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# NON-FICTION

Ehrhard Behrends

## THE GREAT MATHEMATICAL MAGIC WAND – Brand New Card and Number Tricks

- A mathemagical delight for all who love magic!
- The sequel to the bestselling book *Der mathematische Zauberstab*.
- Rights to his previous title were sold to the US (American Mathematical Society).



April 2024 · 304 pages

**Ehrhard Behrends** is a retired professor of mathematics and computer science at the Freie Universität Berlin. He is one of the founders of the popular website [www.mathematik.de](http://www.mathematik.de) and, on a European level, the website [www.mathematics-in-europe.eu](http://www.mathematics-in-europe.eu). He is also the author of the column "Fünf Minuten Mathematik" in *Die Welt*, which has since become a successful international book. Since the beginning of 2015, he has been a member of the Magic Circle of Germany.

**For those who enjoy amazing others with magic tricks and want to understand the math behind them.**

What is the right choice between cash or a dud? Who can navigate the only possible path through the card labyrinth? How can you amaze guests at round birthdays and anniversaries? Here comes the sequel to Ehrhard Behrends' successful book *Der mathematische Zauberstab*. If you want to perform something functional at your next gathering with friends or family, you will definitely find it in this colorfully illustrated book.

Ehrhard Behrends not only explains how these easy-to-learn magic tricks with numbers and cards can be cleverly prepared and presented effectively but also the mathematics that makes them possible. You can perform everything without worrying about this background. However, for those who want to know – and that is what makes it appealing for math enthusiasts – you can learn a lot without any special prerequisites: for example, about probabilities, geometry, logic, or prime numbers.

*"For Behrends, mathematics is a science for the senses that, in the best case, triggers feelings of happiness." Die Welt*

### Further Titles



Annika Brockschmidt

## ARSONISTS – How Extremists Took Over the Republican Party

- A gripping analysis of how historical developments and power struggles have shaped and radicalised the party – and why the result of the 2024 presidential election will be of decisive importance not only for the USA.
- More than 20,000 copies of *Amerikas Gotteskrieger* sold!



February 2024 · 368 pages

**Annika Brockschmidt** studied History, German Studies, and War and Conflict Studies in Heidelberg, Durham and Potsdam. She is a freelance journalist and author, has worked for ZDF Hauptstadtstudio and co-produced the podcast "Science Pie", which was awarded by The Stifterverband. She writes for the *Tagesspiegel*, *ZEIT Online* and *ZEIT Geschichte*. Her book *Amerikas Gotteskrieger* (2021) about the power of the religious right in the USA was a bestseller.

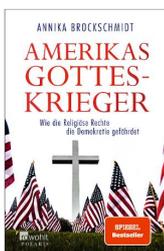
The accusation of election fraud, an angry mob incited by the former president storming the Capitol and setting up a gallows for "traitors" – today, the Republican Party, once known for ending slavery, is working to establish minority rule. Not only Trump but all other party leaders have adopted Christian nationalist, openly authoritarian, and racist views. This has led to consequences like book bans, minority rights being restricted, censorship in history classes, and the elimination of abortion rights in Republican-led states.

*Die Brandstifter* traces the story of this party and introduces its key figures. It shows how the boundary between right-wing extremism and conservatism in the USA has always been fragile. Brockschmidt explains how historical events and power struggles have shaped and radicalized the party – and why the outcome of the 2024 presidential election will be crucial not only for the USA.

*"The Republicans are no longer a Democratic party in their current lineup."* Annika Brockschmidt

*"With great expertise, Annika Brockschmidt shows how the Republican Party in the 21st century has been devoured by the extremist tiger it tried to ride for 50 years."* Adrian Daub, Stanford University

### Further Titles



Tobias Escher

## THE WORLD CHAMPIONS OF BERN – Biography of a Century-Defining Team

- 70 years of the Miracle of Bern: the unique biography of a team and a fascinating journey into post-war Germany.
- Rights to Escher's previous bestselling title *Der Schlüssel zum Spiel* were sold to Greece (Salto) and Korea (SamHo), and sold 30,000 copies!



May 2024 · 400 pages

**Tobias Escher** is the co-founder of the award-winning blog "Spielverlagerung.de". He also analyses Bundesliga games for a web show called "Bohndesliga" produced by Rocket Beans TV. As a freelance journalist, Escher writes for *Die Welt* and the football magazine *11 FREUNDE*. In 2013, *Medium Magazin* named him one of Germany's top ten sports journalists. His most recent books published by Rowohlt include *Der Schlüssel zum Spiel* and *Was Teams erfolgreich macht*.

**"From the background, Rahn should shoot. Rahn shoots. Goal!"**

Every football fan knows these lines. Germany's triumph in 1954 is still considered a miracle today. Some even see it as the true birth of the Federal Republic of Germany. However, for the players, the "Spirit of Spiez" – named after the team's accommodation – often became a lifelong curse. While Helmut Rahn became synonymous with victory but later wanted nothing to do with success, Fritz Walter did not consider the game in Bern as his most important, but rather the one in the Soviet prisoner-of-war camp that saved him from deportation. While he could benefit from the title throughout his life, his brother Ottmar, a striker in the World Cup team, nearly succumbed to alcoholism.

What kind of players were they, coming from a war-ravaged country without a professional league, and defeating the seemingly unbeatable Hungarians? And what became of them? Tobias Escher intertwines their life stories, with a focus on Rahn and the Walter brothers, into a compelling narrative about post-war Germany and the consequences of unexpected fame.

### Further Titles



Philipp Garra

# THE NEW ECONOMIC MIRACLE – How the Middle Class Saves Our Prosperity

- The story of digitalization pioneers in the mid-sized businesses and what we can learn from them.



March 2024 · 128 pages

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**Philipp Garra** is equally at home in digitalization and in the medium-sized business sector. Born in 1989, he grew up in the Sauerland region, where he spent his childhood running through the workshops of the family-owned supplier company. He is a graduate in business administration, has founded two startups, and most recently, at Microsoft, he headed the cloud sales for some of the most important companies in Germany. Today, he resides in Munich and assists medium-sized businesses in charting their course in the world of digitalization.

## A book that inspires courage for new beginnings.

The German economy is experiencing a midlife crisis. Faced with ruthless tech giants and unleashed startups, the daily life in German offices and factories has visibly aged. Companies that have known nothing but success for decades are confronted with their impermanence in the digital age. "Made in Germany", it seems, has grown old.

But it does not have to be this way, believes Philipp Garra. Having previously led Microsoft's cloud sales in Germany and coming from a family business background himself, he tells the story of digitalization pioneers in the mid-sized businesses, and what we can learn from them. The book translates a comprehensive understanding of digital transformation into the specifics of the German economy. It is honest, humorous, and hopeful, devoid of technical jargon, and encourages new paths and the abandonment of old thought patterns.

Florian Hoffmann

## FIVE REASONS THE WORLD WILL NOT END

- This book presents five ways out of many current crises: practical solutions instead of posing new questions.
- The author belongs to one of 100 Young Global Leaders under forty.



October 2024 · 128 pages

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**Florian Hoffmann** is the founder of The DO, a global platform for a new economy that is sustainable, innovative, and just. The DO operates internationally with offices in Berlin, Hong Kong, and New York. Florian was recognized by the World Economic Forum as one of the 100 Young Global Leaders under the age of forty for his work. He serves on the board of the World Future Council, is a Fellow of the Tribeca Disruptive Innovation Awards, and is a juror for the million-dollar Global Teacher Prize. He studied at the University of Oxford, Duke University, Bard College, and Humboldt University. Currently, he resides in Berlin with his wife and daughter.

### Innovative projects that offer a way out of major crises.

Wherever we look, there are problems: a planet in crisis, an economy changing too slowly, societies divided. And in the midst of it all, there are people who often feel overwhelmed. This book demonstrates that there is ample reason for hope, and that we can even be excited about the future – excited to be a part of shaping it.

