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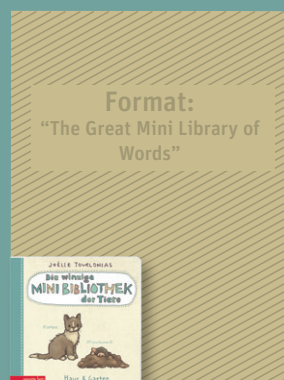
The Tiny Mini Library of Animals

In six cute picture dictionary volumes, children get to know small and large, domestic and exotic animals. From dogs, cats and mice to sheep, cows, horses, lions, giraffes and elephants – there are all your favourite animals to discover!

6 mini cardboard picture books in a slipcase to learn from and look at again and again!



The formats in comparison with the Mini Library edition



Joëlle Tourlonias, born in Hanau in 1985, studied visual communication at the Bauhaus University Weimar, specialising in illustration and painting. She went freelance in 2009 and now draws, paints and lives in the countryside near Frankfurt am Main.

Board book
18+ Months



- **Cute mini format – perfect for small children's hands & to take away!**
- **Deepens the vocabulary on flora and fauna**

Joëlle Tourlonias
The Tiny Mini Library of Animals

18 pages per volume
Board book
9,5 × 9,5 cm

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The Crumbles – Today I Have Raccoon Rage!

Some days nothing works the way Lina wants it to: it's too cold outside for her favourite dress. It's vegetables for lunch. Yuck! In the evening she has to go to bed even though she still wants to play. That's when she gets really racoon rage. She screams and cries, moans and whines. Luckily, dad, mum, the friends and Lina herself have some good ideas to solve her problems – and the best thing is, of course, a cuddly comforting hug!



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The Crumbles – Into the Socks, Ready, Steady, Go!

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The Crumbles – Hello Baby, Ready, Steady, Go!

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Ulla Mersmeyer finished the performing theatre course in Bremen and studied illustration in Münster. She has since breathed life into numerous children's and picture books with her illustrations. She lives and works in Hamburg.

Board book
24+ Months



- **Colourful fun for cosy viewing and taming the raccoon rage together!**
- **Great conversation starter on the topic of anger**
- **Children's everyday life portrayed honestly and hilariously**

Ulla Mersmeyer
The Crumbles – Today I Have Raccoon Rage!

22 pages
Board book
16,9 × 21,4 cm

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Hooray, We're Playing Fartball

Football: that means fun, scoring goals, cheering – simply awful, says the Stinkelpinkel. And of all things, his friends want to pick him up to play football today. But when he arrives at the forest stadium, he can hardly believe his eyes: the animals have organised a game just the way he likes it – a game of fartball! There's booing and no goals are allowed to be scored. When this almost happens to the squirrel, he is of course replaced straight away. The squirrel is thrilled and returns the favour: the next day, there's a game in the forest stadium. Fortunately his team doesn't mind losing by the skin of its teeth!



Tip



Happy Fartday

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Martin Fuchs moved from idyllic southern Holstein to Berlin immediately after reunification and studied theatre studies. Today he lives and works in Hamburg and writes for companies, journals and, most of all, for children.



Marina Halak, born in 1994, grew up in Ukraine. She moved to Germany in 2016 and has been working as a children's book illustrator for publishers, authors and magazines worldwide since 2020. When she's not drawing, she spends time with her husband and dog Wolfgang, reads books and tries out new recipes.

Picture book
4+



- The crazy football picture book – a new adventure from Stinkelpinkel
- This story will delight football fans and those alike

Martin Fuchs / Marina Halak
Hooray, We are Playing Fartball

32 pages
Hardcover
21,5 × 27,5 cm

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I See Something You Don't See

An excursion is on agenda: while children keep eyes open, adults always have their cell phones at the ready. After all, how else are you supposed to know what the weather is like, where to go ... But along the way, even they start watching around, so things get more and more colorful!

Tip



I have this Feeling
32 pages
Hardcover
21,5 × 27,5 cm
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Educating Parents the Right Way
32 pages
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21 × 29 cm
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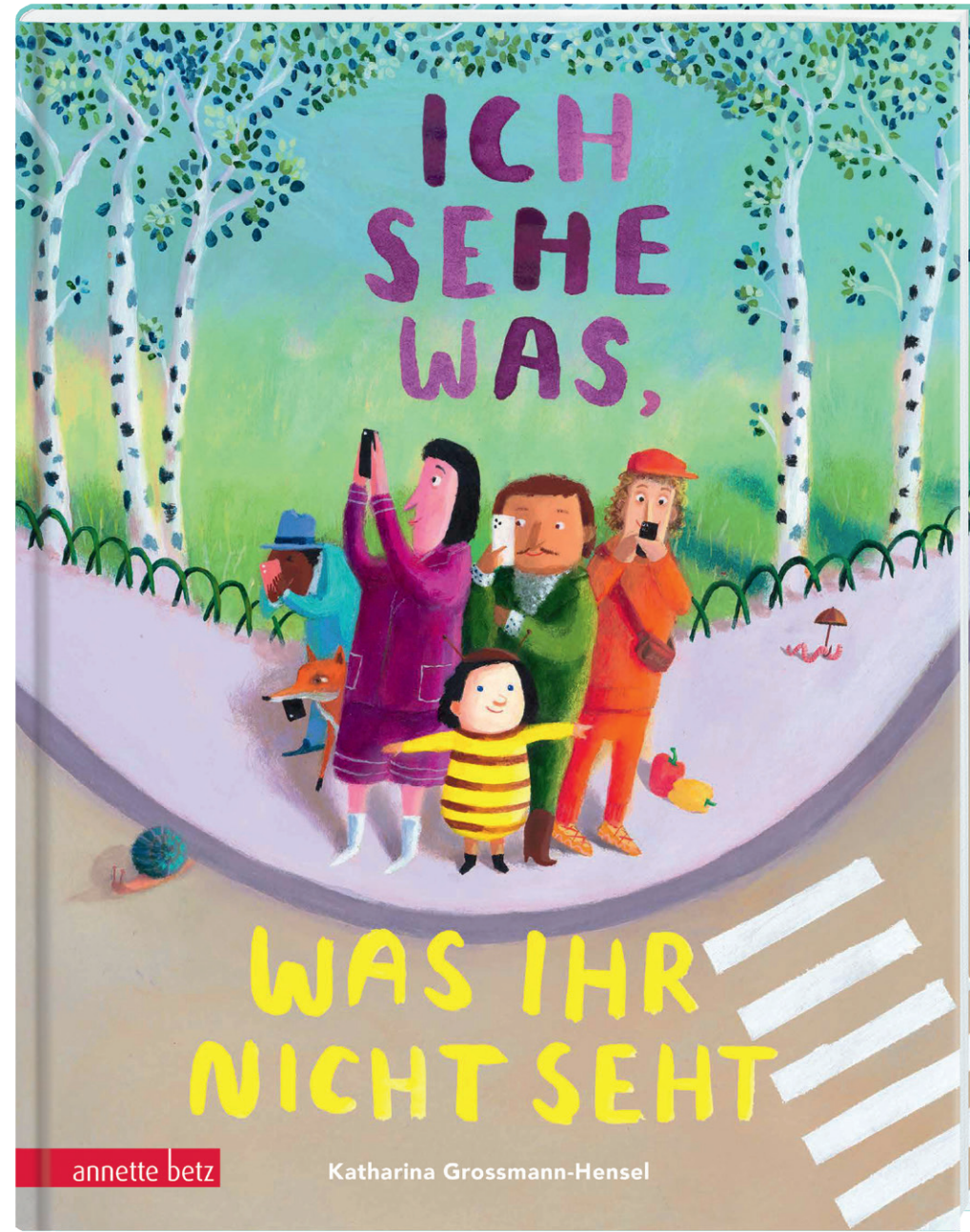
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Katharina Grossmann-Hensel was born in Mülheim and studied illustration in Hamburg. She lived in Paris for three years and also published her first picture book there. She now lives as a freelance author and illustrator in Berlin and works for various publishers.



