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#### Awards

- 2024 ›GLAUSER-Preis‹ in der Kategorie  
Roman für *Kalman und der schlafende  
Berg*
- 2023 ›Bündner Literaturpreis‹ für *Tell*
- 2022 *Tell* ist SBVV-›Lieblingsbuch 2022‹ des  
Deutschschweizer Buchhandels
- 2021 *Kalman* auf dem 3. Platz des zum  
ersten Mal verliehenen ›Schweizer  
Krimipreises‹
- 2021 ›Crime Cologne Award‹ für *Kalman*

#### Praise

Joachim B. Schmidt

›An incredibly vivid sense of place, and a  
gifted storyteller.« – Welt am Sonntag, Berlin

›Schmidt reveals himself to be an incredibly  
empathetic and skilled narrator with a strong  
sense for light humour.« – Hanspeter  
Eggenberger / Tages-Anzeiger, Zurich

›Joachim B. Schmidt is a genius narrator and  
author who pulls his readers into the action,  
along with his characters and their complex  
inner lives.« – Lisa Wieser / Rhein-Neckar-  
Zeitung, Heidelberg

›A welcome addition to the Icelandic literary  
flora.« – Egill Helgason / RÚV, Reykjavik

Kalman is a lovable eccentric in the village of Raufarhöfn, high up in the rugged north of Iceland. Ever since his father gave him a sheriff's hat years ago, he has regarded himself as the village's sheriff. And in this role, once again, he has a lot on his plate: While the town is heatedly debating the salmon farm that the Norwegians are planning, he discovers an old tin box containing a huge amount of money. It awakens desires, and before long Kalman is embroiled in a murky game.



Joachim B. Schmidt, born in 1981, grew up in the Swiss canton of Grisons before emigrating to Iceland in 2007. His novels are bestsellers and have won numerous awards, including the ›Crime Cologne Award‹ and, most recently, the ›Glaser Prize‹. A dual citizen, Schmidt lives in Reykjavik with his wife and their two children.

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