of his parents' pharmaceutical company. Since 2010, he has been running the company himself.

In 2013, his eco-thriller *Blow out* was published, which became a surprise success and even received notice on German television. In 2018, the novel *Storm* followed, which also became a bestseller and thrilled audiences in numerous readings across Germany. Since then, Uwe Laub has published two more top-class thrillers, *Leben* und *Dürre*.

He lives with his wife and his Labrador "Marley" in Munich and Fort Myers/USA.



- *Storm* is currently under negotiation for ELR rights with an US-publisher

**Thriller****Uwe Laub*****Blue Gold****The battle for water has begun*

Heyne, March 2024

480 p.

Blue Gold

Billionaire Ethan Holloway is close to achieving his goal. His company Sharpwater has built the gigantic production platform "Greifswald" off the German Baltic Sea coast. It is intended to tap freshwater deposits discovered under the seabed. In times of global warming and drought, these aquifers, which are available worldwide, could be the solution to one of humanity's most pressing problems. But the ceremonial opening of the Greifswald turns into a nightmare when a mysterious stranger hijacks the platform with the help of a mercenary force. His ultimatum: the drinking water must be communalised, otherwise the platform and all the prominent hostages on it will be blown up. The battle for blue gold has begun!

Mia Löw



Mia Löw studied law and German and worked as a lawyer and assistant director in the theatre. Today she writes successful New Zealand sagas, family mystery and romance novels. She lives in Hamburg with her family and dog.

Touching, mysterious, and full of French flair: Mia Löw's novel about a well-kept family secret and a fatal love.
Foreign Rights through AVA



**Novel****Mia Löw*****Shadows over Casa Speranza***

Knaur Verlag, August 2023
448 p.

Shadows over Casa Speranza

With the romantic family mystery novel *Shadows over the Casa Speranza*, Mia Löw takes us to Italy, to a fantastically beautiful holiday home today and 20 years ago.

A dramatic secret, an old debt and a new love in Liguria

For 14 years, Amrei Peters has tried to forget the dramatic end of her au pair time with the Podestà family - although she cannot really remember the evening that cost a life. Only from the account of her sisters Jessica and Laura, also au pairs in Italy, does she know of her guilt, because officially the death was classified as a tragic accident.

When Amrei is unexpectedly invited to Maria Podestà's wedding, she decides to finally tell the family the truth. But in the "Casa Speranza" on the Ligurian coast she not only meets her childhood sweetheart Alfredo again - but also comes across a shocking secret ...

Kate O' Hara



Kate O'Hara, who grew up in Germany, studied German language and literature as well as theatre film and television studies. After her degree, she published numerous short stories and reports as a travel writer, emigrated to the USA in the '90s, got married and became an American citizen. She worked for many years as a music and travel journalist for print media and radio before devoting herself to the historical novel genre.

The Caldwell Saga Volume 1 to 3 - sold to Czech Republic, Euromedia, foreign rights though AVA





Historical Novel

Kate O' Hara

For Ever and a Night

Knaur, August 2023
624 p.

For Ever and a Night

A love against all odds & America's most dazzling age.

Dramatic, glamorous and highly suspenseful, Kate O'Hara tells of a love that defies even fate, bringing to life the triumphs and tragedies of a turbulent era. This opulent historical novel tells of an unbreakable love affair battered by the storms of the 1920s, 1930s and 1940s in the USA.

Philadelphia, 1926: While jazz music beads from sophisticated nightclubs, Mafia clans control the streets. Thanks to Prohibition, alcohol smuggling promises immeasurable wealth.

When young Henry Ellwood meets waitress Alison McLean, who dreams of a career as a singer, she strikes his life like a meteor. The two swear eternal love for each other - but fate itself seems to be against their union: Henry makes a fatal decision that forces him to work for the mafia. Meanwhile, Alison is taken away to a remote farm at the instigation of her father, which she is not allowed to leave if she does not want to risk Henry's life

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Isabell Prophet

Never stop learning. This issue motivates Isabell Prophet in everything she reads and sees and does. Fascinated by the findings of science, Isabell Prophet researches out of insatiable curiosity; she writes to spread knowledge. Behind this is the conviction that we live more consciously and happily when we know more about how our bodies and our environment function.