Picture book
4+



- After the successful title “Educating Parents the Right Way” – this time: Switching off for adults
- Children see the world differently – and show everyone how colourful it is!

Katharina Grossmann-Hensel
I See Something You Do not See

32 pages
Hardcover
21,5 × 27,5 cm

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Hugo Helicopter – Small Engine, Big Courage

Rescue helicopter Hugo can hardly wait for his very first mission. But flying in the mountains is dangerous and Hugo is terrified that something might happen to him after a test flight in bad weather. But when a group of hikers and their little dog get into trouble, Hugo has to go up into the mountains with his colleagues. Will he be able to overcome his fear? And will they reach the hikers in time?



Hugo Helicopter was chosen as the new star of the series at the Leipzig Book Fair 2023



Michael Engler writes theatre plays, radio plays and books. His picture books such are popular within young and old and have been translated into numerous languages. Michael Engler lives in Düsseldorf.



René Amthor studied game design at the Media Design University in Düsseldorf. At the end of 2015, he and his wife founded a creative studio. He illustrates children's and family games, colouring books, computer games – and of course picture books. He lives with his family in Hilden.

Picture book
4+



- An exciting picture book story about finding courage
- After Theo Tractor, Max Garbage Truck & Fips fire brigade: Hugo lands in everyone's hearts

Michael Engler / René Amthor
Hugo Helicopter – Small Engine, Big Courage

32 pages
Hardcover
21,5 × 27,5 cm

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A little hero is aiming high on Hugo helicopter a rescue mission!



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Theo Traktor

32 pages
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21,5 × 27,5 cm

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Fips Fire Brigade

32 pages
Hardcover
21,5 × 27,5 cm

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Norway (Sandviks)



Max Rubbish Truck

32 pages
Hardcover
21,5 × 27,5 cm

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The Mysterious Hole in Our Street

Suddenly there are many holes on the street where Vitus and Mila live. There must be someone that did that! While the adults immediately speculate what are those for, the children just grin. As long as everyone is gathering on the street, a neighbour brings chairs out there. The kids are having absolutely the time of their lives! It becomes clear, that the neighbourhood is now sticking together by a common activity. They won't let their new favourite place be taken away! As once you have a hole, you can fill it with lots of things ...



Tip



René Amthor / Anna Lena Amthor
Dad Can not Fall Asleep

32 pages
Hardcover
21,5 × 27,5 cm

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Kristina Dunker was born in 1973 and studied art history and archaeology in Bochum and Pisa. She works as a free-lance journalist and author of children literature as well as young adult. She received several awards for her works.



Christiane Fürtges studied communication design in Essen, specialising in illustration and free drawing. Since graduating, she has been working as a free-lance illustrator for publishers and magazines.

Picture book
4+



- **Curiosity is the key: how an incident brings the neighborhood together**
- **Who dug the hole in the road? A humorous story to puzzle over!**

Kristina Dunker / Christiane Fürtges
The Mysterious Hole in Our Street

32 pages
Hardcover
21,5 × 27,5 cm

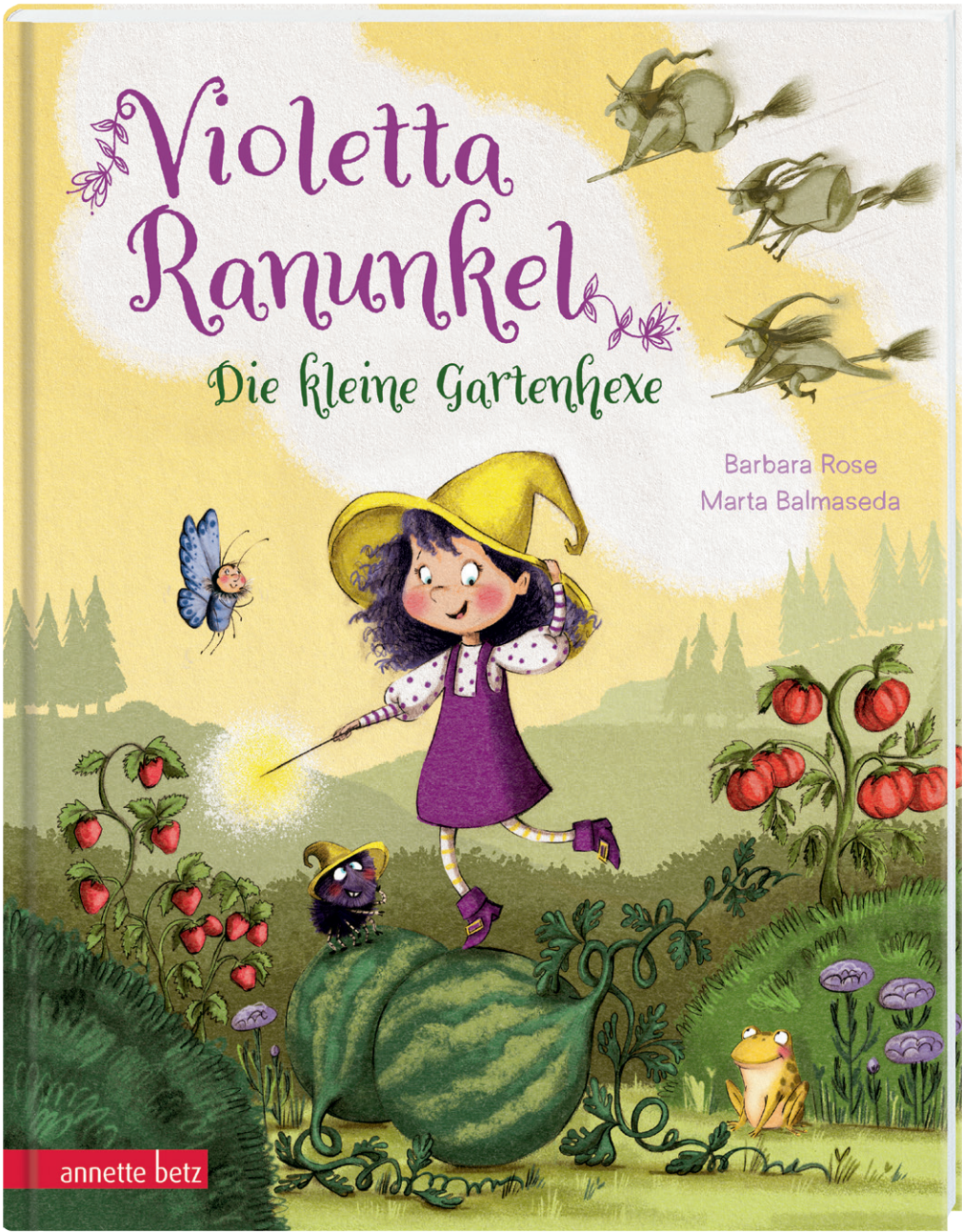
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Violetta Ranunkel – The Little Garden Witch

Violetta Ranunkel is a true garden witch. She is friendly and avoids arguments. The tasties vegetables are growing in her garden, so the animals of the forest come over for a feast at her place. Even the wind witches and the fire witches sometimes have fun with little Violetta. One day, however, things get too colourful for her and she gets really cheeky. Will that go well?