Progress is happening, even though it may often seem like the climate crisis is unstoppable. Progress is taking place, for instance, in rural Egypt, where Helmi Abouleish and his family have successfully established Demeter farming in the desert, and in Singapore, where Good Meat is revolutionizing our food with lab-grown meat.

Florian Hoffmann takes us through innovative projects worldwide that serve as models for a better future, as change at a small scale can set the stage for larger transformations.

Lorenz Jäger

# THE ART OF LIVING, THE ART OF DYING

- What makes our lives rich and meaningful? What does finiteness mean for the way we lead our lives? A guide to life by master storyteller Jäger.
- A captivating, scholarly yet approachable exploration of the art of living, a profound existential topic.



April 2024 · 272 pages

**Lorenz Jäger**, born in 1951, studied sociology and German literature in Marburg and Frankfurt am Main. He later taught German literature in Japan and the USA. In 1997, he became an editor in the humanities department of the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, which he eventually led. In 2017, he published *Walter Benjamin: Das Leben eines Unvollendeten*, and in 2021, *Heidegger: Ein deutsches Leben*.

## What gives life meaning in the face of our finiteness?

"Philosophizing means learning to die", Montaigne once confessed. He was not the first to point out that life can truly be understood only in light of its finitude. The "Ars moriendi", the art of dying, has a long-standing tradition, inseparably linked with the "Ars vivendi", the art of living, whose origins date back to antiquity.

Lorenz Jäger takes on a profound subject and, in his equally wise and graceful exploration, asks what finitude means for our way of life. He looks at earliest literary works such as the Epic of Gilgamesh and the Bible, the questionable tranquility of the Stoics, the Japanese celebration of impermanence, or the immortality dreams of Silicon Valley. He engages with Georg Büchner, an early departure, as well as with Hans-Georg Gadamer and Claude Lévi-Strauss, both centenarians. Throughout, Jäger also reflects on our present, on what can make our lives rich and meaningful, on our handling of time in the face of finitude, the shaping of our goals and desires – a book that is existentially meaningful in the best sense.

## Further Titles



André Hassan Khan, Gideon Böss

## TODAY, EVERYTHING FEELS LIKE WAR

- An impactful and gripping book on traumatic experiences in wartime.
- Unique insights into the deployment of the German armed forces in Afghanistan.



February 2024 · 192 pages

**André Hassan Khan**, born in 1976 in Neumünster, became a professional soldier after completing his basic military service. In 2010, he was part of the first Bundeswehr unit to deploy an unmanned aerial vehicle, the "Heron 1", in Afghanistan. In 2017, he was diagnosed with PTSD. Today, he raises awareness about this "invisible illness" that is still surrounded by too many taboos.

**Gideon Böss**, born in 1983 in Mannheim, is a columnist and author. One of his books is *Deutschland, deine Götter: Eine Reise zu Kirchen, Tempeln, Hexenhäusern*, which explores the religious diversity in Germany. His most recent work is the non-fiction book *Vom Urknall bis zum E-Auto: Ein Museumsführer durch (fast) 14 Milliarden Jahre Geschichte*, which serves as a museum guide through nearly 14 billion years of history, from the Big Bang to electric cars.

**"We were condemned to become silent witnesses of a massacre."**

André Hassan Khan, a professional soldier, completed around 1500 deployment days in 27 overseas missions, including Afghanistan, Mali, Uzbekistan, and Sarajevo. He was a pioneer in the field of remote-controlled aircraft and served as a sensor operator, providing troops with aerial information. It was a vital task he fulfilled with full dedication until the event in 2017 that shook his inner world: the Taliban attacked an Afghan army base, brutally killing at least 140 people, and Hassan Khan was condemned to watch helplessly from above. The tragedy received some press coverage but soon faded from memory. However, for Hassan Khan, that day marked the beginning of a battle against a cunning enemy: PTSD or post-traumatic stress disorder.

In his book, André Hassan Khan shares his experiences in Afghanistan, his work, his family, and most importantly, his struggle with mental illness. It threatened to destroy his life until he decided to confront it head-on. His account is both enlightening and inspiring.

Anabelle Körbel, Katja Ploch

## SIZING IT UP IN NUMBERS – 199 Facts That Change Your View of the World

- Surprising connections, quirky numbers, and contradictory insights change your perspective on the world – and provide entertaining facts to share.



March 2024 · 128 pages

**Anabelle Körbel** discovered her passion for numbers and economics during her studies. She majored in economics, politics, and philosophy, and she has been working at the *brand eins* editorial team since 2019. Researching astonishing pairs of numbers for the column "Die Welt in Zahlen" is one of her favorite tasks as an author.

**Katja Ploch**, a graduate in business administration, learned the craft of documentary journalism at *Spiegel Verlag*. She has been with *brand eins* from day one in this role, emphasizing the magazine's commitment to accuracy. To this day, no article leaves the publication without a thorough fact-check by the *brand eins* documentation team.

### A fresh perspective on our society and the world!

Numbers, facts, and statistics are usually boring and sometimes hard to grasp. This is especially true for economic statistics, which often obscure more than they illuminate.

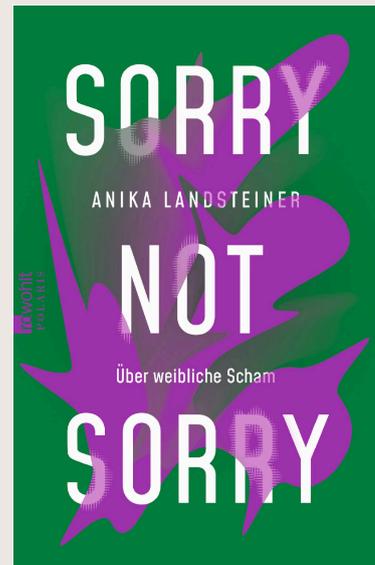
For over 20 years, *brand eins* has shown with "Welt in Zahlen" that there is a different way: the most beloved section to date presents connections, relationships, and even absurdities that are as much a part of economic life as trust in numbers.

The comparisons, researched and compiled by Anabelle Körbel and Katja Ploch, are often surprising, sometimes astonishing, and occasionally absurd. *Größenwahn in Zahlen* provides entertaining facts to share but also prompts reflection on the disparities of this world.

Anika Landsteiner

## SORRY NOT SORRY – About Female Shame

- *Spiegel* bestselling author Anika Landsteiner on a topic concerning every woman: Why do we constantly apologize for everything?
- Compelling, wise, and personal – a new feminist voice.



May 2024 · 256 pages



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**Anika Landsteiner** was born in 1987 and works as an author and journalist. Her focus revolves around societal injustices, taboo subjects, feminism, and pop culture. In the podcast "Hello, lovers!" she engages in conversations with couples therapist Dr. Sharon Brehm about how equitable love can function. She is the author of three novels. In *So wie du mich kennst*, she tackled the themes of grief and domestic violence, and the novel spent several weeks on the *Spiegel* bestseller list. Her latest book, *Nachts erzähle ich dir alles*, delves into the topic of female self-determination.

### How does shame relate to femininity?

Since my childhood, I have been plagued by the feeling of not being good enough. The fact that women are systematically belittled and taken less seriously than men has intensified this sensation. For years, I apologized for almost everything I did or did not say, while simultaneously feeling the need to claim more space and break free from socially accepted mechanisms of oppression.

Feeling shame is completely normal, regardless of gender. However, women tend to feel shame and apologize more frequently, whether it's for their bodies, their success, their single status, or their choice to remain childless. Anika Landsteiner has observed this phenomenon in herself and explores why it happens. Through insightful, personal essays covering all aspects of her life – from work and illness to sexuality and coming to terms with her own history – she reflects on self-worth, boundaries, and her determination not to diminish herself any longer, neither to herself nor to others.

