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Hugo Loetscher
Autumn in the Big Orange

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»Los Angeles, the Big Orange, lots of segments around nothing. In such segments he had spent his autumn. How green was this autumn.« Loetscher's melancholy satire revolves around the theme of ›autumn‹ in many ways: the season in a landscape between desert and ocean in which, strictly speaking, there is no autumn; autumn in the protagonist's life; and, ultimately, the autumn of a civilisation.

Book factsheet

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Movie adaptation

Mittwoch
Director: Markus Silberschmidt

Awards

- 2006 Erster Preis des Lyrikwettbewerbs des Festival Rilke in Sierre für *Es war einmal die Welt*
- 2004 Ehrenbürger der Gemeinde Escholzmatt (Kanton Luzern)
- 2000 Werkbeitrag des Kantons Zürich im Bereich Literatur
- 1999 Ehrengabe der Stadt Zürich im Bereich Literatur
- 1999 Ehrengabe des Kantons Zürich im Bereich Literatur
- 1996 Literaturpreis der Brasserie Lipp für *Die Fliege und die Suppe*: Auszeichnung für Hugo Loetscher sowie für die Übersetzung ins Französische von Jean-Claude Capèle
- 1994 Kreuz des Südens (Orden für Verdienste um die brasiliatische Kultur)
- 1992 Großer Schiller-Preis der Schweizerischen Schillerstiftung
- 1989 Ehrengabe der Stadt Zürich für *Die Fliege und die Suppe*
- 1986 Preis der Luzerner Förderungs-Kommission
- 1985 Ehrengabe der Schweizerischen Schiller-Stiftung
- 1985 Literaturpreis der Zürcher Kantonalbank
- 1983 Mozart-Medaille der Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Stiftung, Basel
- 1972 Literaturpreis der Stadt Zürich
- 1966 C.F. Meyer Preis
- 1964 Charles Veillon Preis für *Abwässer. Ein Gutachten*
- 1964 »Charles Veillon Preis« für *Abwässer. Ein Gutachten*

Praise

Hugo Loetscher

»Hugo Loetscher is a wonderful narrator whose formulation of weighty thoughts is as light as a feather.« – Sonntags Zeitung, Zurich

»Punchlines, quirky humour, startling observations, witty comments – there's never a moment of boredom with Hugo Loetscher.« – Jürg Altwegg / Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung



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Hugo Loetscher (1929 – 2009) was one of Switzerland's most famous writers with novels such as *Sewage* and *The Immune Man*. In his role as journalist, he travelled to Latin America, Southeast Asia and the USA regularly. He always held a particular interest in photography. Hugo Loetscher, who lived in Zurich, was a visiting lecturer at universities in Switzerland, the USA, Germany and Portugal; and a member of the Darmstadt Academy for Language and Poetry. In 1992, he was awarded the >Schiller Prize< by Switzerland's Schiller Foundation.



*So Few Letters, So Much
World*
480 pages
2024



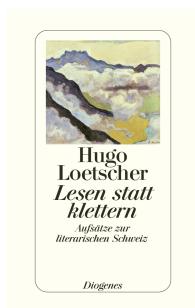
Inventing Discovery
384 pages
2016



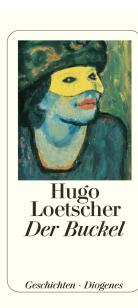
Wonder World
416 pages
2009



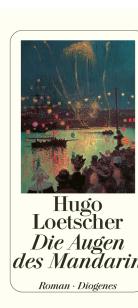
*Once There Was the
World*
128 pages
2004



Read, Don't Climb!
448 pages
2003



The Hunchback
224 pages
2002



The Eyes of the Mandarin
384 pages
1999



Season
416 pages
1995



The Preaching Rooster
Das literarisch-moralische Nutztiere
376 pages
1992



Culinarieties
144 pages
1991



The Wreath Maker
192 pages
1989



The Fly and the Soup
und 33 andere Tiere
in 33 anderen Situationen
224 pages
1989



Abwässer
Ein Gutachten
160 pages
1989

★ Award winner



The Laundry Room Key
192 pages
1988

Movie Adaptation



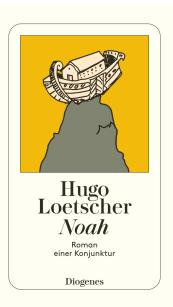
Telling about Story-Telling
Was - wenn Gott Schweizer wäre
176 pages
1988



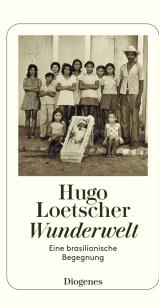
Papers of the Immune Man
512 pages
1986



The Immune Man
448 pages
1985



Noah
Roman einer Konjunktur
144 pages
1984



Was My Time My Time
192 pages
1983