Isabell Prophet, born in Celle in 1986, studied economics and a little history. After a traineeship in Celle, she attended the renowned Henri Nannen School of Journalism, worked at Spiegel Online and developed the online magazine ze.tt for the Zeit publishing house. In her podcast RUSH HOUR she talks about modern work and the issues of people over 30.



Non-Fiction

Isabell Prophet

Social Media

Who is actually behind it - and why? A look behind the scenes of social media for young people aged 12 and over

Carlsen Verlag, June 2023
224 p.

Social Media

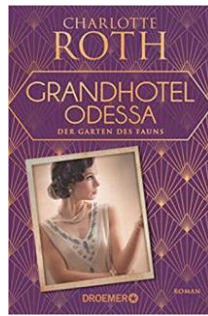
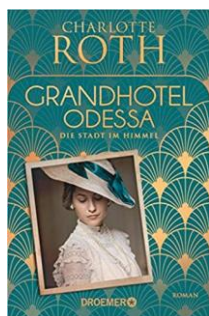
A thorough look behind the scenes of social networks - well researched, clearly structured and at eye level. Which companies are actually behind Instagram, TikTok and Co? How does social media affect our psyche? Can we protect ourselves against cyberbullying? And can you become rich as an influencer? Isabell Prophet explains vividly and at eye level which mechanisms shape social media and explores the question of how we can move self-determinedly and safely online.

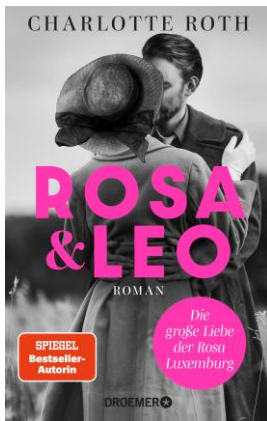
Charlotte Roth



Charlotte Roth, born in 1965, is a Berlin native, a literary scholar and has been a freelance writer for ten years. She now lives in London, but is driven across Europe by her globetrotting blood, making repeated stops in her beloved Berlin. Her debut *Als wir unsterblich waren* became a bestseller and has since been followed by numerous other novels about women's fates against the backdrop of German history.

Selection of novels by bestselling author Charlotte Roth – foreign rights through AVA





Novel

Charlotte Roth

Rosa and Leo

Rosa Luxemburg's great Love

Droemer Knauer, December 2023

448 p.

Rosa and Leo

Rosa Luxemburg's great love

This fascinating biographical novel by bestselling author Charlotte Roth tells the great, dramatic love story between the revolutionary Rosa Luxemburg and Leo Jogiches.

Rosa Luxemburg: thought leader, freedom fighter and passionate lover

Warsaw, 1889. From an early age, the girl Rosa dreams of a better, fairer world and is determined to fight for it. She is only seventeen when she has to flee to Switzerland all alone from the Tsar's militia.

In Zurich, the highly educated young woman begins her studies and meets Leo, who, like her, had to flee his homeland and is passionate about fighting for the disenfranchised of the world.

Beyond their common goal, they soon share a passionate love. But for them there is neither time nor space in the storms of their merciless epoch ...

A great love in times of turmoil:

With her emotional and gripping historical novel about Rosa Luxemburg and Leo Jogiches, bestselling author Charlotte Roth has created more than a highly exciting biography of a woman of immense courage: Her portrait of Rosa Luxemburg immerses us in a dramatic time of great political and social upheaval - and brings us close to a woman who fought for her values with as much commitment as she did for her love.

**Novel****Charlotte Roth*****The Wintergarten Women 2***
The Longing BurnsDroemer Knauer, September 2023
384 p.***The Wintergarten Women 2***
The Longing Burns

The *Wunderweiber* swing their way through Berlin's wildest time ... The story of the famous Wintergarten Varieté finally continues!