Picture book
4+



- A story about being kind and setting boundaries
- Full of vocabulary on gardening and vegetables



Barbara Rose is a children's and youth book author and journalist. For over ten years she made up stories for television and hosted radio programmes. Now she works as a freelance author and can do what she enjoys most. She lives with her family near Stuttgart.



Marta Balmaseda was born in Gijón, Spain. After studying art education in Seville, she dedicated several years to illustration, graphic design and mural painting. Today, Marta Balmaseda lives and works in Munich and has already published more than 20 books in various countries and languages around the world.

Barbara Rose / Marta Balmaseda
Violetta Ranunkel – The Little
Garden Witch

32 pages
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21,5 × 27,5 cm

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When a Lion Goes to School

Everyone learns what they need at school. When a lion goes to school, it learns to scratch with soft paws. A rabbit learns to munch and lounge. But who would have thought that witches and ghosts, even lawnmowers and chives go to school? And what do they learn there? Friedl Hofbauer and Andrea Ringli provide amusing and unexpected answers.



Tip



When a Lion Goes to School
24 pages
Hardcover
24 × 25,8 cm
All rights available



When a Lion Goes to School
24 pages
Hardcover
13 × 14 cm
All rights available

Mini-edition



Friedl Hofbauer was born in Vienna and studied German language and literature there. After graduating, she began working as a freelance writer. Friedl Hofbauer has been honoured several times with the Children's Book Prize of the City of Vienna.



Andrea Ringli is a freelance illustrator who lives and works in Zurich. She studied graphic design at Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts before publishing her first picture book in 2014.

Picture book
4+



- **The classic in a new guise & with an additional poem**
- **On the 100th birthday of word artist Friedl Hofbauer**
- **Ideal gift for all pre-school children and children starting school**

Friedl Hofbauer / Andrea Ringli
When a Lion Goes to School (new edition)

32 pages
Hardcover
24 × 24 cm

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The Vltava – The Symphonic Poem by Bedřich Smetana

The little water goblin is full of anticipation: he shows readers the longest river in his home country of the Czech Republic, the Vltava!

The journey begins with the sound of flutes at the springs and leads through a dense forest, where hunters announce themselves with drums, trumpets and horns. The ever-growing river rushes on, past magical elf dancing and through wild rapids. Until it finally says: Welcome to the destination of the musical journey, Prague, the golden city!

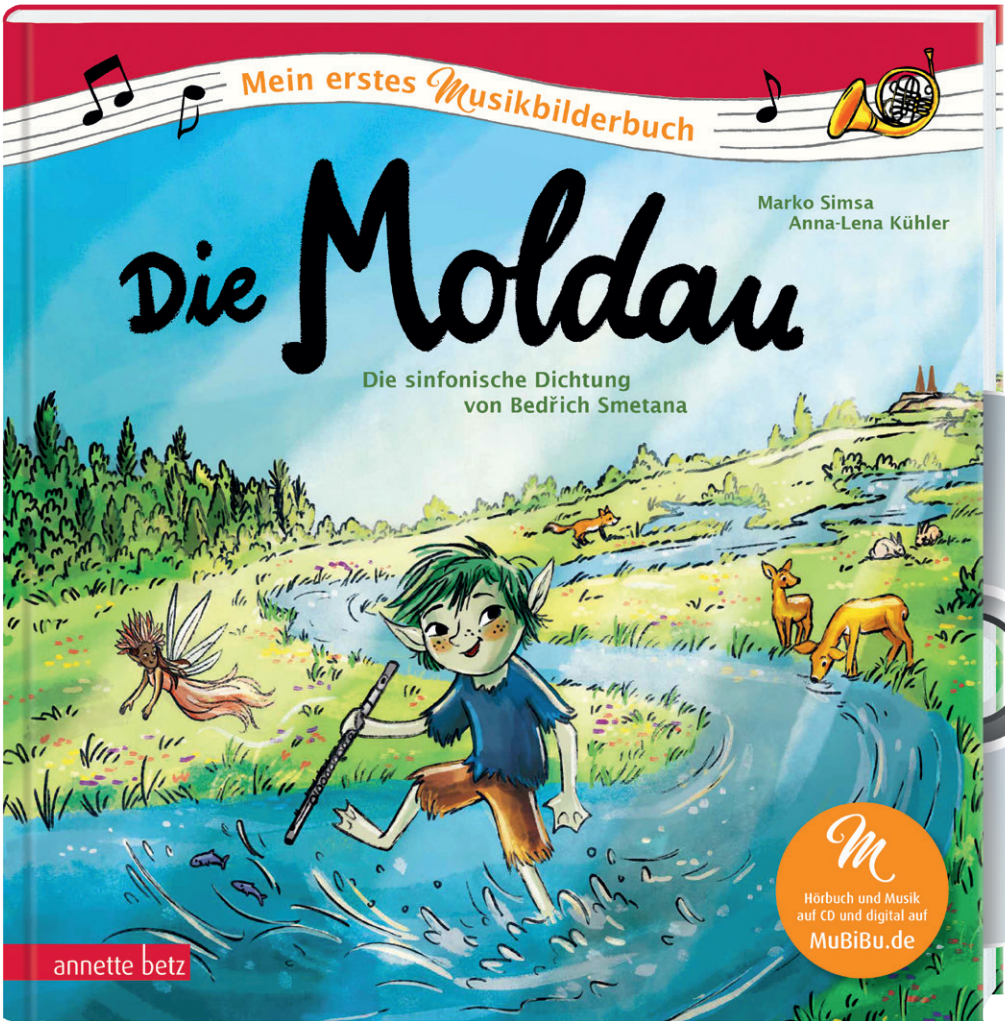


Marko Simsa has been staging concerts since 25 year. His works were shown at the Vienna Concert House, the Salzburg Festival and the Wiesbaden State Theatre, among others. His books have been translated into twelve languages and have won several awards.



Anna-Lena Kühler studied in Wiesbaden Communication design, specialising in illustration. Since then, she has been working as a freelance illustrator for agencies and publishers in Germany and abroad. She lives with her husband, children and cat in beautiful Eltville.

Musical picture book
3+



**Music and lyrics
on the accompanying CD
and for streaming**

Composer: Bedřich Smetana
Orchestra: Philharmonic
Orchestra, Bratislava
Conductor: Barry Wordsworth
Playing time: approx. 30 minutes

- **The famous musical journey told in words, pictures and sound!**
- **Anniversary: Smetana's birthday is celebrated on 2 March 2024 for the 200th time**
- **Accompanying audio book as a CD as well as streaming at MuBiBu.de**

Marko Simsa / Anna-Lena Kühler
The Vltava
The Symphonic Poem by
Bedřich Smetana

24 pages
Hardcover
24 x 24 cm
● With audio CD
Playing time approx. 30 min.

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On
8. March is
International
Women's
Day

Musical Heroines: 21 Women who set the pace!

