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The Museum of German History in Berlin – a ›warehouse full of rubbish‹? Or a place that makes history visible? One thing is for sure, it's a place of baffling apparitions. A museum employee leaves under unusual circumstances. A visitor cannot find the exit. A dark corridor leads to a vanished world. A Stasi officer guards his own past. The restless ghost of Adolf Hitler wanders through the rooms. A mother and her child search for heaven. Rodin's *The Thinker* is put to the question.

A museum can be enriched a great deal by literature. In this novel, the imaginary world transcends the real one, and the seven episodes of this book show just how thrilling, moving, illuminating and uncanny it can be. Whoever reads it will not ever be able to look at a museum in the same way again.

Hartmut Lange's prose overcomes space and time, bringing to life not only the shadows which can be found in such a place, but also the great mysterious questions of our very existence.

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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

In the Museum

»... he is one of the masters of a technique
that blurs light and dark, seeming and being
...« – Neues Deutschland, Berlin

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

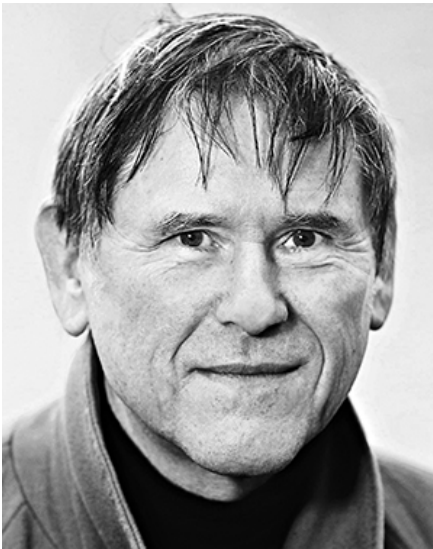
»The master of linguistic stringency.« –
Kristina Maidt-Zinke / Süddeutsche Zeitung,
Munich

»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

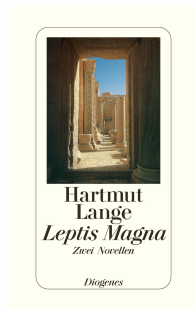


Hartmut Lange, born in Berlin in 1937, studied theatrical production. He has been honoured with several awards for his plays, essays and prose. His most recent publication is the volume of novellas *At the Oslo Fjord or The Stranger*. He is now a freelance writer and lives in Berlin.

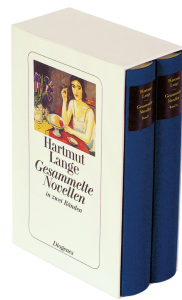
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<p>Hartmut Lange <i>Der Blick aus dem Fenster</i> Diogenes</p> <p><i>The View from the Window</i> 112 pages 2015</p>	<p>Hartmut Lange <i>Das Haus in der Dorotheenstraße</i> Novellen · Diogenes</p> <p><i>The House on Dorothea Street</i> 128 pages 2013</p>	<p>Hartmut Lange <i>Der Abgrund des Endlichen</i> Drei Novellen Diogenes</p> <p><i>The Abyss of the Finite</i> 144 pages 2009</p>	<p>Hartmut Lange <i>Der Therapeut</i> Drei Novellen Diogenes</p> <p><i>The Therapist</i> 160 pages 2007</p>



The Wanderer
128 pages
2005



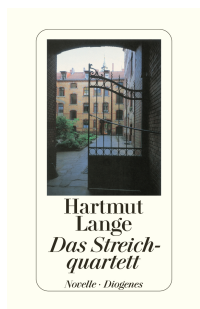
Leptis Magna
176 pages
2003
🏆 **Award winner**



Collected Novellas
1152 pages
2002



Knowledge from Error
208 pages
2002



The String Quartet
144 pages
2001



The Educational Trip
128 pages
2000



A Different Kind of Happiness
144 pages
1999



The ›Waldstein‹ Sonata
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