It's the Golden Twenties in Berlin in 1927 and the capital is dancing on a volcano. We're having a ball - that's the motto of the hot nights at the famous Wintergarten Variety Theatre. Here Nina Veltheim presents her wonder women, and her star is the "snake woman" Jenny Alomis, who balances champagne on the soles of her feet and steals the minds of all the men.

Privately, Jenny seems to have found happiness with Nina's brother Carlo, but the dancer in the storm harbours a dark secret that she doesn't even confide in Nina. She wants to forget the horror from which she fled her hometown of Riga.

But one day the past takes its toll ...

Champagne and short nights, high-flying hopes and falls into the bottomless pit: No one captures the dazzling atmosphere of Berlin in the twenties as captivatingly as bestselling author Charlotte Roth

The Wintergarten Women – The Dream Begins - Part 1. Foreign rights through AVA.
Part 3 will be published in autumn 2024.



Marie Sand



Marie Sand is Gabriele Borgmann's pseudonym. She studied art history, worked in newspaper editorial offices, and was involved for many years in a political foundation for the realization of human rights in South Asia. Since 2009, she has been advising nonfiction authors on concept and style while writing her first novel about a quiet heroine. It is the start of a series.

Her quiet heroines can be found through all eras and cultures. What they have in common is an indestructible core in their hearts. They remain true to themselves, growing in an almost defiant way in the face of danger. Such heroines step forward on the stage of life at the decisive moment and master the circumstances. The motif is love. It is loyalty. And it is the determination to remain confident, even when life is about to go off the rails.

Marie Sand lives and works in Berlin.

The debut novel by Marie Sand *A Child called Hope*, foreign rights through AVA





Novel

Marie Sand

Like a Star in a Moonless Night
The story of a secret heroine

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304 p.

Like a Star in a Moonless Night
The story of a secret heroine

To save the lives of unwanted babies, she has to risk freedom and reputation:

Marie Sand's new novel *Like a Star in a Moonless Night* tells the touching and harrowing story of midwife Henni Bartholdy, who, out of necessity, finds a baby hatch and is left to fend for herself from that moment on. The gap between rich and poor in 1950s Berlin is widening. The midwife Henni Bartholdy also sees this with growing concern. How can it be that in the Germany of the economic miracle, desperate mothers abandon or even kill their unwanted babies out of fear, shame and sheer need? When her young unmarried patient takes her own life after giving birth out of fear of the shame, when her neighbour living illegally in Germany threatens to kill her child because she cannot feed it, Henni knows: now she must act.

She puts up a box of oranges in the backyard of her house and hands out notes promising help. Until the first foundling actually lies in the flap - and lives! What seems like a miracle is threatened with punishment by politicians ...

In her novel about the baby hatch, Marie Sand sensitively and deeply tells a harrowing chapter of German post-war history that cannot be found in any history book. In doing so, she creates a monument to another "silent heroine", a midwife.

Frauke Scheunemann

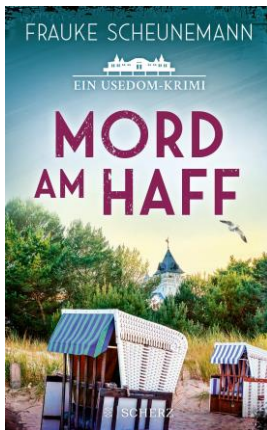


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Crime is looming on the sunny island of Usedom - the first case for radio reporter Franziska Mai and Inspector Kay Lorenz. Foreign rights through AVA

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Crime

Frauke Scheunemann

Murder at the Haff
Usedom Crime 2

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Murder at the Haff

A fast-paced murder hunt on the sunny island of Usedom

A series of burglaries is puzzling the police on Usedom and has the residents between Peenemünde and Ahlbeck in a state of excitement.

Naturally, radio reporter Franziska Mai wants to contribute to solving the thefts and also senses material for her programme on Bäderland-Radio, the small local radio station on the Baltic Sea.