Ron Leshem

## FIRE – Israel and October 7th

- An important and moving contribution that makes the conflict understandable.
- A glimpse into the reality of Israel and its deeply divided society: Where does Israel stand, and where is it heading?
- The award-winning novelist, screenwriter and former Israeli Intelligence Officer combines insider knowledge with analysis.
- English sample translation available soon.
- Foreign rights to his previous novels were sold to 15 countries.



April 2024 · 320 pages



**Ron Leshem**, born in 1976 in Tel Aviv, is a novelist, screenwriter, and former Israeli intelligence officer. He works in Hollywood and Tel Aviv and has co-developed the internationally acclaimed series *Euphoria* and co-written the script for the series *No Man's Land*, among other projects. His novels *Der geheime Basar* and *Wenn es ein Paradies gibt* remained on the bestseller list in Israel for months. *Wenn es ein Paradies gibt* received Israel's prestigious Sapir Prize in literature and was adapted into a film titled *Beaufort*, which won the Silver Bear at the Berlinale and received an Oscar nomination. His latest work is *Als wir schön waren* (2022).

### What happened on October 7th – A book about the day that changed the world.

On October 7th, 2023, Hamas unleashed terror on Israel, and since then, the world has been holding its breath as events unfold rapidly. Ron Leshem recounts that day and the developments that have followed, shedding light on a deeply divided country. The liberal, peace-seeking segment of society was particularly affected. What will the consequences be?

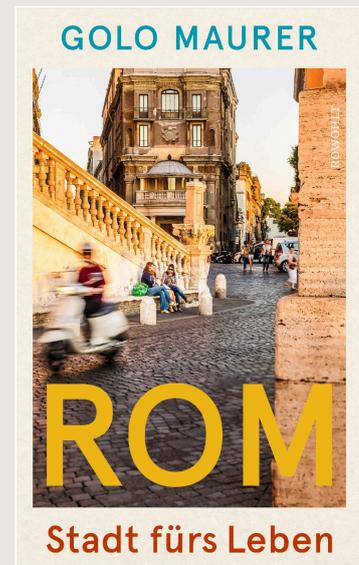
Leshem, an internationally renowned author, journalist, and former Israeli intelligence officer, is personally affected as well. Hamas murdered his uncle, aunt and months later also his abducted cousin who was also a German citizen. This is a glimpse into the reality of Israel that brings the country close to us in a very personal way while providing a broader perspective. An important and moving contribution that makes the conflict understandable.

*"Ron Leshem creates a whole world with words alone."* David Grossman

Golo Maurer

## ROME – City for Life

- A city guide for all those who truly want to get to know Rome intimately and personally.
- A light-footed literary exploration that shows what makes the Eternal City so special.



March 2024 · 336 pages

**Golo Maurer**, born in Munich in 1971, studied History of Art, History, and Classical Archaeology. In 2014, he wrote a post-doctoral thesis at the University of Vienna titled *Italy as Experience and Construct. How German artists and travellers perceived landscape between 1760-1870*. Since 2015, he has held the post of Director at the Bibliotheca Hertziana in Rome. In 2021, Rowohlt published *Heimreisen* – praised as "a brilliant book" by *Die Zeit*.

Dreaming of Rome is beautiful, but what's it like to live there? Golo Maurer made that choice, and he offers a firsthand glimpse into the city and Roman life, away from the touristy paths. This journey takes you through all the neighborhoods and over the famous seven hills, along the Tiber and into the bustling alleys. For newcomers, it is essential to know that "casa" does not just mean "apartment" or "house", and there are tips on making the most of Roman cuisine and even learning about Italian politics from a taxi driver. It is the initiation into Roman life, complete with the art of swearing and the unique Italian mentality expressed by "si sta bene" ("one is well").

"Golo Maurer tells his story with subtle irony and great expertise."  
*Süddeutsche Zeitung*

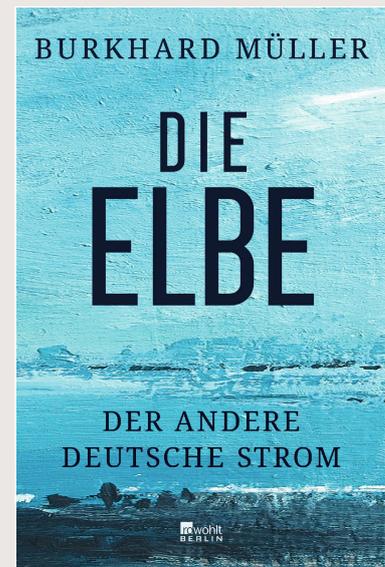
### Further Titles



Burkhard Müller

## ELBE – The Other German River

- A culturally, politically, and historically relevant portrait of East Germany through its lifeblood.
- The biography of an important river that has long separated the two halves of Germany.



May 2024 · 304 pages

**Burkhard Müller**, born in Schweinfurt in 1959, studied German and Latin in Würzburg, where he completed a PhD on Karl Kraus. He teaches Latin at the Technical University in Chemnitz and is a writer and critic for the *Süddeutsche Zeitung*. In 2008, he was honored with the Alfred Kerr Prize for Literary Criticism, and in 2012, he received the Translator's Barge Award from the Association of German-Speaking Translators. Burkhard Müller resides in Chemnitz.

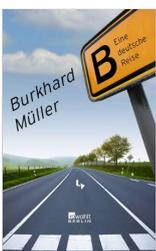
### A captivating journey along the Elbe, exploring the heart of reunited Germany.

The Elbe is the river of reunited Germany. It connects the long-separated parts of the country, bridging the still palpable foreignness, and is also the secret axis of Europe, where East and West have repeatedly met: during the Reformation, the Battle of Nations in 1813, in Torgau, where American and Soviet troops shook hands over the destroyed Elbe bridge in 1945.

Burkhard Müller embarks on a journey along the Elbe, through well-known and forgotten regions. Starting in the northern Bohemian upper course of the river at the Schneekoppe, he travels through Saxon Switzerland to the magnificent yet contradictory Dresden. From there, he goes to the Bauhaus city of Dessau and the Lutherstadt Wittenberg, through areas of old lignite mining where today the most beautiful new landscapes are emerging, and on to the cosmopolitan city of Hamburg. Müller explores the history of the places and the stories of the people, providing insights into a unique cultural area and painting an impressive picture of contemporary Germany.

*"It is a joy to travel with Müller ... an entertaining travel guide." Freie Presse*

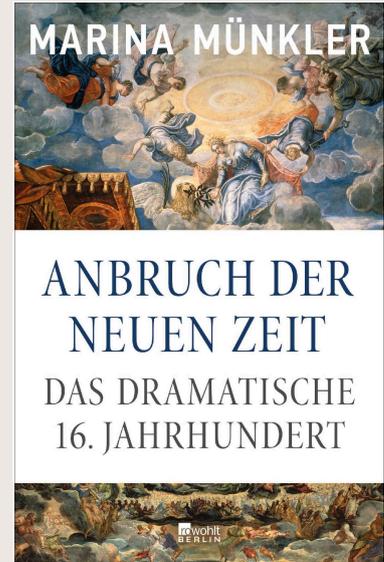
### Further Titles



Marina Münkler

## DAWN OF THE NEW ERA – The Dramatic 16th Century

- Setting out for new horizons and the upheaval of the world: A captivating account which shows how much this time has in common with us.
- A detailed overview of the 16th century in the tradition of great epochal books.
- Her previous title sold more than 30,000 copies.



March 2024 · 544 pages

**Marina Münkler** is a professor of early modern literature and culture at the Technical University of Dresden. She is the author of cultural and political books, including *Marco Polo* (1998) and *Lexikon der Renaissance* (2000). Together with Herfried Münkler, she published *Die neuen Deutschen* in 2016, which became a bestseller and was praised by the *Süddeutsche Zeitung* as "one of the best and most nuanced reads of recent times". Marina Münkler has been the Deputy Chair of the Scientific Commission of the German Council of Science and Humanities since 2019.

