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Hugo Loetscher
The Immune Man

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For the immune man, the world, from his earliest childhood, is a stage. He nevertheless uses his talent for telling stories and observing the world in order to 'immunise' himself against brutality and hypocrisy. How else could one suffer this world? In a self-critical analysis of the I in the form of an abundance of short stories, Hugo Loetscher describes the epoch in which this ego developed.

Book factsheet

General Fiction
448 pages
11.3 x 18.4 cm
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Movie adaptation

Mittwoch
Director: Markus Silberschmidt

Awards

- 2006 Erster Preis des Lyrikwettbewerbs des Festival Rilke in Sierre für *Es war einmal die Welt*
- 2004 Ehrenbürger der Gemeinde Escholzmatt (Kanton Luzern)
- 2000 Werkbeitrag des Kantons Zürich im Bereich Literatur
- 1999 Ehrengabe der Stadt Zürich im Bereich Literatur
- 1999 Ehrengabe des Kantons Zürich im Bereich Literatur
- 1996 Literaturpreis der Brasserie Lipp für *Die Fliege und die Suppe*: Auszeichnung für Hugo Loetscher sowie für die Übersetzung ins Französische von Jean-Claude Capèle
- 1994 Kreuz des Südens (Orden für Verdienste um die brasilianische Kultur)
- 1992 Großer Schiller-Preis der Schweizerischen Schillerstiftung
- 1989 Ehrengabe der Stadt Zürich für *Die Fliege und die Suppe*
- 1986 Preis der Luzerner Förderungskommission
- 1985 Ehrengabe der Schweizerischen Schiller-Stiftung
- 1985 Literaturpreis der Zürcher Kantonalbank
- 1983 Mozart-Medaille der Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Stiftung, Basel
- 1972 Literaturpreis der Stadt Zürich
- 1966 C.F. Meyer Preis
- 1964 Charles Veillon Preis für *Abwässer. Ein Gutachten*
- 1964 »Charles Veillon Preis« für *Abwässer. Ein Gutachten*

Praise

Hugo Loetscher

»Hugo Loetscher is a wonderful narrator whose formulation of weighty thoughts is as light as a feather.« – Sonntags Zeitung, Zurich

»Punchlines, quirky humour, startling observations, witty comments – there's never a moment of boredom with Hugo Loetscher.« – Jürg Altwegg / Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung



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Hugo Loetscher (1929 – 2009) was one of Switzerland's most famous writers with novels such as *Sewage* and *The Immune Man*. In his role as journalist, he travelled to Latin America, Southeast Asia and the USA regularly. He always held a particular interest in photography. Hugo Loetscher, who lived in Zurich, was a visiting lecturer at universities in Switzerland, the USA, Germany and Portugal; and a member of the Darmstadt Academy for Language and Poetry. In 1992, he was awarded the >Schiller Prize< by Switzerland's Schiller Foundation.



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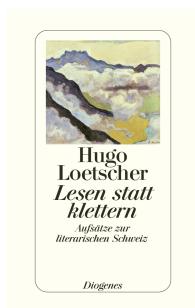
Inventing Discovery
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2016



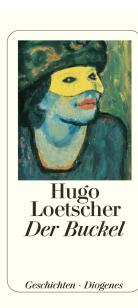
Wonder World
416 pages
2009



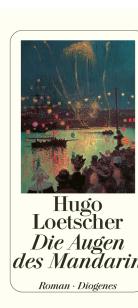
*Once There Was the
World*
128 pages
2004



Read, Don't Climb!
448 pages
2003



The Hunchback
224 pages
2002



The Eyes of the Mandarin
384 pages
1999



Season
416 pages
1995