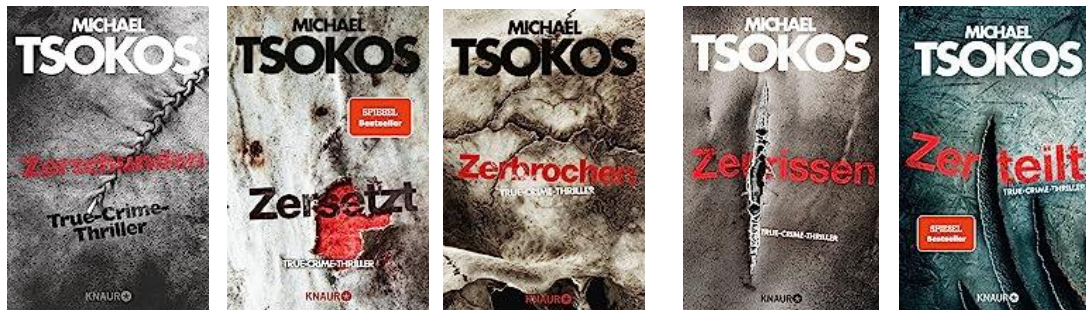
Meanwhile, Inspector Kay Lorenz smiles at Franziska's attempts to set a trap for the perpetrators - until the break-in at a luxury holiday resort claims one life. Now Kay has to rely on Franziska's help after all, because she is a decisive step ahead of him and is already chasing her first lead ...

Michael Tsokos



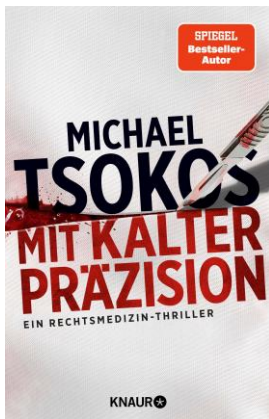
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Thriller

Michael Tsokos

With cold Precision
A Forensic Medicine Thriller

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400 p.

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With cold Precision

Sophisticated, precise & female:

Like Michael Tsokos thriller series about forensic doctors Paul Herzfeld and Fred Abel, the true-crime thriller with *Cold Precision* is based on a real case. The true-crime thriller with the first case for forensic scientist Sabine Yao scores with high tension and goosebumps guaranteed through authentic insights into forensics.

With Cold Precision is the start of the new forensic medicine series by Michael Tsokos. The main character is Dr. Sabine Yao, whom we already know as a forensic pathologist in the dissection room alongside Dr. Fred Abel from the famous Fred Abel thriller series by Michael Tsokos. As the new deputy chief of the forensic medicine department at the BKA's "Extreme Crimes" unit in Berlin, she now faces her first case of her own: The wife of the renowned plastic surgeon Roderich Kracht was strangled in her villa in an exclusive Berlin residence. Since Roderich Kracht is an influential man, with many prominent friends who have discreetly used his services for themselves, their wives or mistresses, the case quickly circles the heights of politics and justice. The investigating authorities must not make a mistake, and the first results are expected from the highest authorities. The investigators and forensic pathologists work under high pressure at the crime scene. Together with her colleague Jörgensen from the State Institute, the German-Chinese forensic pathologist is examining the dead wife. The manner and time of death are quickly determined. And Roderich Kracht is immediately ruled out as the perpetrator; he has an airtight alibi for the time of his wife's death.

But discrepancies arise, because the stage of rigor mortis of the victim causes great irritation and makes all experts doubt the determined time of death. A novelty in forensic medicine: rigor mortis and the calculated time of death do not match at all.

When discrepancies also arise in another case that is possibly connected to the murder, Sabine Yao realises that she must proceed with the utmost caution from now on. Obviously, a serial killer with forensic expertise is at work, who is always one step ahead of Yao.

With the support of her boss and mentor Prof. Paul Herzfeld and the IT specialist Sara Wittstock, Yao finally succeeds in tracking down the perpetrator and his perfidious deeds. But the murderer will stop at nothing to lure the forensic scientist into a deadly trap ...

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