### Embarking on new horizons and the world's transformation.

In the long 16th century, the world undergoes profound changes. When Christopher Columbus discovered an unknown continent in 1492, it marked the beginning of European claims over this "new" world, and Christianity became a global religion. Simultaneously, the Old World faced immense pressure from the expanding Ottoman Empire, and shortly thereafter, Martin Luther's posting of his theses shattered its religious unity.

Marina Münkler traverses this dramatic era of discoveries and conflicts, recounting the stories of the "Savages" of the New World and the "Saints" of the Old, along with the disputes involving the "Turks". Münkler describes the media revolution of the printing press, the Reformation that profoundly altered the relationship of individuals not only with the church but also with faith and destiny, the birth of modern natural science, as well as peasant uprisings and witch burnings. It was a century that was groundbreaking in every respect, and as Marina Münkler demonstrates, it has much in common with our own era. A significant historical work about the dawn of a new era, our era.

*"One of the best and most nuanced reads of recent times." Süddeutsche Zeitung on Die neuen Deutschen*

### Further Titles



Miriam Meckel, Léa Steinacker

## EVERYWHERE ALL AT ONCE – How AI is Changing Our World and What We Can Gain

- A guide to the world of tomorrow written by two scientific experts, publicists and entrepreneurs.
- Artificial intelligence holds great opportunities – if we set the right course now.



February 2024 · 400 pages

**Miriam Meckel** is a professor of communication management at the University of St. Gallen. She has also taught as a guest professor at Harvard University, as well as in Singapore, New York, and Vienna. She served as the editor-in-chief and publisher of *Wirtschaftswoche* and was a State Secretary for Media and International Affairs in North Rhine-Westphalia. Her book *Brief an mein Leben*, published by Rowohlt in 2010, became a bestseller. Since 2018, Meckel has been a co-founder and CEO of ada Learning, an educational program focused on future skills.

**Léa Steinacker** is a social scientist and entrepreneur who studied at Princeton and Harvard and earned her Ph.D. at the University of St. Gallen, focusing on the social impacts of artificial intelligence. As a journalist, she has written for publications including *Wirtschaftswoche*. In 2018, the *Medium Magazin* recognized her as one of the "Top 30 under 30" journalists of the year, and *Forbes* included her in the list of "Top 30 Under 30" media leaders in Europe. Alongside Miriam Meckel, she co-founded ada Learning in 2018.

We are witnessing the "iPhone moment" of artificial intelligence; the technology is now accessible to everyone. This marks a crucial threshold in our cultural evolution. Everything is changing all at once. Miriam Meckel and Léa Steinacker highlight the opportunities that come with crossing this threshold. We do not need to fear being replaced as humans because everything AI does is based on how we interact with it. However, we are now tasked with guiding its development in the right direction. But how do we achieve this, and where do risks, unwanted side effects, and ethical dilemmas lurk – whether in the workplace, in business, in human relationships, or in daily life? What questions should we address sooner rather than later, whether it is in dealing with self-driving cars, virtual medical assistants, or automated fake news? According to Meckel and Steinacker, if we want to keep up in an increasingly complex world, we must expand our human intelligence – and even artificial intelligence can assist us in that process. We, too, will change. What does the world of tomorrow look like, how do we navigate it, and make the right decisions? This book provides guidance.

*"We are currently creating new worlds – we humans, together with AI. The new AI systems will become steam engines of the mind, our cognitive GPS systems or simply climbing frames for thinking. It is time to climb the first steps of the scaffolding, to gain experience with it in order to be prepared for what is to come and to help shape it in the best possible way."* Miriam Meckel

Luisa Neubauer

## WHAT IF WE ARE BRAVE?

- An urgent call to intervene and defend our ecological boundaries.
- A plea for hope from one of the most globally recognized climate activists.



August 2024 · 112 pages



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**Luisa Neubauer**, born in 1996 in Hamburg, is one of the most globally recognized climate activists. Her most recent work, co-authored with Dagmar Reemtsma, is *Gegen die Ohnmacht* (2022). Since 2020, she has been hosting the climate podcast *1.5 Degrees*. The geography student resides in Göttingen and Berlin.

### How can we bravely confront the climate crisis? A plea for hope.

For years, people have been fighting for the future habitability of our planet. Luisa Neubauer is one of them. Yet, to this day, the world fails to democratically organize the necessary climate protection. Why is not more happening, even though the scientific facts have long been known? Where does the anti-climate aggression from the right come from? Why do even the visible climate catastrophes not lead to a societal shift in thinking?

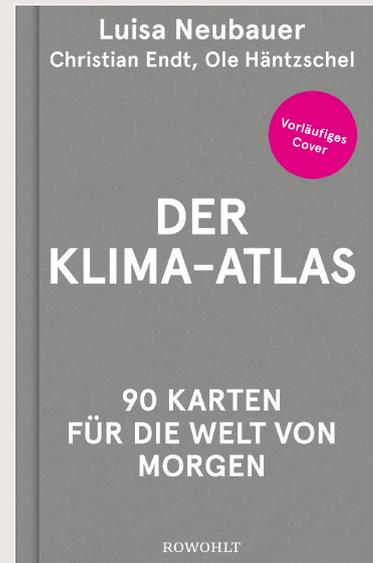
Luisa Neubauer analyzes the power struggles behind the climate crisis, uncovers the fossil roots of our democracy, and illustrates what a realistic utopia on our planet could look like.

*"Luisa Neubauer is not only rhetorically and strategically strong and versatile, not only charismatic, but she is also an intellectual." taz*

Luisa Neubauer, Christian Endt

# THE CLIMATE CRISIS ATLAS

- Astounding facts, compelling graphics, daring future scenarios.
- Climate change in 90 maps.



August 2024 · 208 pages

**Luisa Neubauer**, born in 1996 in Hamburg, is one of the most globally recognized climate activists. Her most recent work, co-authored with Dagmar Reemtsma, is *Gegen die Ohnmacht* (2022). Since 2020, she has been hosting the climate podcast *1.5 Degrees*. The geography student resides in Göttingen and Berlin.

**Christian Endt**, born in 1989 in Augsburg, is the deputy head of the Data and Visualization department at *Zeit Online*. He studied mathematics and physics and primarily writes on topics related to energy, climate, and the economy. The journalist resides in Berlin.

**Ole Häntzschel**, born in 1979 in Munich, is a graphic designer and illustrator. He specializes in the design of illustrative maps and infographics, has received numerous awards for his work, and teaches infographic design at various universities. Ole Häntzschel resides in Berlin with his family.

## How the world could be: The Climate Crisis Atlas

What could the world look like if we invested all the money spent on greenwashing in real climate protection? Where have scientific insights successfully led to new laws? And where are the cities of the future emerging today?

In 90 maps and infographics, Luisa Neubauer, Christian Endt, and Ole Häntzschel present surprising numbers and statistics – making the seemingly abstract climate change tangible. It is about hard facts as well as a geography of thoughts and feelings. The authors vividly and succinctly show who feels threatened by the climate crisis – and who actually is, which utopias were initially demonized and later implemented, or which status symbols could replace small cars in ten years. The authors take an optimistic look into the future and show what a fair, carbon-neutral world can look like.

*"Luisa Neubauer is likely to be, along with Angela Merkel [...], the most well-known woman in Germany." Süddeutsche Zeitung*

Larissa Reissner

## 1924 – A Journey Through the German Republic

- An exciting rediscovery: Larissa Reissner's remarkable reports on Germany a century ago.
- Clairvoyant, gripping – a troubled, hopeful and torn time that is much closer to us than we think.
- Includes a captivating memoir by Joseph Roth as an epilogue; foreword and edited by bestselling author Steffen Kopetzky!



