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Luis Murschetz
Hamster's Journey

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The enchanting classic children's book about a clever hamster who rebels and wheels himself out into the big wide world. Our hero Radel has to attract customers in his hamster wheel, so as to lead a miserable life – until he and the town's other hamsters manage to break out, leave their wooden prisons behind, and find delightful accommodation in a wheat field – very close to the field where Grabowski the mole lives.

Children's Books
32 pages
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Awards

1998	Österreichisches ›Ehrenkreuz der I. Klasse für Wissenschaft und Kunst‹
1997	›Olaf-Gulbransson‹-Preis
1971	›Schwabinger Kunstpreis‹

Praise

Hamster's Journey

»Murschetz tells the story of his small hero with the black button eyes, in such touching and magical words and pictures that every child wishes for a happy ending behind the turnip field.« – Die Zeit, Hamburg

Luis Murschetz

»Luis Murschetz is a master of refinement.« – Süddeutsche Zeitung, Munich

»His oeuvre of drawings proffers a surely unparalleled wealth of ideas, as well as technical mastery, in which there is no room for bungling.« – Johannes Willms / Süddeutsche Zeitung, Munich

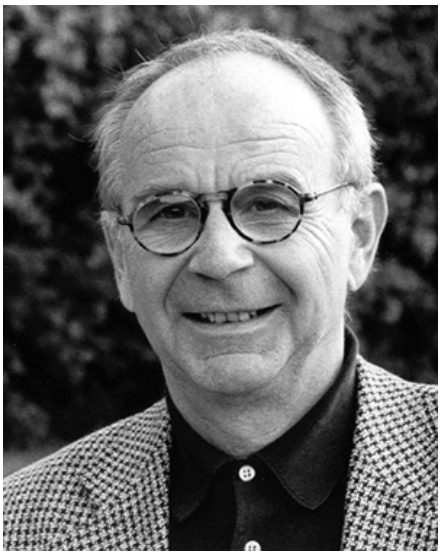
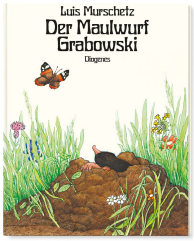


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Luis Murschetz (1936 – 2026) was born in Velenje. After training at the school of arts and crafts in Graz, he spent several years in Rotterdam and London. In 1962 he moved to Munich, where he lived and worked thereafter. He worked as caricaturist and illustrator, amongst others for the newspapers *Die Zeit* and *Süddeutsche Zeitung.* Luis Murschetz was awarded the ›Schwabinger Art Award‹, the ›Olaf-Gulbransson-Award‹ and the ›Austrian Honorary Cross for Sciences and Art, 1st Class‹.



Mister Mole
32 pages
1972