# Diogenes

Book factsheet

## Hansjörg Schneider
## *Death of a Doctor*

Published by Diogenes as *Tod einer Ärztin*
Original title: *Tod einer Ärztin*




On a hot summer Monday Inspector Hunkeler receives an urgent phone call from his family doctor's receptionist: Dr Christa Erni has been found murdered in her practice. Suspicious circumstances soon come to light concerning a group of drug addicts who were supplied with methadone by the liberal doctor. But Hunkeler's instinct for the darkest depths of the human soul leads him in other directions.

Crime Fiction, Contemporary Literature
240 pages
11.3 × 18 cm
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### Bestseller

Swiss Bestseller

### Movie adaptations

**2011: Hunkeler und die Augen des Ödipus. TV-Verfilmung SF 1**
Director: Christian von Castelberg
Screenplay: Dominik Bernet
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Axel Milberg, Marie Leuenberger

**2011: Silberkiesel. Hunkeler tritt ab**
Director: Markus Fischer
Screenplay: Dominik Bernet
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Gilles Tschudi, Charlotte Heinimann, Cynthia Coray und Ercan Durmaz.

**2009: Hunkeler und der Fall Livius**
Director: Stefan Jäger
Screenplay: Dominik Bernet
Cast: Matthias Gnädinger, Klaus Henner Russius, Gilles Tschudi, Jean Pierre Gos

**2008: Hunkeler macht Sachen**
Director: Markus Fischer
Screenplay: Dominik Bernet
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Charlotte Heinimann, Oliver Tobias

**2005: Tod einer Ärztin**
Director: Markus Fischer
Screenplay: Markus Fischer
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Charlotte Heinimann, André Jung

**2004: Das Paar im Kahn**
Director: Marie-Louise Bless
Cast: Mathias Gnädinger, Gilles Tschudi, Andrea Bettini

**1981: Sennentuntschi. Fernsehspiel**
Director: Hansjörg Schneider
Cast: Joseph Arnold, Walo Lüönd, Hanspeter Müller-Drossaart, Maja Stolle

### Awards

2018 ›Ehrendoktor‹ der Philosophisch-Historischen Fakultät der Universität Basel
2016 ›Ehrenpreis Burgdorfer Krimitage‹ für *Hunkeler*-Reihe

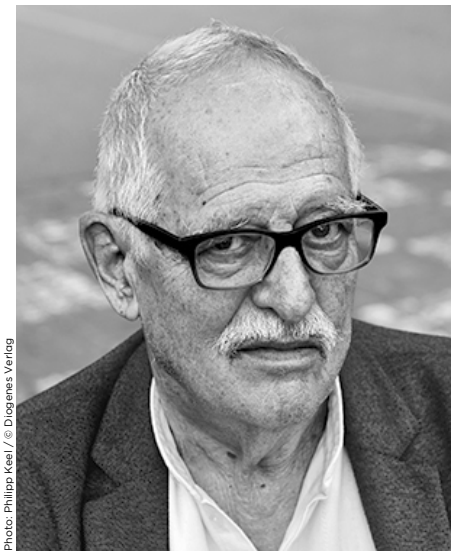


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Hansjörg Schneider, born in Aarau, Switzerland, in 1938, worked as a teacher and journalist. For a long time, he was one of the most performed playwrights in the German language and his *Hunkeler* crime novels are regularly on the Swiss Bestseller list. Hansjorg Schneider has received numerous awards, among them the ›Friedrich Glauser Prize‹ in 2005. He lives and writes in Basel.




*Sparrows at the Fountain*
208 pages
2023
**Bestseller**




*The Owl over the Rhine*
288 pages
2021
**Bestseller**




*Hunkeler in the Wilderness*
224 pages
2020
**Bestseller**




*In the Café and on the Street*
240 pages
2019




*Child of the Aare*
352 pages
2018
**Bestseller**




*Dear Leo*
304 pages
2016




*Hunkeler's Secret*
208 pages
2015




*Hunkeler and the ›Golden Hand‹*
240 pages
2013

## Awards (cont'd)

2005 ›Friedrich-Glauser-Preis‹ für *Hunkeler macht Sachen*
2003 Schweizer Schillerpreis
1998 Wetzlarer Phantastikpreis
1986 Aargauer Literaturpreis
1986 Literaturpreis der Stadt Basel
1981 Werkjahr des Kantons Zürich
1979 Werkjahr der Pro Helvetia
1977 Stipendiat des Berliner Künstlerprogramms (DAAD)
1976 ›Preis der Welti-Stiftung für das Drama‹ *Der Erfinder*

## Praise

Hansjörg Schneider

»Hansjörg Schneider is a talented and conscientious storyteller.« – Sabine Brandt / Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung

»Hansjörg Schneider has created a wonderful protagonist: rugged, awkward and likeable.« – Volker Albers / Hamburger Abendblatt

»Hansjörg Schneider's crime stories will have you hooked. As soon as a murderer is caught, you are already longing for the next one to appear.« – Benedikt Scherer / Tages-Anzeiger, Zurich

»Ideal for anyone who enjoys Martin Beck, Wallander and Maigret.« – crimefictionlover.com

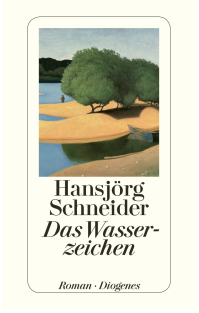
»Hansjörg Schneider is very addictive! Definitely one of the greatest German speaking authors.« – Jochen Schmoldt / Plärrer, Nürnberg




*The Murder of Anton Livius*
256 pages
2013
**Movie Adaptation**
**Bestseller**




*The Basel Killings*
288 pages
2013
**Award winner**
**Movie Adaptation**




*The Watermark*
304 pages
2013




*Hippos under the House*
224 pages
2012




*Night Book for Astrid*
128 pages
2012




*The Couple on the Barge*
224 pages
2011
**Movie Adaptation**
**Bestseller**




*The Fluttering Man*
160 pages
2011
**Bestseller**




*Silver Pebbles*
240 pages
2011
**Movie Adaptation**
**Bestseller**




*Hunkeler and the Eyes of Oedipus*
240 pages
2010
**Movie Adaptation**
**Bestseller**