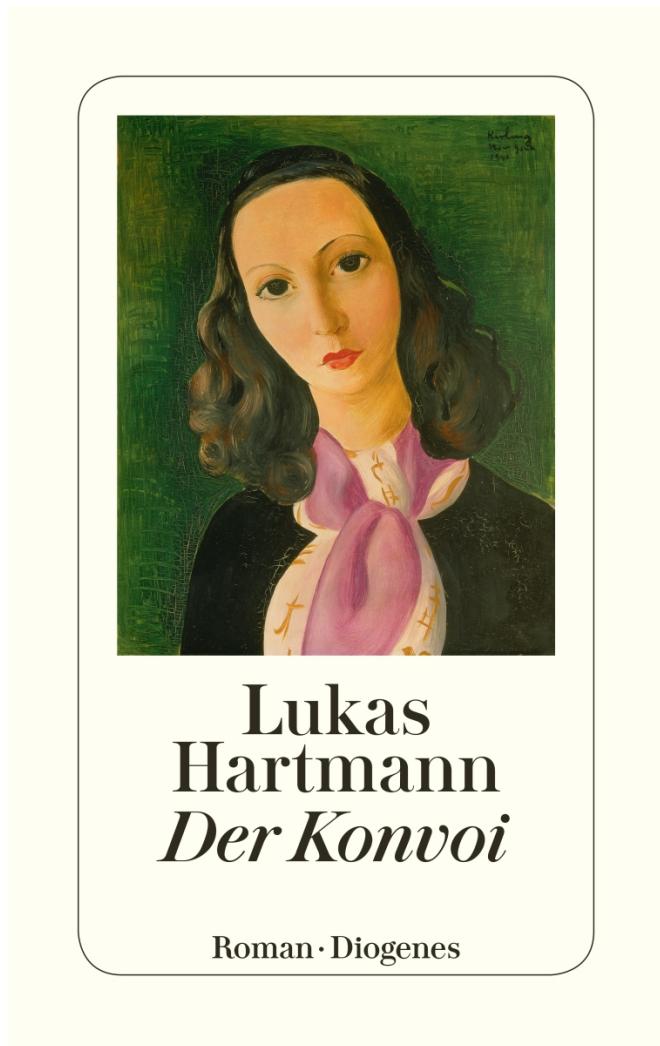


Diogenes

Lukas Hartmann
The Convoy

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Original title: *Der Konvoi*



A gripping novel about the unexpected kindling of love, about wavering certainties and destroyed ideals. In November 1918, shortly after the end of the World War I, Europe is in turmoil. In Switzerland, just as the general strike begins, chance brings together a young soldier and a Russian woman. Elena Gogobaridse belongs to the diplomatic delegation of the young Soviet Union in Berne. Samuel Brülhart, a village teacher in his civilian life, is entrusted with bringing her and the other Communist diplomats out of the country in a vehicle convoy. When it comes to background and political conviction, Elena and Samuel could not be more different. But during the three days of an eventful journey across Switzerland, they are drawn closer and closer together.

Book factsheet

General Fiction
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Movie adaptations

2007: *Die Prinzessin von Sansibar*

Director: Tina Diaz
Screenplay: Tina Diaz
Cast: Dokumentarfilm 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

The Convoy

»An unusual love story which captivates the reader, and a brilliantly researched and hitherto practically unknown piece of history, are subtly interwoven in this novel.« – Hannoversche Allgemeine

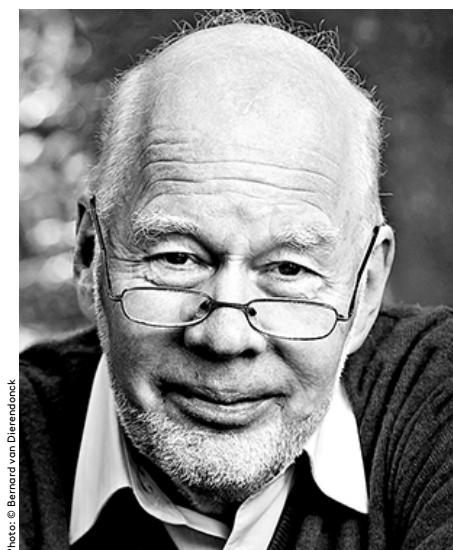


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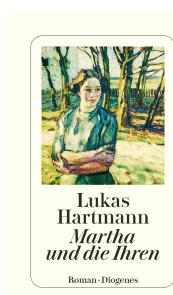
»Lukas Hartmann develops great poetic power, full of sensibility and eloquent silence.« – Neue Zürcher Zeitung

»Lukas Hartmann immerses himself totally in his characters. He has a particular interest in figures who are in danger of being swallowed up by history. He is driven by a strong sense of justice, empathy and meticulousness.« – Beatrice Eichmann-Leutenegger / Neue Zürcher Zeitung

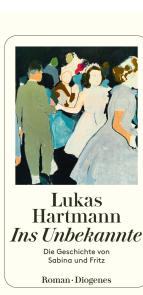
»A virtuoso of the historical novel.« – Charles Linsmayer / NZZ am Sonntag, Zurich

»Lukas Hartmann knows how to write history in a way that puts the present in a different light.« – Augsburger Allgemeine

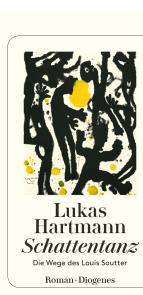
Lukas Hartmann, born in Berne in 1944, studied German and psychology. He was a teacher, journalist and media consultant. Today, he is a freelance writer living in Berne, writing books for adults and children. He is one of Switzerland's best-known authors and his novels regularly feature on the bestseller lists.



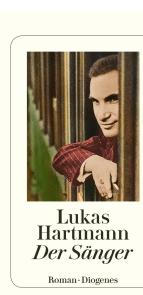
Martha and Her Kin
304 pages
2024
 Bestseller



Into the Unknown
288 pages
2022
 Bestseller



Shadow Dance
256 pages
2021
 Bestseller



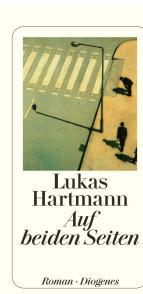
The Singer
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 Bestseller



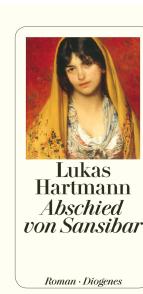
A Picture of Lydia
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2018
 Award winner
 Bestseller



A Suitable Tenant
368 pages
2016
 Bestseller



On Both Sides
336 pages
2015
 Bestseller



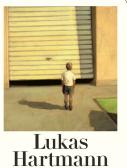
Goodbye to Zanzibar
336 pages
2013
 Movie Adaptation
 Bestseller



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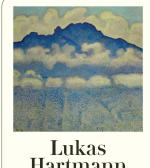
A Robber's Life
352 pages
2012



Lukas
Hartmann
*Finsternes
Glück*

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Dark Bliss
320 pages
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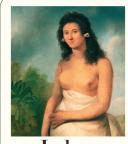
Pestalozzi's Mountain
208 pages
2009



Lukas
Hartmann
Die Seuche

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The Plague
224 pages
2009



Lukas
Hartmann
*Bis ans Ende
der Meere*

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To the End of the Sea
496 pages
2009

