

Diogenes

Leon de Winter
City of Dogs

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The renowned Dutch brain surgeon Jaap Hollander has retired, but still can't find peace. Ever since his daughter disappeared in Israel ten years ago, he has returned each year to where it happened. This time, he is unexpectedly asked during the trip to carry out an incredibly risky brain operation. He agrees, even though the chances of success are minimal, because not only the life of his powerful patient depends on it, but perhaps also a new clue leading to his daughter's whereabouts.

Book factsheet

General Fiction
272 pages
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Movie adaptations

2003: SuperTex
Director: Jan Schütt
Cast: Stephen Mangan, Jan Decleir

2001: The Hollywood Sign
Director: Sönke Wortmann
Cast: Burt Reynolds, Rod Steiger, Tom Berenger

1993: Hoffman's honger
Director: Leon de Winter
Cast: Jacqueline Bisset, Elliot Gould, Thom Hoffman, Huub Stapel

Awards

2009 Literaturpreis der Provinz Brabant (»Schrijversprijs der Brabantse Letteren«) für *Das Recht auf Rückkehr*
2006 Buber-Rosenzweig-Medaille
2002 WELT-Literaturpreis für sein Gesamtwerk
2002 »Welt-Literaturpreis« für Leon de Winter: »Die Jury ehrt Leon de Winter für seine so komplex wie spannend angelegten Romane, die am Beispiel meist jüdischer Protagonisten hochkomisch und psychologisch einfühlsam vom Getriebensein des modernen Menschen erzählen. Sein Schreiben zeichnet sich durch einen souveränen Wechsel von Nähe und Distanz im Hinblick auf seine Figuren aus, durch ein meisterliches Gespür für pointierte Dialoge, durch die gekonnte Verknüpfung verschiedener Haupt- und Nebenhandlungen, die seine Bücher so komplex wie spannend machen. Er wird für sein Gesamtwerk geehrt.«
1978 »Reina Prinsen Geerlings-Preis« für *De (ver)wording van de jongere Dürer*

Praise

Leon de Winter

»Ingenious, entertaining, funny – always to the surprise and delight of the reader.« – Volker Hage / *Der Spiegel*, Hamburg

»Leon de Winter stokes the fires of the imagination until the pages are ablaze. It's an approach that makes him unique.« – *De Volkskrant*, Amsterdam

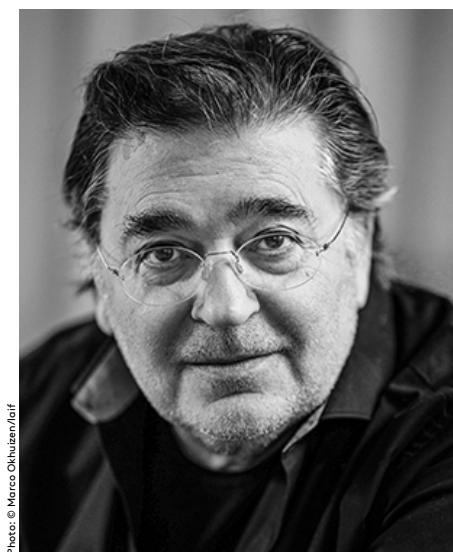
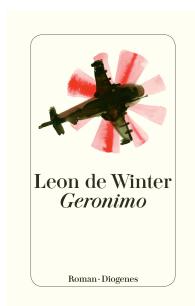


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Leon de Winter was born in 's-Hertogenbosch in 1954, the son of Dutch Jews. He has worked as a freelance writer and filmmaker since 1976, and lives in the Netherlands. In 2002, he was awarded the *'Welt Literature Prize'*; in 2006, the *'Buber-Rosenzweig Medal'* for his fight against Antisemitism; and in 2009, the *'Brabant Literature Prize'* for *The Right of Return*.



Leon de Winter
Geronimo

Roman · Diogenes
Geronimo
448 pages
2016
Bestseller



Leon de Winter
Ein gutes Herz

VSV
512 pages
2013
Bestseller



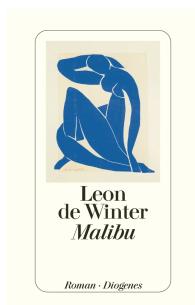
Leon de Winter
*Das Recht auf
Rückkehr*

Roman · Diogenes
The Right to Return
560 pages
2009
Bestseller



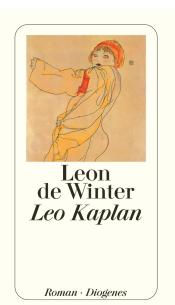
Leon de Winter
*Place de la
Bastille*

Roman · Diogenes
Place de la Bastille
160 pages
2005
Bestseller



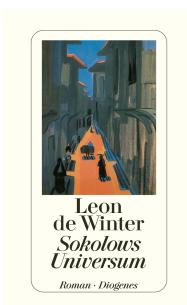
Leon de Winter
Malibu

Roman · Diogenes
God's Gym
432 pages
2003
Bestseller



Leon de Winter
Leo Kaplan

Roman · Diogenes
Kaplan
544 pages
2001



Leon de Winter
*Sokolov's
Universum*

Roman · Diogenes
Sokolov's Universe
448 pages
1999



Leon de Winter
*Der Himmel
von
Hollywood*

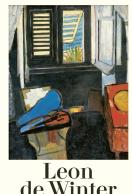
Roman · Diogenes
The Sky of Hollywood
368 pages
1998
Movie Adaptation



Leon
de Winter
Zionoco

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Zionoco
416 pages
1997



Leon
de Winter
Serenade

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Serenade
176 pages
1996



Leon
de Winter
SuperTex

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SuperTex
272 pages
1994

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*Hoffmanns
Hunger*

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Hoffmann's Hunger
416 pages
1994

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