April 2024 · 272 pages



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**Larissa Reissner**, born in 1895, achieved fame at a young age as a journalist, writer, and revolutionary. She was admired by Trotsky and Gorki, and Pasternak used her as a model for his character Lara in *Doctor Zhivago*. Reissner's early death in 1926 added to her legendary status. Her exceptional writings stand out as some of the best records of Germany in the early 1920s.

**"Her subject is reality, her great drama is her life, her love, and her death."**

Larissa Reissner's 1924 journey through Germany offers a fascinating, colorful kaleidoscope of life a century ago. Born in Berlin-Zehlendorf, this revolutionary was a unique observer: she was present at the now-forgotten Hamburg Uprising, describing the dramatic events and the plight of workers. She then traveled to the Ruhr region and Berlin, the engines and giants of modernity, shedding light on the everyday life and its tragedies that the powerful ignored, all while recounting their stories. She visited the Ullstein publishing house, recognizing the spirit of the new mass media. Her critical yet fascinated descriptions of the Junckers-Werke and Krupp, the mighty industrial giants, paint them as "national German treasures".

This results in an insightful portrayal of the five-year-old Weimar Republic, already showing cracks. Supplemented by reports from other parts of the world, it creates a panorama of a tumultuous, hopeful, and torn era closer to us than we might think. Reissner's splendid reports from the era of the world revolution, edited by Steffen Kopetzky, who provides a foreword, are a significant rediscovery.

*"We have never had someone like you. We would really love to have someone like you. Someone who loves and hates. You have been a fulfillment and a longing."* Kurt Tucholsky about Larissa Reissner

*"Her subject is reality, her great drama is her life, her love and her death."*  
Joseph Roth on Larissa Reissner

Britta Rotsch

## WHEN TEACHERS CROSS BOUNDARIES – School Power Abuse

- The first book about everyday abuse of power in schools.
- Britta Rotsch strikes a balance between personal experience and debate.



May 2024 · 256 pages



**Britta Rotsch**, born in 1987, is a German journalist and author based in Berlin. Her focus is on societal injustices, taboo topics, feminism, and family. She completed her journalism training at the Reportageschule Reutlingen and previously studied sociology, psychology, and gender studies in Germany and Austria. From Vienna, she worked as a freelance journalist for seven years, contributing to media outlets in the DACH region, including *Deutschlandradio*, *Radio Ö1*, *Die Zeit*, *NZZ*, and *FAS*. Additionally, she volunteers at social organizations and film festivals from time to time.

### When teachers cross boundaries.

When Britta Rotsch is in the 12th grade, a teacher begins writing her love letters. She is 18 at the time, he is in his late 50s and married. He sends Britta intimate emails. She finds it both repulsive and, at the same time, she does not ask him to stop. Britta's relationship with her parents is strained, and she tells no one about the teacher's letters. She feels seen in a difficult phase of her coming of age and, at the same time, completely overwhelmed. Today, she wonders how abusive this relationship was and how much responsibility she bears. But above all, she wants to know: Who else does this happen to?

Britta Rotsch is not alone in her experiences. After she reported on them in various media, countless women wrote to her and shared similar experiences during their school years. For her book, Britta Rotsch examines boundary violations in schools from various perspectives. She talks to those affected, teachers, and those responsible in institutions, and asks how to recognize and prevent this daily abuse of power.

Nico Semsrott

# TO SEE BRUSSELS AND DIE – Losing My Faith at the European Parliament

- Current, incisive, contentious: abuse of power and corruption in Brussels.
- An exclusive insight into the engine room of the EU from one of Germany's most distinguished satirists.



April 2024 · 352 pages



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**Nico Semsrott**, born in 1986 in Hamburg, has consistently failed upwards in his role as a demotivation trainer turned comedian. As the "saddest comedian in the world", he has practiced how to engage audiences in depressing topics through poetry slams, solo performances, and YouTube videos. And because there is nothing more depressing than politicians doing satire, he decided to counterattack and become a politician-satirist. In the 2019 European Parliament election, Semsrott successfully entered the European Parliament.

## An exclusive look into the machinery of the EU – just in time for the June 2024 election

The European Parliament – a brilliant idea. Unfortunately, in reality, it is a joke, and a very bad one at that. Nico Semsrott honestly and humorously recounts his experiences from five years in the European Parliament. He discusses the senseless commuting between Brussels and Strasbourg, which embodies everything that defines the core of the Parliament: wastefulness, tragedy, and nonsense. He talks about greedy parliamentarians who do not hesitate to exploit their ridiculous privileges and constantly line their own pockets. And he shares his exhausting self-experiment of attending countless lobby events in Brussels to gorge himself for free without engaging in small talk. Because he quickly realizes that in a place where justice and trust are desperately needed, corruption is rarely punished but mostly rewarded.

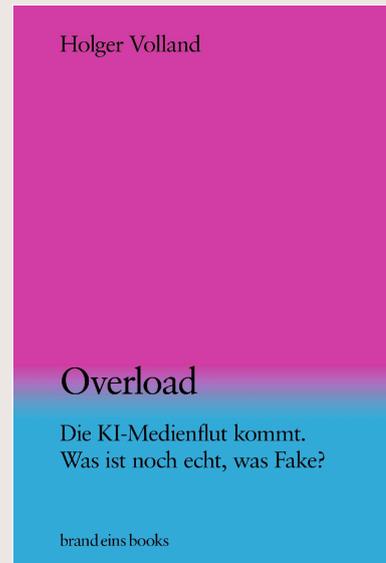
Nico Semsrott took on the "strangest job in the world" as an idealist to save his last ideals, but he voluntarily ends his political career. It is depressing, but at least he no longer has to consider anyone or anything else. A tragicomic and insightful account from the depths of the European Parliament.

*"The EU is in a deep crisis – and so am I."* Nico Semsrott

Holger Volland

## OVERLOAD – The AI media flood is coming. What is still real, what is fake?

- How will AI impact future media content and our media consumption?
- An analysis of managing content overload and detecting AI-generated fakes.



May 2024 · 128 pages

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**Holger Volland** is a media and digital expert. He serves as the CEO of the business publisher *brand eins* in Hamburg and also writes as an author on topics such as transformation, media development, digitalization, and artificial intelligence. He is a sought-after keynote speaker and lecturer, appearing at events like Bits & Pretzels, St. Gallen, Goethe-Institut, DLD, Art Directors Club, SXSW, and the Frankfurt Book Fair. Holger Volland is actively involved with Z-Inspection, an interdisciplinary scientific network for trustworthy artificial intelligence, and serves as an Advisory Board Member of the Sonophilia Foundation.

### The Mona Lisa hosts the evening news – and why that might not be a bad thing.

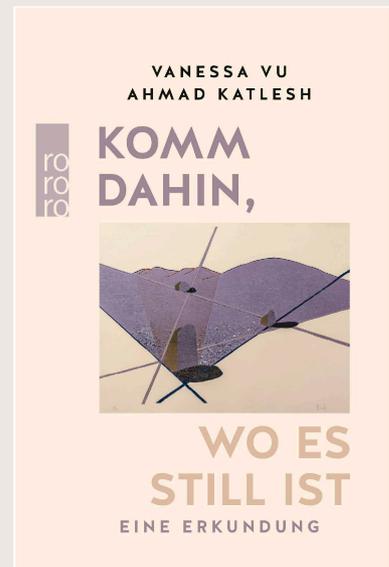
The number of available content in media, entertainment, and social media is growing at an unprecedented pace. And there will be even more in the future. By 2026, it is estimated that well over 90% of the content will be of synthetic origin and produced with the help of Artificial Intelligence. This not only brings challenges in terms of the sheer volume of content, but also raises serious questions about authenticity and credibility. In addition to overwhelming users with the sheer quantity of content, questions arise about authenticity, truth, and relevance: What is a trustworthy news source? What constitutes a real photo or video? How can we regain control in the midst of this overwhelming amount of content?