Leontyne Price

Yang Liping

Oksana Lyniv

Martha Argerich

Florence Price

Antonia Brico

Mademoiselle De Lafontaine

Marianne Kirchgeßner

Clara Schumann

Misty Copeland

Hildegard von Bingen

Francesca Caccini

Fanny Hensel

Maria Callas

Pina Bausch

Emilie Mayer

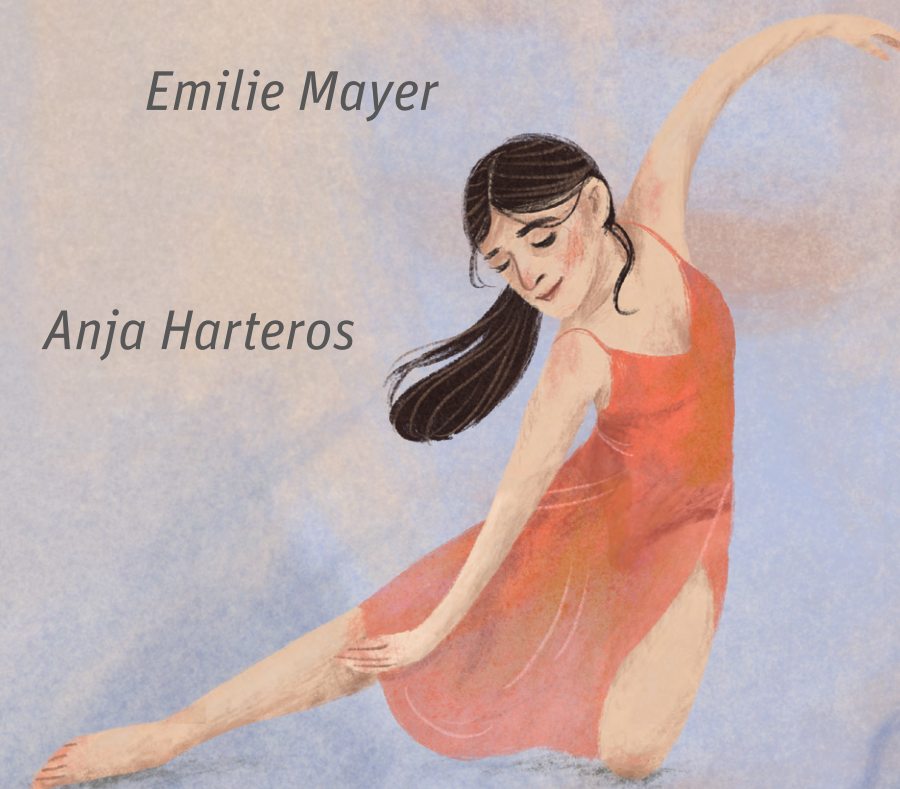
Anja Harteros

Anne Sophie Mutter

Alma Deutscher

Han-na Chang

Nadia Boulanger



My Life is Music – The 21 Most Important Women in Classical Music

Women turn the world upside down, are courageous and full of passion. Music makes us grow wings and inspires us. The two together make a perfect combination: female musicians! This book introduces 21 fascinating women and pioneers who, despite adversity, have managed to make music an important part of their lives or profession. The accompanying audio book introduces the women with many inspiring musical examples.

A picture book with exciting biographies of important female artists: Clara Schumann, Anne-Sophie Mutter, Misty Copeland, Maria Callas and many more.



Kristina Dumas is a journalist and author. She has written numerous articles and stories for children. Several of her musical picture books and non-fiction books have been published by Annette Betz.



Malin Neumann completed her Bachelor's degree in Design and Illustration at MSD Münster in 2019 and won the prize for the best final thesis. She completed her master's degree at HAW Hamburg in 2023 with an animated film. She has been working as a freelance illustrator and animator since the start of her studies.

Musical picture book 5+



Music and lyrics on the accompanying CD and for streaming

Orchestra: Grazer Philharmoniker, Orchestra, Chicago Baroque Ensemble and others.

Playing time: approx. 60 minutes

- Various musical careers to discover to inspire a new generation of female musicians: composer, conductor, soloist, singer, dancer
- Accompanying audio book with numerous music examples as a CD in the book as well as streaming at MuBiBu.de

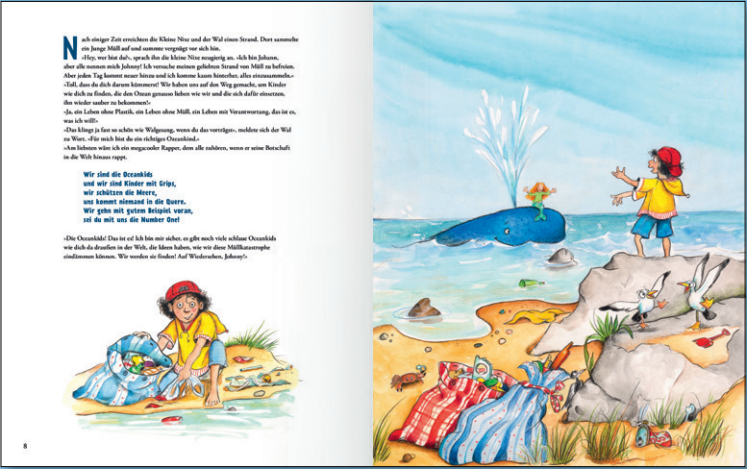
Kristina Dumas / Malin Neumann
My Life is Music
The 21 Most Important Women in Classical Music

40 pages
Hardcover
24 x 30 cm
● With audio CD
Playing time approx. 60 min.

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Oceankids – Our Voices are for the Sea

As the little mermaid and her friend, the big whale, swim through the ocean, they notice something strange. As they get closer, they realise that it is a large carpet of rubbish floating in the water. The little mermaid is outraged. It can't be right that people treat their beloved ocean like this! Mermaid and whale decide to exchange ideas with the humans. On their journey around the world, they meet the Oceankids: children who are all doing their bit to protect their beloved ocean.



