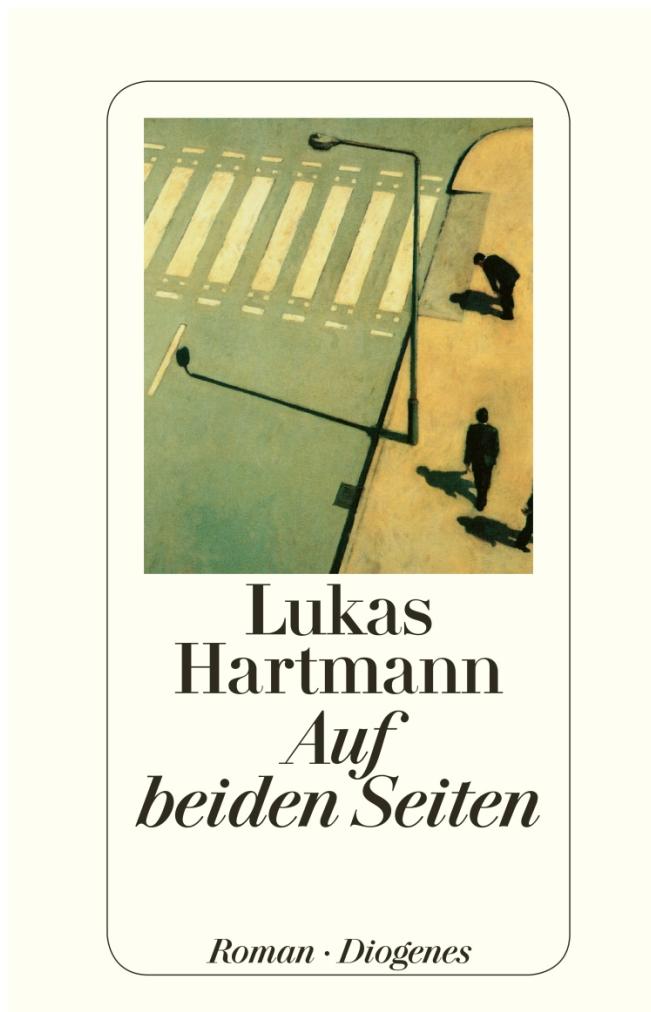


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Dr. Armand Gruber always played an imposing role in Swiss journalist Mario's life. Gruber is a man of old school ways. A brilliant German teacher, Swiss Army captain, fervent anti-communist. And for decades, he had been leading a double life. No one suspected anything. Not his wife and not his daughter Bettina, who had rebelled against her father her entire life. Nor his former favourite student and son-in-law Mario, who had to break away from Gruber, in order to become a left-wing journalist. Nor Bettina's best friend Karina, who, as a daughter of a custodian working for the Swiss secret service, grew up in close proximity to Gruber's secret. For he was a member of the secret resistance organisation of the Swiss army, P-26. Now, two decades after the end of the Cold War, Gruber can finally break his silence.

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Bestseller

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Movie adaptations

2007: *Die Prinzessin von Sansibar*

Director: Tina Diaz
Screenplay: Tina Diaz
Cast: Dokumtarfilm mit Spielszenen

1992: *Anna annA*

Director: Greti & Jürgen Brauer Kläy
Screenplay: Lukas & Greti Kläy Hartmann
Cast: Lea Hürlimann, Wanda Hürlimann, Ilona Schulz

1989: *Pestalozzis Berg*

Director: Peter von Gunten
Cast: Gian Maria Volonté, Rolf Hoppe, Mathias Gnädinger, Corinna Harfouch

Awards

- 2018 »Literaturpreis« Kanton Bern für *Ein Bild von Lydia*
- 2016 Generationenbuchpreis »Prix Chronos« für *Mein Dschinn*
- 2010 »Grosser Literaturpreis von Stadt und Kanton Bern« für sein Gesamtwerk
- 2010 »Sir Walter Scott-Literaturpreis« für *Bis ans Ende der Meere*
- 2001 Ehrenliste des Österreichischen Kinder- und Jugendbuchpreises: *Leo Schmetterling*
- 1996 Preis der Schweizerischen Schillerstiftung für *Die Mohrin*
- 1995 Schweizer Jugendbuchpreis für *So eine lange Nase*
- 1995 »Luchs 108« von *Die Zeit* und Radio Bremen für *Die Mohrin*
- 1993 Buchpreis der Stadt Bern für *Die Seuche*
- 1988 Werkjahr der Pro Helvetia sowie von Stadt und Kanton Bern für *Einer stirbt in Rom*
- 1983 Werkjahr der Pro Helvetia für *Aus dem Innern des Mediums*
- 1980 Buchpreis der Stadt Bern für *Pestalozzis Berg*
- 1980 Buchpreis der Schillerstiftung für *Pestalozzis Berg*

Praise

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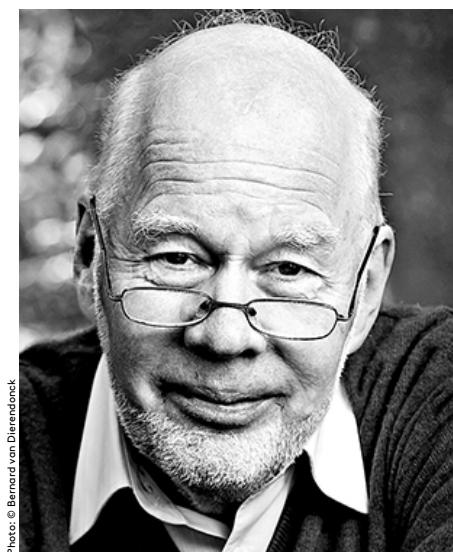


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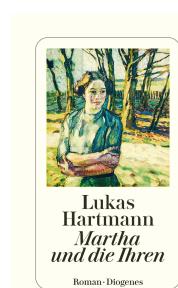
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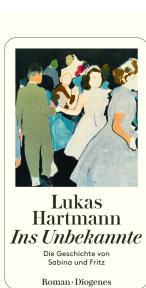
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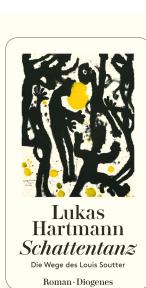
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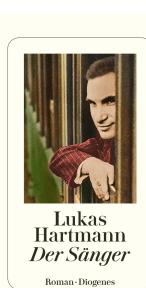
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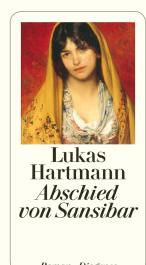
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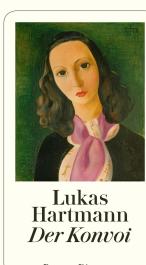
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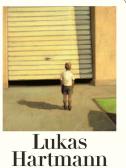
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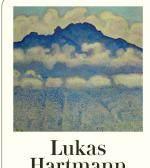
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