This book explains in simple terms the unstoppable growth of content and shows how we can keep track of it, find trustworthy sources, and harness the development for our professional and personal benefit.

Vanessa Vu, Ahmad Katlesh

## FIND THE STILLNESS – An Exploration

- A literary and touching essay on intergenerational migration experiences by the awardwinning authors Vu and Kathlesch.



May 2024 · 240 pages

**Vanessa Vu** is a journalist and writer, born in 1991. She studied ethnology, international law, and Southeast Asia in Munich, Paris, and London. After completing her studies, she attended the German School of Journalism and became an editor for *Zeit Online*. Vanessa has received several awards for her work, including the Theodor Wolff Prize, the Helmut Schmidt Prize, and the Lessing Prize for Criticism. She also moderates "Klassenzimmer" at the Schaubühne Berlin and co-hosted the Vietnamese-German podcast "Rice and Shine".

**Ahmed Katlesh**, born in 1988 in Damascus, currently resides in Berlin as a writer, speaker, and journalist. He has published poetry and prose in Syria and Jordan, with his first poetry collection in German being released in November 2020, and it was awarded the Chamisso Publication Grant by the Friedrich-Baur Foundation. In his podcast "Tik-lam", he narrates literary works in Arabic for a large audience.

### A bridge between two walls.

The life paths of writer Ahmad Katlesh and journalist Vanessa Vu are influenced, but not defined, by wars, escape, and migration. Katlesh fled from Syria, lived in Jordan for a long time before coming to Germany in 2017. Vu was born in Germany, her parents escaped from Vietnam, and she spent her early years in a refugee shelter in Lower Bavaria. They met through dance and got to know each other through emails. They build bridges along faded memories, feelings, and longings, and share the experiences of an immigration story spanning two generations.

In their book, they write to each other and, in doing so, jointly tell a story of searching for comfort and love, of years-long battles with themselves, and of the societies surrounding them.

*"A young, dynamic journalist with a keen and observant eye, always in touch with current events."* From the jury's statement for awarding the Lessing Prize to Vanessa Vu.

Saeid Fazlouloula

## AGAINST THE CURRENT – From Iran to Germany and the Olympics

- This book weaves together an athlete's journey with a migration story.



June 2024 · 240 pages

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**Saeid Fazlouloula**, born in 1992, is an Iranian canoeist. He represented the Refugee Olympic Team in the men's K-1 1000-meter event at the 2020 Summer Olympics. After receiving several threats, Fazlouloula decided to flee his country in 2015 to find a safer place. He now trains and lives in Germany. His sport, club, coach, and training group helped him settle in and start a new life. He will compete for Germany at the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris.

**Taufiq Khalil**, born in 1966, is a sports editor at *Bayerischer Rundfunk* in Munich, Germany. He has been covering FC Bayern Munich for years, traveling with the team around the world. Additionally, he reports on golf and alpine skiing. In 2022, he worked for *ARD*, including coverage of the Paralympics in Beijing.

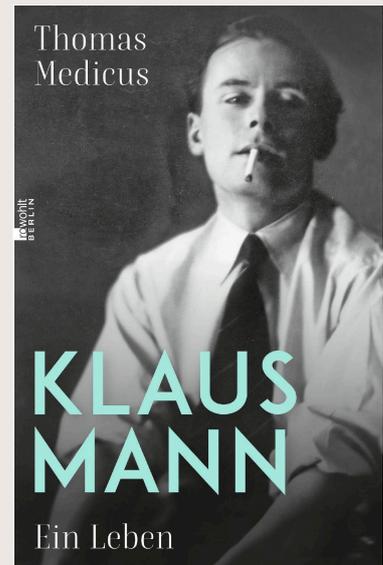
### A life story filled with solidarity, assistance, and courage.

In Persian, "Saeid" means happiness, and the 31-year-old canoeist Saeid Fazlouloula has often experienced happiness in his life. Threatened with death, he arrived in Germany in a spectacular way in 2016 and settled in Karlsruhe. He began competing in international canoe races for Iran at a young age and will represent Germany at the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris. In his book, Saeid shares his experiences of repression in his home country, his perilous journey to Germany, the warm reception he received, as well as the challenges he faced in his new environment. He also discusses his love for canoe racing and the issues surrounding his nomination for the Tokyo Olympics.

Thomas Medicus

## KLAUS MANN – A Life

- The first major biography on Klaus Mann and a picture of the early 20th century by outstanding biographer Medicus.
- A brilliant reassessment of this sparkling writer, symbol of the roaring twenties, quarrelling son of Thomas Mann, dazzling bon vivant, political exile.



April 2024 · 544 pages

**Thomas Medicus**, born in 1953, wrote for the *FAZ*, among others, and was deputy editor of the culture and entertainment section of the *Frankfurter Rundschau*. Today he works as a freelance publicist in Berlin. In 2012 he wrote the much-praised biography Melitta von Stauffenberg. *Neue Zürcher Zeitung* described his novel *Heimat* as "unconventional and gripping ... a multi-layered contemporary historical narrative". In 2020, he published the dual biography *Heinrich und Götz George*, about which the *Deutschlandfunk* remarked: "Sensational... In their life stories, more than a century of German history unfolds".

### **Klaus Mann: A captivating biography for the 75th anniversary of his death in 2024.**

Klaus Mann personified the turbulent first half of the 20th century like few others, as a charismatic bohemian and a prominent writer. In this expansive biography, Thomas Medicus traces Klaus Mann's remarkably modern life journey, from his sheltered childhood in Munich to his glamorous career as a dandy in the Weimar Republic, where he championed homosexual emancipation. The narrative continues through his years in political exile across Europe and the United States, marked by constant travel and prolific writing. Klaus Mann's life was characterized by extremes, including struggles with addiction and a persistent death wish from a young age. The biography concludes with his return to Germany in 1945 as an American GI, followed by his somber final years leading to his tragic suicide in Cannes.

This biography offers a compelling reevaluation of the brilliant writer who was a keen observer of his era, presenting his life as a captivating panorama of contemporary history.

*"Thomas Medicus has penned a gripping biography: inside the world of a family dynasty." Kultur Spiegel on Heinrich und Götz George*

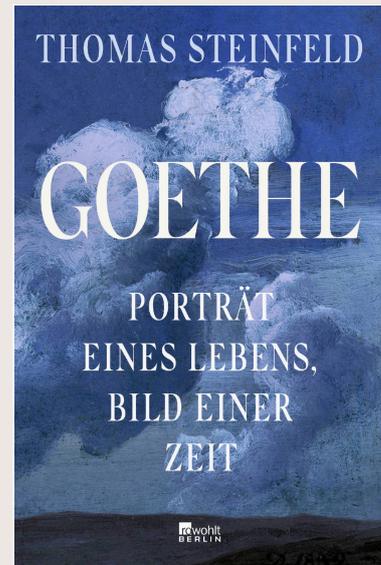
### Further Titles



Thomas Steinfeld

## GOETHE – Portrait of a Life, Image of an Era

- A unique, captivating era of upheaval – with Goethe right in the midst of it.
- Vividly, grippingly, and brilliantly told.



March 2024 · 784 pages

**Thomas Steinfeld** was born in 1954 and was the literary editor of the *Frankfurter Allgemeinen Zeitung* before he moved to the *Süddeutsche Zeitung*, where he initially worked as editor of the literature section, then of the culture section and finally as a correspondent in Venice. He lectured as a professor of cultural studies at the University of Lucerne from 2006 to 2008. Thomas Steinfeld is the author of many high-profile books, among them *Der Sprachverführer. Die deutsche Sprache: was sie ist, was sie kann* (2010) and *Herr der Gespenster. Die Gedanken des Karl Marx* (2017).