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Barbara Rose / Katharina Sieg
Mr. Octopus Cleans Up the Sea
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Hardcover
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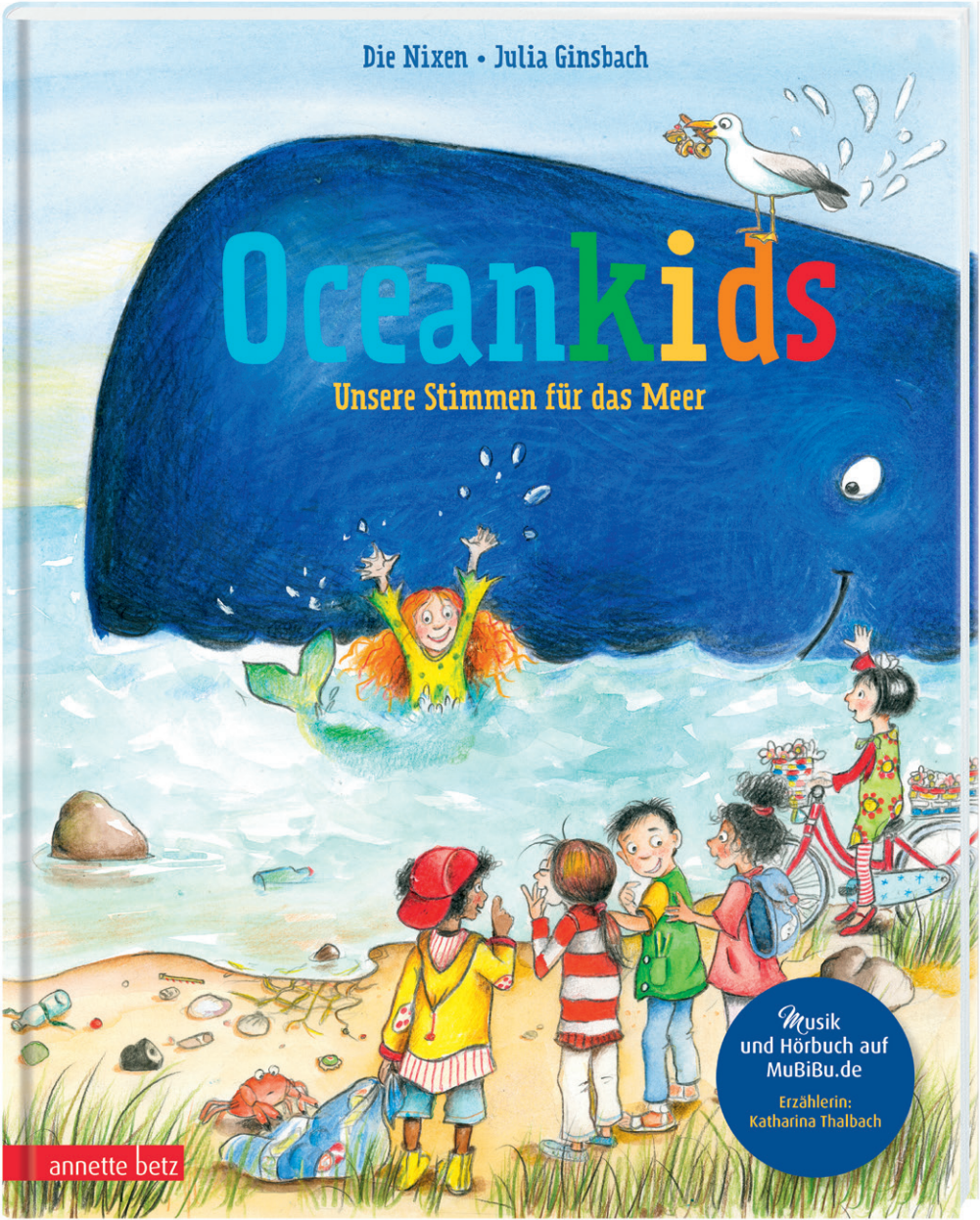


DIE NIXEN – four musicians who have been diving through the musical oceans with their listeners since 2006, creating their own sound with violins, viola, cello and their voices. Whether in their musical sea OCEANKIDS or their EMOCEANS programme, great melodies, virtuoso tones and pop grooves can be heard.



Julia Ginsbach, born in Darmstadt in 1967, studied in Heidelberg and now works as a freelance illustrator and musician in Mecklenburg. She has published over 250 books and has worked with Rolf Zuckowski and Julia Boehme, among others. She tours throughout the German-speaking world as a stage artist with a live children's programme.

Picture book
5+



- A modern children’s musical with works of the string quartet “Die Nixen”
- Shows how children can also contribute to environmental protection
- Accompanying audio book read by Katharina Thalbach for streaming at MuBiBu.de

Die Nixen / Julia Ginsbach
Oceankids – Our Voices are for the Sea
32 pages
Hardcover
24 × 30 cm
Accompanying audio book for streaming at MuBiBu.de
Playing time approx. 60 min
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A Class Full of Superheroes and the Most Normal Teacher in the World

Tian, Laura, Amani and Nagib go to superhero school because they are real superhero kids: Tian can read minds, Nagib can become invisible, Laura can fly and Amani is incredibly strong. Only their new teacher, Mr. Schnitt, is completely normal. Well, he also has a superpower: he is great in maths and reading. But will it be enough for him to get a grip on the superhero band?



Children's book
7+



Rüdiger Bertram / Dominik Rupp
A Class Full of Superheroes and the Most Normal Teacher in the World

96 pages
Hardcover with b/w illustrations
14,8 × 21 cm

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Rüdiger Bertram has been writing funny and serious books for children and young for over fifteen years now. He lives in Cologne with his wife, daughter and a million books.



Dominik Rupp, studied design in Münster and worked for numerous renowned publishing houses during his studies. He now lives in the countryside with his family and is mostly inspired by nature for his illustrations.

- **The funny series about a school class that is anything but normal**
- **Wittily told in short sentences and with many black and white illustrations**
- **Perfect for starting reading**

The Little Evil Puzzle Book 2 – Loosening is dangerous!

Wow! The Little Evil Book has fallen into a seemingly endless sleep. Who is behind it? Luckily, the Little Evil Puzzle Book is on the spot and tries to track down the culprit in a mysterious chase. But it urgently needs help from a clever puzzle fan!

The search continues through musty puzzle corners and hidden labyrinths into outer space. Can the secret of the mysterious sleep be uncovered and the Little Evil Book awakened again?



Children's book
7+



Magnus Myst / Thomas Hussung / Schuft
The Little Evil Puzzle Book 2
Loosening is Dangerous!

80 pages
Softcover with colourful illustrations
17 × 24 cm

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Magnus Myst runs the agency for time travel, quantum magic and adventure alongside his work as a magician. Apart from that, he's just a normal person who, stupidly, can't stop being fascinated by the wonders of the universe.



Thomas Hussung, born in 1990 in Baden-Württemberg, studied communication design in Hamburg and now works as a freelance illustrator and author. His favourite things to draw are monsters, ghosts and other mythical creatures.

- The second puzzle adventure with darn tricky tasks for all fans of The Little Bad Book
- The best puzzle entertainment for “Das kleine Böse Buch” fans – to be read completely independently and to solve
- Unique: exciting story leads through tricky puzzles

Seven Star Magic Academy – Will You Save the Magic School?

Archmagister Marcellus has organised an exchange programme with three partner magic schools and here you are to travel with the academy! But once on place, it becomes apparent that dark forces are planning to kidnap the entire school of magic.

It should be started working quickly in order to find out who is behind the dark plan, before it's too late for you and the Seven Star Academy...

