

Hartmut Lange
The Educational Trip

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Really, Müller-Lengsfeldt, an art teacher from Berlin, would like to concentrate exclusively on Ancient Rome and the work of Johann Winckelmann, the famous researcher into Antiquity. Unfortunately, however, an attractive female travel guide called Regina Ziegler is tenaciously pursued by Müller-Lengsfeldt's rival, Schmeer, and an ominous peregrine falcon keeps on appearing, as baffling and enigmatic as the nocturnal activities outside his hotel room. And through it all is the mystery of the figure around whom his thoughts unceasingly revolve: why did Winckelmann leave the city of his dreams in such a hurry in April 1768? Was his hurried departure connected with his gruesome murder two months later in Trieste? The more Müller-Lengsfeldt ponders on Winckelmann - a contradictory figure with a mysterious double life - and his state of mind, the more restless and confused he becomes. He sets out to follow his role model on a journey into the unknown whose destination is as doubtful as the possibility of return.

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Awards

- 2016 2016/2017 mit dem ›Rom-Preis‹
verbundenes Stipendiat in der
Deutschen Akademie Rom Villa
Massimo
- 2005 Drei Monate lang Stipendiat der
Hermann-Hesse-Stiftung in Calw
- 2004 ›Literatur-Nord-Preis‹ für *Leptis Magna*
- 2003 ›Italo-Svevo-Preis‹
- 2000 ›Kester-Häusler-Ehregabe‹ der
Deutschen Schillerstiftung von 1859 für
das Lebenswerk
- 1998 ›Literaturpreis‹ der Konrad-Adenauer-
Stiftung
- 1995 Schnitzlers *Würgeengel* ›Buch des
Monats‹ Mai der Darmstädter Jury
- 1989 ›Prix de la littérature traduite‹ für *Die
Waldsteinsonate*
- 1968 ›Gerhart-Hauptmann-Preis‹
- 1966 ›Förderpreis‹ der Niedersächsischen
Landesregierung

Praise

Hartmut Lange

»His novellas are master narratives about the magical force of shadows creeping up unnoticed.« – Hans-Dieter Schütt / (German journalist)

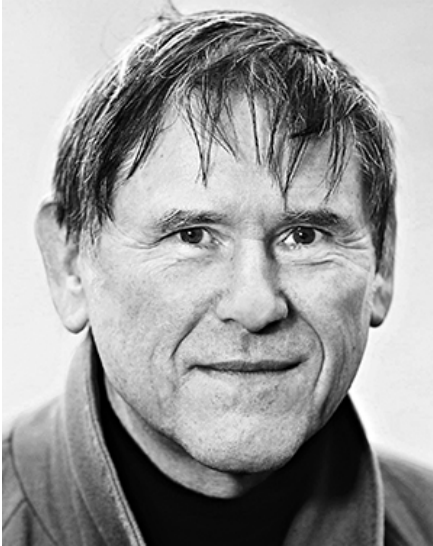
»The master of linguistic stringency.« – Kristina Maidt-Zinke / Süddeutsche Zeitung, Munich

»A minimalist with far-reaching effect.« – Hans-Christian Kosler / Neue Zürcher Zeitung

»Hartmut Lange deserves being read with particular attention because he clearly differs from loud drummers, such as Grass or Boll, on the other side of the Rhine. One feels reminded of the plays by Maeterlinck and Wedekind.« – Alain Bosquet / Le Figaro, Paris

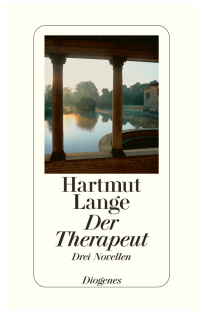
»The fragile elegance of his style is unmatched in contemporary literature.« – Werner Fuld / Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung

»The master among the fantastical rationalists.« – Edelgard Abenstein / Deutschlandradio Kultur, Berlin



Hartmut Lange, born in Berlin in 1937, studied theatrical production. He has been honoured with several awards for his plays, essays and prose. His most recent publication is the volume of novellas *At the Oslo Fjord or The Stranger*. He is now a freelance writer and lives in Berlin.

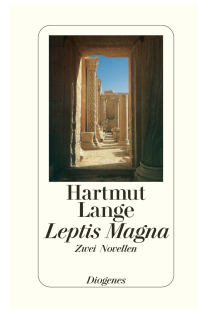
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| <p>Hartmut Lange <i>Der Blick aus dem Fenster</i> Diogenes</p> <p><i>The View from the Window</i> 112 pages 2015</p> | <p>Hartmut Lange <i>Das Haus in der Dorotheenstraße</i> Novellen · Diogenes</p> <p><i>The House on Dorothea Street</i> 128 pages 2013</p> | <p>Hartmut Lange <i>Im Museum</i> Diogenes</p> <p><i>In the Museum</i> 128 pages 2011</p> | <p>Hartmut Lange <i>Der Abgrund des Endlichen</i> Drei Novellen · Diogenes</p> <p><i>The Abyss of the Finite</i> 144 pages 2009</p> |



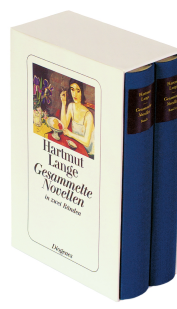
The Therapist
160 pages
2007



The Wanderer
128 pages
2005



Leptis Magna
176 pages
2003
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Collected Novellas
1152 pages
2002



Knowledge from Error
208 pages
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