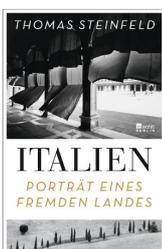
### The greatest German poet and his world: Thomas Steinfeld's engaging biography for Goethe's 275th birthday

When Goethe died in 1832, the French Revolution, the Napoleonic Wars, and industrialization had fundamentally transformed Europe. Thomas Steinfeld reimagines Goethe as a person whose life and work uniquely reflect the upheavals of that time: from his childhood in Frankfurt and his years of study in Leipzig and Strasbourg, through the phase of poetic awakening to *Faust*, *Farbenlehre* and the *West-östlicher Divan*. The Duchy of Saxe-Weimar also comes into a new light as an intellectual landscape of great significance for philosophy, medicine, and physics.

Goethe assumes his familiar roles as a poet, theatermaker, and traveler, but also the less-known ones of a politician, war observer, and naturalist. Steinfeld paints the picture of an intellectual who could not write without simultaneously thinking the opposite, a conservative who was always ahead of his time – and a smart, curious, yet lonely individual who wrote some of the most beautiful and profound works in German literature.

*"An entertaining, brilliantly written book. An educational journey and a sensory delight." Zeit Online on Italien*

### Further Titles



Umes Arunagirinathan

# HEART MATTERS – Understanding, Healing, and Protecting Our Vital Organ

- Fascinating facts and surprising new insights about our most essential organ.
- All previous titles by the author were among the top 10 on the *Spiegel* bestseller list.



April 2024 · 304 pages

**Dr Umes Arunagirinathan** was born in 1978 in Sri Lanka and came to Germany as an unaccompanied refugee at the age of 13. Following his school leaving exams, he studied medicine in Lübeck and completed his doctorate at Hamburg University. He worked as a registrar at the University Clinic Hamburg-Eppendorf, as well as at the Clinic for Cardiosurgery in Bad Neustadt and at the Charité Berlin. He is a specialist heart surgeon and works as an acting senior practitioner at the Clinic Links der Weser in Bremen.

## The wonders of our vital organ: how to heal and protect it.

3 billion Beats, 200 million liters of blood – the scorecard of a heart that has been beating for 75 years. It becomes active from the fourth embryonic week, and lasts a lifetime. These few numbers alone illustrate the dimensions we are dealing with when we talk about the heart. However, despite the incredible abilities of this superorgan, most people know relatively little about it. They take it for granted that their pump is working.

Bestselling author, and heart specialist Umes Arunagirinathan delves into our most vital organ. In a didactically excellent, accessible, and personal manner, he presents his expertise and shows what we can do to keep our hearts beating in rhythm throughout our lives. With an extra chapter on the female heart and an extensive service section.

### Further Titles



Tom Bobsien

## DATE WITH YOUR MONEY

- A reflection book with illuminating exercises and valuable insights about money and finances.
- With practical templates to fill in for an overview of your financial situation and everyday financial tips that suit your life and wishes.
- More than 150,000 copies of *Das Date mit dir selbst* sold! For months on the *Spiegel* bestseller lists in Germany and Switzerland.
- Rights for his previous titles were sold to Italy (Newton Compton), The Netherlands (Kosmos), Norway (Frisk Forlag), Korea (The Korea Economic Daily), Taiwan (Business Weekly).



May 2024 · 176 pages

**Tom Bobsien**, born in 2000, is a young entrepreneur from Hamburg with a passion for football and travel. He toured Germany at the age of 18, gave workshops and successfully created his own exercises on the topic of self-discovery. After extensive travels and the realisation that the important answers to life can only be found within yourself, he decided to record these exercises in a book, *Das Date mit dir selbst*, which became a huge bestselling book.

### This book will transform your relationship with money.

It can be liberating to delve into your own finances, allowing you to make confident financial decisions in the future. Through enlightening exercises, readers reflect on their financial situation using this book – in a practical, down-to-earth, and accessible way. They take a look into their own past, discover the beliefs that shape their relationship with money, gain an overview of their current financial situation, and become aware of what truly enriches their own lives.

### Further Titles



Sheila de Liz

# ENDOMETRIOSIS – Everything You Really Need to Know

- A ray of hope at last!
- A concise guide to one of the most common pelvic conditions in women.
- 480,000 copies sold of *Woman on Fire*! Rights were sold to China (Beijing Science and Technology Press), Greece (Klidarithmos), Korea (Eunhaengnamu), Russia (AST) and Serbia (Laguna).
- More than 30,000 copies of *Girl on Fire* were sold, with rights sold to China (Beijing Fast Reading), Poland (Wielka Litera) and Russia (AST).



March 2024 · 144 pages

**Dr Sheila de Liz**, born in 1969 in New Jersey, came to Germany at the age of 15 and studied medicine in Mainz. Since 2006, she has been working in her own practice for gynecology and obstetrics in Wiesbaden. She is a sought-after expert on all topics related to female health. Together with her team, she also offers consultations via video call, which can be scheduled through [hormoneonlineklinik.de](http://hormoneonlineklinik.de). In 2019, her book *Unverschämt* was published, followed by *Woman On Fire* in 2020, and *Girl on Fire* in 2022. All of her books became immediate bestsellers.

## An indispensable guide for every woman with endometriosis.

Approximately 15 percent of women of childbearing age suffer from endometriosis. Many of them carry this condition with them for a long time before it is even diagnosed. The symptoms are diverse, including very severe menstrual pain, ovarian cysts, and difficulties getting pregnant. In this guide, Sheila de Liz explains in her usual accessible style everything women need to know about endometriosis, how to find a doctor who takes them seriously, and how to live with the condition after diagnosis.

*"Women's friend. Her books on women's health are educational and very entertaining." Für Sie*

### Further Titles



Lina Maria Pietras

## HEART'S EYE – Discovering Yourself Within

- Discover self-love through the German Diversity Award winner.
- Uniting life guidance and inclusion for the first time.



April 2024 · 224 pages



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**Lina Maria Pietras** is a certified business coach, management consultant, inclusion strategist, and winner of the 2020 German Diversity Award. Despite being nearly blind, she supports charitable initiatives in Canada, Brazil, and Germany, and through her lectures, she demonstrates that disability is not a hindrance.

### Do you ever feel lonely in a crowded party?

In everyday life, we increasingly numb ourselves with various activities, distancing ourselves further from our true selves. Self-doubt and inner critics thrive in this environment. In her book, Lina Maria Pietras shows us that we can only find ourselves within, not externally, and that seeing with the heart is far more important than seeing with the eyes. With just four percent of her vision, she confidently and self-determinedly navigates life. She lives inclusion and helps others as a coach to listen more to their own needs rather than seeking external approval. At the same time, the author impressively demonstrates that self-discovery and pressure are not good partners. In *Herzauge*, we learn how to effortlessly develop strategies for tough times, build healthy relationships, love ourselves more, and be less harsh on ourselves.

René Wadas

# THE GREAT WADAS – A Comprehensive Guide for Healthy and Happy Plants

- The bible for garden enthusiasts: the collected wisdom of germany's most famous gardener.
- Clear and concise: everything about healthy plants in one book.



March 2024 · 336 pages

Born in Berlin, **René Wadas** is a master gardener and lives with his family near Braunschweig. For years, he has journeyed across northern Germany as a “plant doctor”, helping amateur gardeners with their “patients”. He has since trained employees at garden centres and DIY stores as well as farmers and biologists nationwide in his area of expertise.

*Der große Wadas* contains all the knowledge that plant doctor René Wadas has accumulated over the past decades – presented in an organized and structured manner as a practical reference work. Here, hobby gardeners can find solutions to every problem, whether it's pest infestation, the stunted growth of their favorite vegetables, or a disease affecting fruit trees: René Wadas has advice and, as always, guarantees chemical-free solutions!

## Further Titles



Anna Wilitzki

## SIMPLY LOVE – Expedition to a Happy Relationship

- Offering emotional depth and valuable insights for everyday relationships, entertaining and well-founded.
- How can the magic of the beginning be revitalised? Contemporary, solution-focused relationship advice with compelling case examples.