Tip



Hendrik Lambertus / Philipp Ach
Seven Star Magic Academy

160 pages
Hardcover with colorful illustrations
14,8 × 21 cm

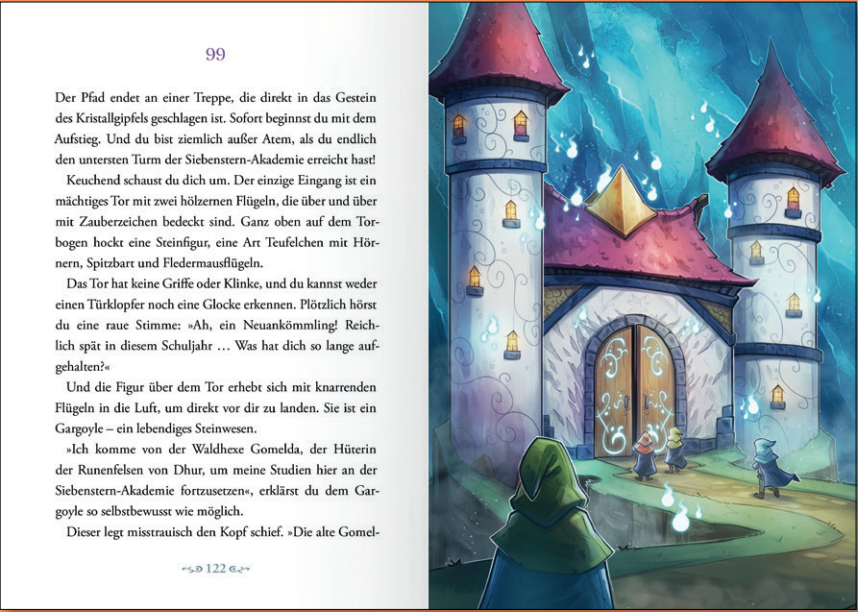
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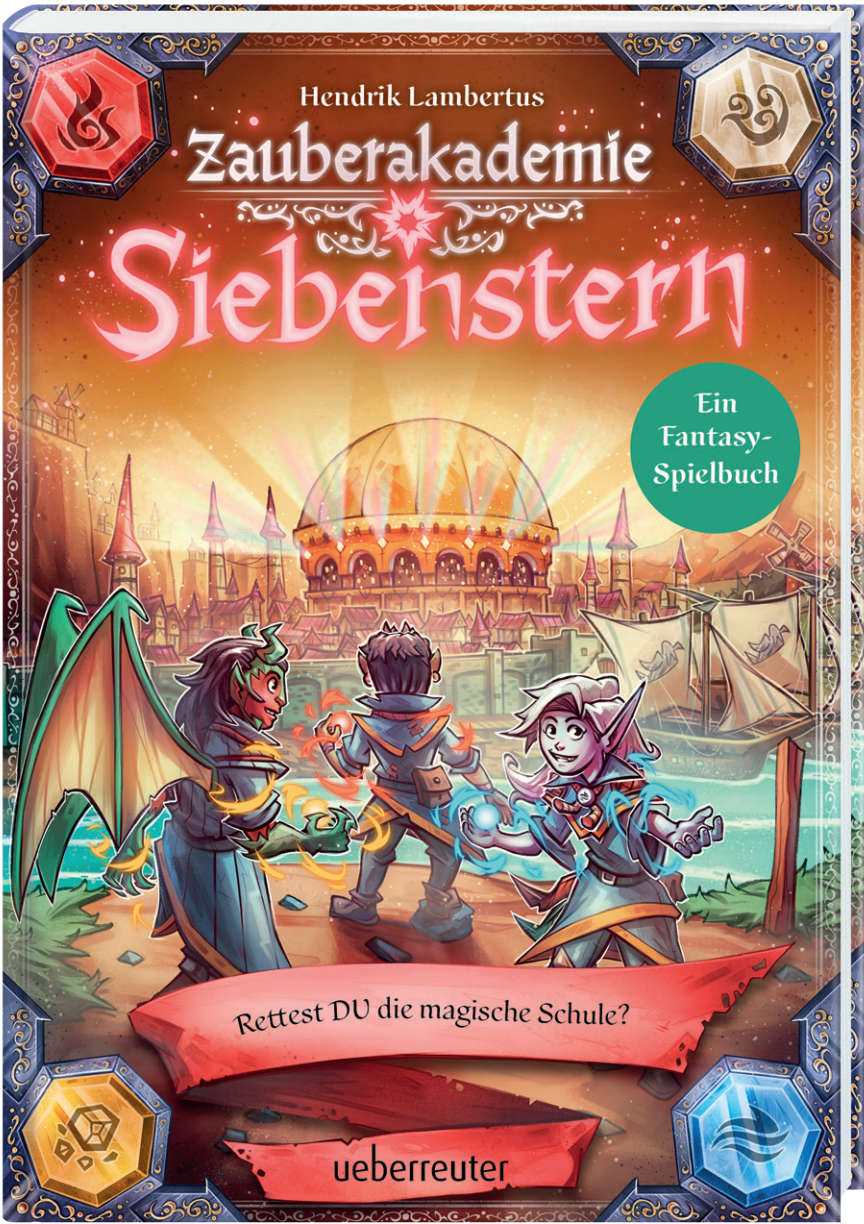
Hendrik Lambertus was born in Hanover in 1979. He studied German, Scandinavian and Indian literature in Tübingen and worked there as a research assistant during his doctorate. He lives near Bremen with his wife and four children.



Philipp Ach, studied illustration and design at Münster University of Applied Sciences and the HAW Hamburg. He now works as a freelance illustrator in Emsland. He illustrates games, books and other medias that let the adventurers to immerse into fantastic and strange worlds.



Children's book
8+



Hendrik Lambertus / Philipp Ach
Seven Star Magic Academy
Will You Save the Magic School?

160 pages
Hardcover with colorful illustrations
14,8 × 21 cm

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- A thrilling new volume in the choose-your-own-adventure book series
- The wizarding academy goes travelling: Can the readers save the magic school from a kidnapping?
- Special reading motivation with characters stylised in video game theme

Whispering Forest – A New Threat: The Last Spark of Magic

The evil sorceress has managed to stone all the whispering forests. Only the one in Germany remains. But now the sorceress has arrived to remove the magic here too. Lukas, Ella and their friends from the Whispering Forest face the greatest challenge of their lives: will they manage to stop the dark powers in time and save the last spark of magic?



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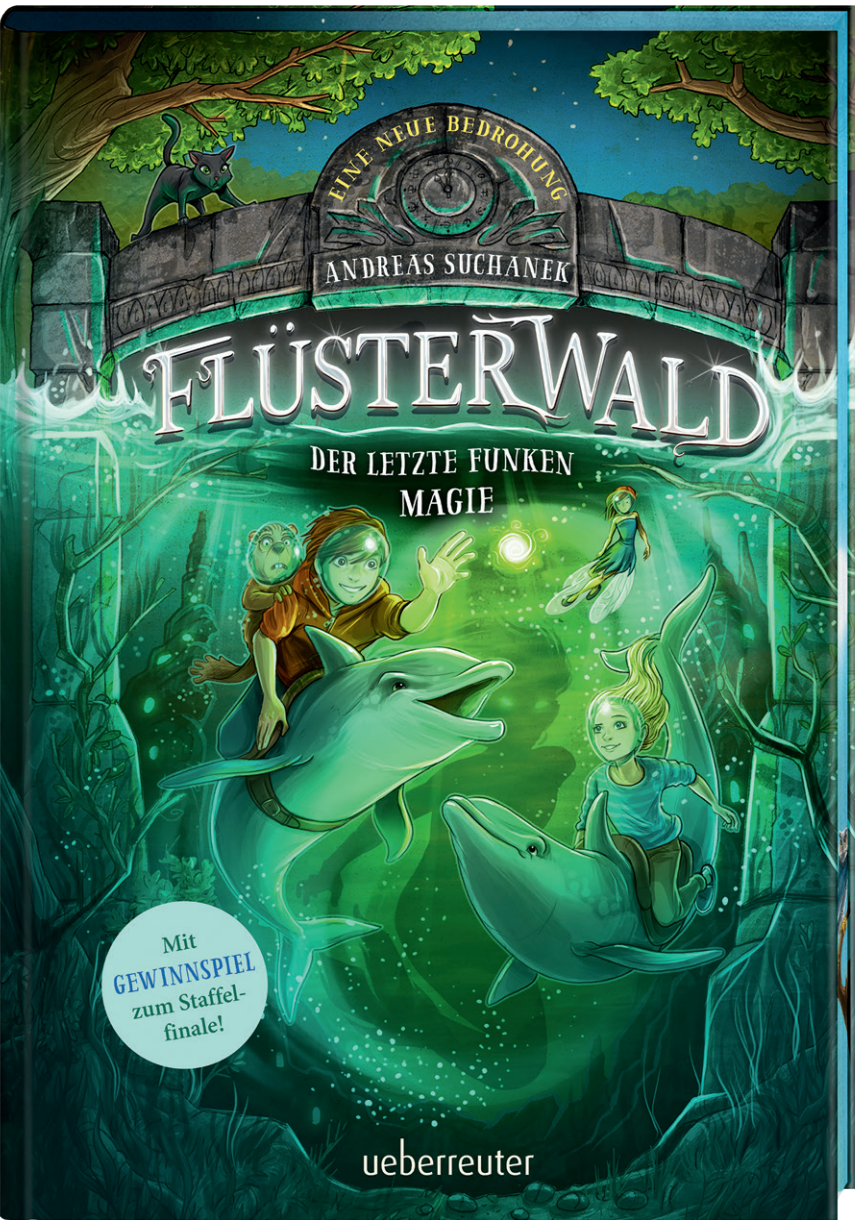


Andreas Suchanek is a computer scientist, but his heart has always beaten for books. His books have been honoured with the “German Fantasy Prize” and the “Lovelybooks Readers’ Prize”, among others. “Flüsterwald” is his first series for children.



