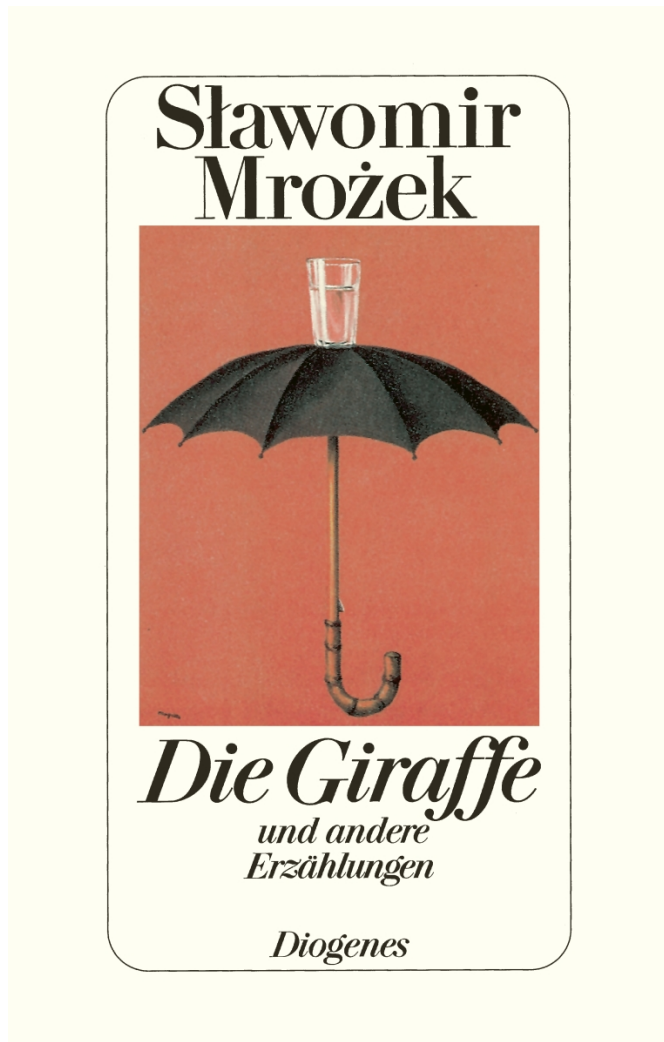


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Slawomir Mrozek
The Giraffe

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Mrozek's creativity covers everything from the dark parable about the 'condition humaine' to playful, seemingly naïve stories and slapstick-like fables. For all the differences with regard to themes, the texts have one thing in common: their subtle humour and their joyful treatment of the ludicrous which characterises Mrozek's entire oeuvre.

Book factsheet

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🎬 Movie adaptations

1978: *Amor*

Director: Jerzy Lipman
Cast: Andy Pap, Martin Lüttge, Ingeborg
Lapsien, Dieter Prochnow

1966: *The Enchanted Night*

Director: George R. Foa
Cast: Bernard Finch, Dudley Foster, Margaret
Nolan, Richard Pearson

1966: *En förtrollad natt*

Director: Yngve Nordwall
Cast: John Harryson, Nils Nygren, Kerstin
Tidelius

1964: *Das Martyrium des Peter O'Hey*

Director: Peter Lilienthal
Cast: Angelika Hurwicz, Joachim Wichmann

1963: *Striptease*

Director: Peter Lilienthal
Cast: Max Haufler, Joachim Wichmann

🏆 Awards

- 2012 Ehrendoktor der polnischen Universität Slaski
- 2006 Deutsch-Polnischer Literaturpreis ›Samuel-Bogumil-Linde-Preis‹ für sein Gesamtwerk
- 2000 Am siebten Internationalen Budapester Buchfestival erhält Mrozek den Budapest Grand Prix
- 1994 Erster Preis für ›Liebe auf der Krim‹ (Milosc na Krymie) beim Wettbewerb um das beste Theaterstück in Paris
- 1993 Hitar-Petar-Preis des Hauses für Satire und Humor in Gabrowo, Bulgarien
- 1987 Franz-Kafka-Literaturpreis, Klosterneuburg, Österreich
- 1984 Jahrespreis des ›Polnischen Schriftstellerverbandes in der Fremde‹, London
- 1972 Österreichischer Staatspreis für Europäische Literatur
- 1964 Prix de l'Humour Noir für ›Der Elefant‹ (Slon)
- 1954 ›Julian-Brun-Preis‹ für journalistische Arbeiten

Praise

Slawomir Mrozek



Praise (cont'd)

»Mrozek's literature is addictive.« – El País, Barcelona

»The author, known primarily as a playwright, reveals himself as a writer of incisive prose who captures the absurdity of reality and its interaction with unreality in polished, witty formulations.« – Neue Zürcher Zeitung

»Brilliant [...] the writer is an Aesop for our times.« – Publishers' Weekly, New York

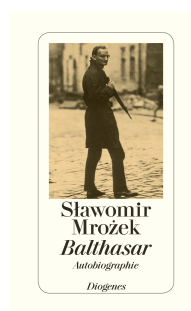
Slawomir Mrozek was born in Borzeczyn, Poland, in 1930. He was first known as a caricaturist and author of satirical short stories. His plays (*Tango*, *The Emigrants*, *Striptease*, and many others) made him world famous. In 1968 he went into exile. After living many years in Paris and later in Mexico, he returned to Poland in 1996 and spent the final years of his life in southern France. He died on August 15, 2013 in Nice.



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544 pages
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Carnival or The First Wife of Adam
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Baltazar
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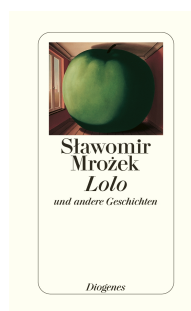
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2006



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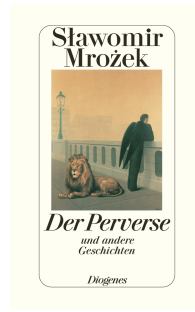


Amor
544 pages
1998

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Emigrants
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The Pervert
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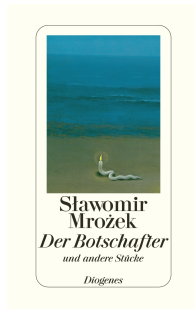
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Tango
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1993



The Ambassador
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