April 2024 · 272 pages

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Psychologist and couples therapist **Anna Wilitzki** assists couples in her practice in Berlin, helping them reconnect on an emotional level and navigate conflicts in their relationships together. She shares the latest insights and current research, as well as her experiences from her practice and therapy sessions, in various podcasts, TV, and radio interviews.

**Julia Becker** works as a freelance author in Hamburg, Germany. She works as a communications professional, advertising copywriter, and systemic coach. Her passion lies in psychological and narrative non-fiction books, novels, and theatrical plays. Julia provides conceptual and dramaturgical advice to authors, as well as writing and editing services. She has been involved in the creation of various bestsellers, such as *Liebe Angst, Zeit, dass du gehst* by Annett Möller and *Be Your Own Healer* by Susanne Abbassian Korasani.

### Real-life stories from a couples therapist.

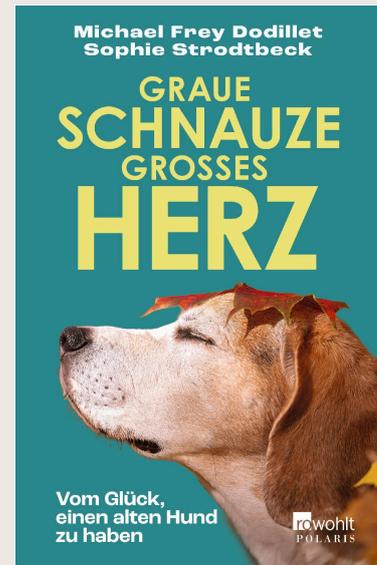
Creating a deep connection with each other is the main desire of couples. However, it often proves challenging to truly achieve. Couples therapist Anna Wilitzki reveals the recurring conflicts that couples face, the underlying patterns, and how to resolve them. Through her emotion-focused therapy approach, the author brings the deeper reasons for relationship problems to the surface.

In an engaging and well-informed manner, she shares insights from her daily practice and explains how a healthy love relationship can ultimately succeed, rekindling the initial magic.

Michael Frey Dodillet, Sophie Strodtbeck

## GREY SNOUT, BIG HEART – The Joy of Having an Old Dog

- A heartwarming, humorous story about how wonderful it is to have an old dog.



June 2024 · 256 pages

**Michael Frey Dodillet**, born in 1961 in Singen am Hohentwiel, works as a copywriter for various agencies in Düsseldorf, Hamburg, Munich, and Switzerland. He lives with his wife near Düsseldorf. Their three children have left the house, but they still have a feisty dog, moles in their flower beds, and an unwanted stone marten under the roof.

**Sophie Strodtbeck**, born in 1975 in Marbach, is a veterinarian who specializes in behavioral medicine, holding seminars on the subject and having authored numerous specialized books. Dogs are what happen while she makes other plans. This passionate photographer shares her home with four dogs, many cameras, and a lot of humor.

**Do not be sad. It is like you let him loose again, and he is taken a longer break!**

Dogs grow old, fortunately! Owners realize this when their dog becomes even more stubborn, now that it truly cannot hear anything, persistently demands a third meal because it forgot the first two, or embarks on a senile basket escape at three in the morning, happily rummaging through the house. This book does not leave you alone and reminds you at the same time how your old dogs were once young, all the beautiful, quirky, wonderful, annoying moments with them, and what you did to keep the stubborn ones on track.

Michael Frey Dodillet tells, in his usual humorous manner, how wonderful it is to have an old dog. Not a guidebook, but a comforter, just like what made his bestseller *Herrchenjahre* so successful. Sophie Strodtbeck has experienced all the senior escapades herself and can – with no less of a wink – "explain everything".

In this book, sheer cluelessness meets veterinary expertise, with many dog episodes in between – sentimental, crazy, melancholic, very, very funny, and sometimes, of course, sad.

André Herrmann

## IT WAS NICE, BUT NOT AGAIN.

- Hilariously funny travel stories.



April 2024 · 304 pages



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### Two retirees go on a trip with their son. What could possibly go wrong ...?!

André Herrmann, a 36-year-old comedian from Berlin, began documenting his trip with his parents, which quickly went viral. Using the hashtag #UmdE, he shared the challenges of their journey over eight days, gaining a massive following. With over one million daily readers, people followed along as a couple in their 60s from Saxony-Anhalt turned everything upside down abroad. And André, acting as their tour guide, soon realized what it meant to be responsible for his adventurous parents in a foreign land ...

**André Herrmann** is a stand-up comedian, author, and arguably the most well-known roaster in the German-speaking world. He has won the German-speaking Poetry Slam Championships twice. As an author, he conceptualizes programs, writes jokes for renowned TV shows, and develops and writes series for TV and streaming services. His debut novel, *Klassenkampf*, was published in 2015 by Voland & Quist, followed by *Platzwechsel* in 2018. Since the fall of 2022, André has been on tour with his first solo show. He lives and works in Berlin.

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# TOP BACKLIST TITLES

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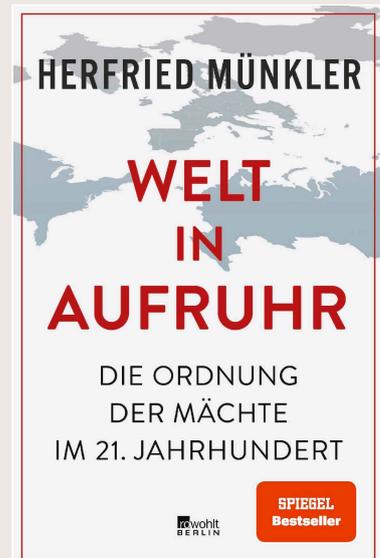
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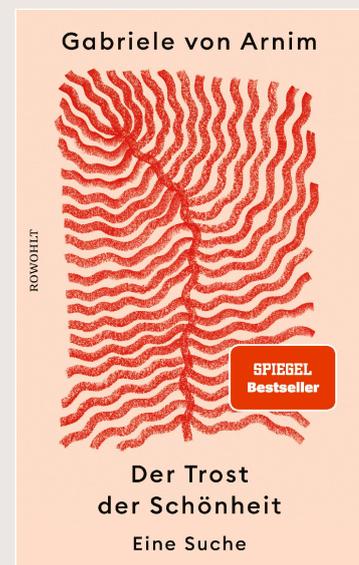
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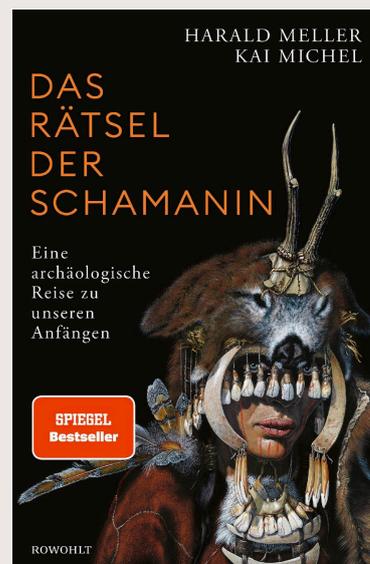
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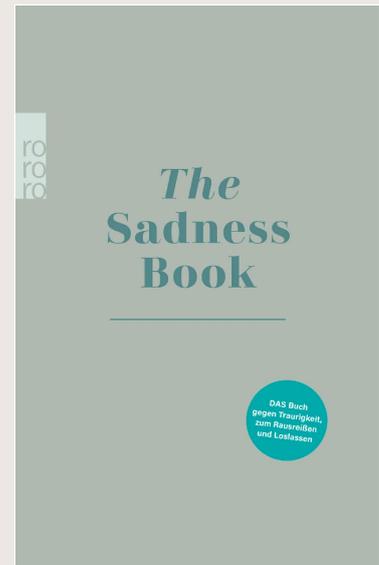
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