Timo Grubing, studied illustration at the FH Münster and has lived back in his home town of Bochum since graduating in 2007. He works as a freelance illustrator in a wide variety of fields: He illustrates children’s and youth books, games and comics.

Children’s book
9+



Andreas Suchanek / Timo Grubing
Whispering Forest – A New Threat
(II. Vol. 4)
The Last Spark of Magic

256 pages
Hardcover with b/w illustrations
14,8 × 21 cm

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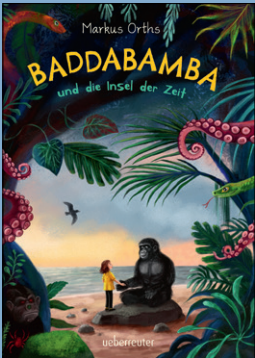
- The thrilling season finale of the popular adventure series!
- Author with a large social media presence and huge fan base
- Series honoured several times with the LovelyBooks-Community Award

Baddabamba and the Golden Hourglass

Paula longs to return to the Island of Time, to her friends, especially to the wise gorilla Baddabamba! She gets one last chance – from the head of the Office for unspoken wishes. In return, however, he demands to be taken to the island. And this has terrible consequences, because he wants to destroy the golden hourglass at the heart of the island and erase all time in the world. Paula must not let this happen under any circumstances. But the more she tries to avert disaster, the deeper she falls into her adversary’s traps ...



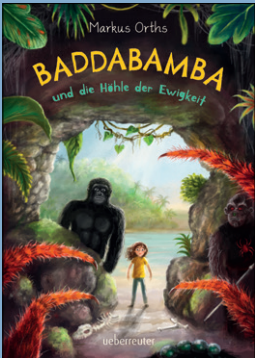
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Baddabamba and the Cave of Eternity

384 pages
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Baddabamba and the Island of Time

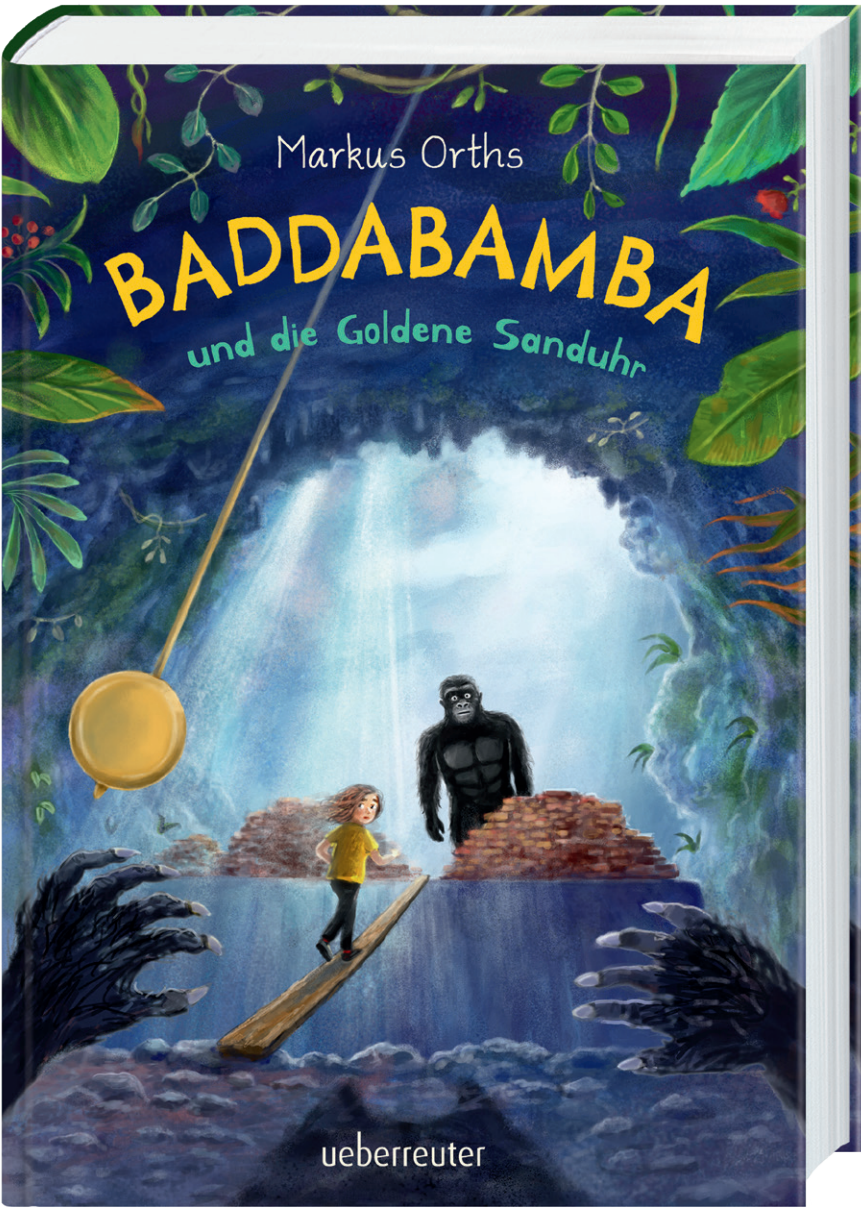
352 pages
Hardcover
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Markus Orths, born in 1969 in Viersen, lives nowadays in Karlsruhe. He has published 15 books for adults, most recently the novel “Mary & Claire” with Carl Hanser Verlag. He is the father of three children.

Children’s book
10+



Markus Orths / Verena Körting
Baddabamba and the Golden Hourglass

320 pages
Hardcover
14,8 × 21 cm

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- **The breathtaking final volume of the Baddabamba trilogy**
- **Philosophical adventure novel of the highest quality: thrilling from page one**
- **An exciting and touching book about the consequences of our actions**

Rory Shy, the Shy Detective – The Blackmail of the Sauce king

A new case for the famous shy detective and his 13-year-old assistant Matilda: during the musical performance of “Murderous Wives”, Matilda witnesses a crime when an actress is abducted from the stage. The actress turns out to be the daughter of millionaire Gisbert König – also known as the “Sauce King” – who became rich selling ready-made sauces. Who is behind the kidnapping? As always, Rory and Matilda are on their way supported by the cocker spaniel Dr Herkenrath.



GISBERT KÖNIG

“Sauces of the very best quality. From the jar and from the bag. If the sauce tastes particularly delicious, it must be from the king of sauces!”



Oliver Schlick works in inpatient youth welfare and refugee work. When he's not writing, he spends his free time with collecting snow globes and tin toys and listening excessively to "The Cure". He lives in Düsseldorf.



Children's book
10+



Oliver Schlick
Rory Shy, the Shy Detective – The Blackmail of the Sauce King

320 pages
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- Volume 6 of the somewhat different crime series
- Clever, funny and with wonderfully unusual characters
- Bursting with fine, intelligent humour

♪ **Brass music meets
and the**

**Heavy Metal...
underworld awakens!**



Wind Bride



Finger cracker

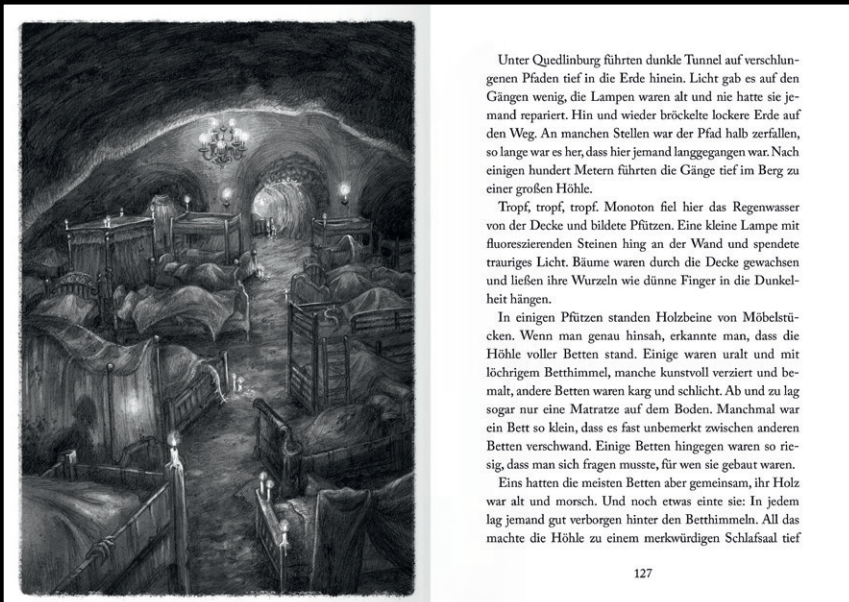


Sound collector



The City of Shadow Sleepers and the Melody of Nightmares

In idyllic Quedlinburg brass music is celebrated like a religion: every kid plays a brass instrument with no one being upset about it. A 13-year-old Elly hates it like nobody else and dreams of escaping to a place where heavy metal is sacred. Together with the town's outsider kids, she forms a band that doesn't play by Quedlinburg's rules. In that way they are awakening a dark secret of the town that has long been dormant ...



Unter Quedlinburg führten dunkle Tunnel auf verschlungenen Pfaden tief in die Erde hinein. Licht gab es auf den Gängen wenig, die Lampen waren alt und nie hatte sie jemand repariert. Hin und wieder bröckelte lockere Erde auf den Weg. An manchen Stellen war der Pfad halb zerfallen, so lange war es her, dass hier jemand langgegangen war. Nach einigen hundert Metern führten die Gänge tief im Berg zu einer großen Höhle.

Tropf, tropf, tropf. Monoton fiel hier das Regenwasser von der Decke und bildete Pfützen. Eine kleine Lampe mit fluoreszierenden Steinen hing an der Wand und spendete trauriges Licht. Bäume waren durch die Decke gewachsen und ließen ihre Wurzeln wie dünne Finger in die Dunkelheit hängen.

In einigen Pfützen standen Holzbeine von Möbelstücken. Wenn man genau hinsah, erkannte man, dass die Höhle voller Betten stand. Einige waren uralte und mit löchrigem Betthimmel, manche kunstvoll verziert und bemalt, andere Betten waren karg und schlicht. Ab und zu lag sogar nur eine Matratze auf dem Boden. Manchmal war ein Bett so klein, dass es fast unbemerkt zwischen anderen Betten verschwand. Einige Betten hingegen waren so riesig, dass man sich fragen musste, für wen sie gebaut waren.

Eins hatten die meisten Betten aber gemeinsam, ihr Holz war alt und morsch. Und noch etwas einte sie: In jedem lag jemand gut verborgen hinter den Betthimmel. All das machte die Höhle zu einem merkwürdigen Schlafsaal tief

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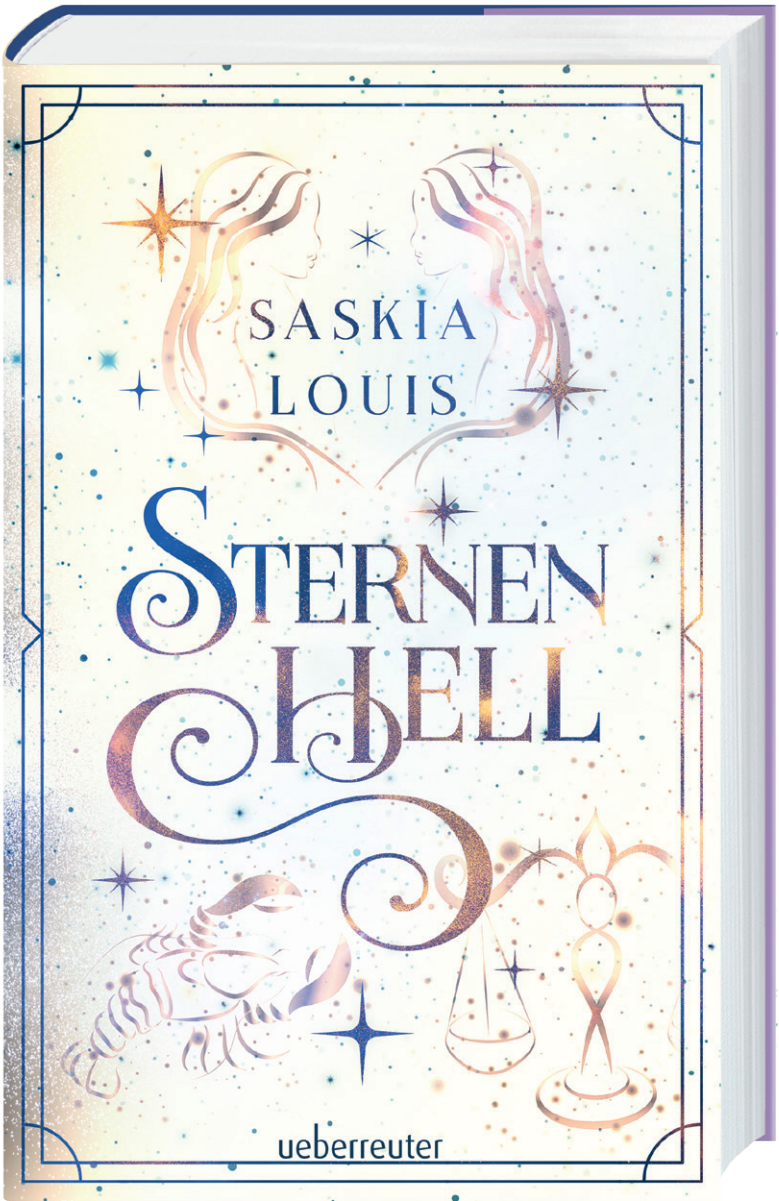
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I expect from you as the faithful Servant of the Crown that you are to send your daughters to the capital within ten nights.

In close solidarity and with the confidence in your wisdom, I bid you farewell

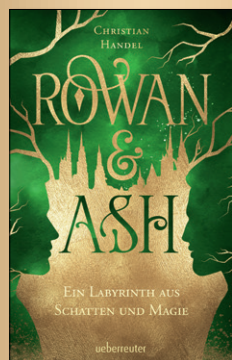
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