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Dear partners and friends from around the world,

We hope that after a wonderful summer you are ready to dive into the fall novelties with renewed energy.

There is a lot to discover on our fall list, starting with our first Graphic Novels:

- Which child doesn't dream of having a pet? So does **Franky**, a $\frac{3}{4}$ zombie. When his biggest dream comes true, his new companion turns out to be a slime spitting mini dragon called Odi. Oh boy. But the longer the two work on solving problems together, the fonder Franky grows of Odi, until they become an unbeatable team in the fight against everyday chaos. Franky is a series of 3 titles for kids age 8+ which you will certainly love as much as we do.
- Our middle grade top title takes you back to London, 1851, and introduces you to **Joshua Jackelby** – a fearless newspaper boy, living at Waterloo Station, who dreams of a better life as a royal messenger. He and his friends witness a crime and are drawn into an adventure that they never would have dreamed of – including flying machines, the crown jewels of the Queen, and a beautiful peacock. For boys and girls age 10+.
- Our queen of romantasy, Julia Dippel, spoils her fans with a gripping and spicy urban fantasy – **Velvet falls, but the Gods forgot to die**. Demon rider Velvet must save the new Gods by collecting the blood of the 7 divine sons. Much to her regret she needs the help of her ex, Kash, one of the divine sons and the cause of her downfall five years ago. Their cooperation plunges Velvet into a desperate battle for her life, her heart – and the fate of the world.

Enjoy browsing our catalogue. We look forward to hearing your feedback and meeting you in Frankfurt or online. Have a bookish autumn!

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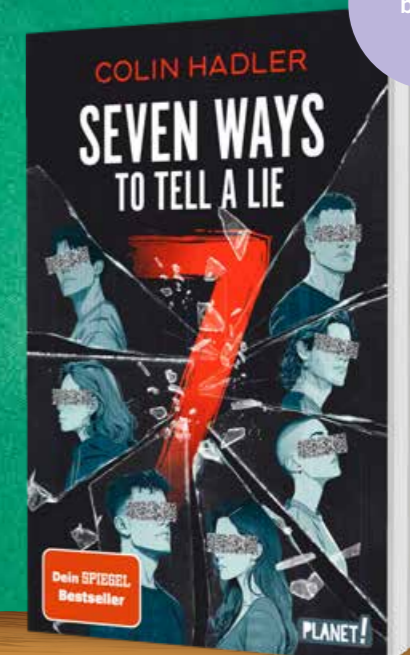
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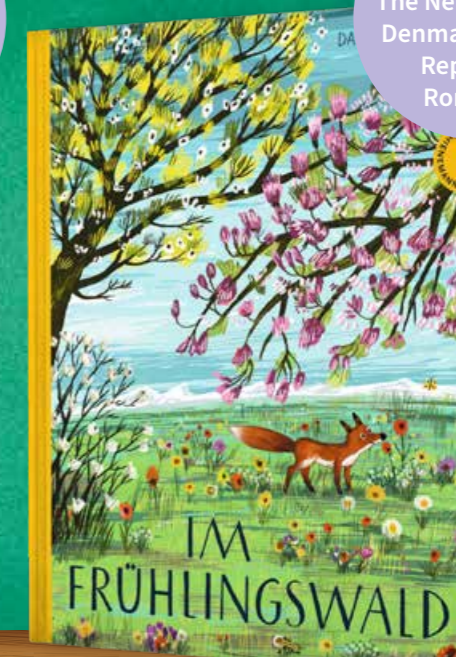
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READING
EXCERPTSPECIAL ISSUE!
SPECIAL ISSUE!

A NEW ADVENTURE IS CALLING –
WHO DARES TO VENTURE
INTO THE DARK ALLEYS OF LONDON?



Joshua leapt and grasped the heavy chain and, propelled forwards by the momentum, he swung back and forth by the crane, slid down the rough chain links and slit his palms open, until he was finally low enough to let himself drop down. But he was unlucky. He narrowly missed the rolls of empty coal sacks and plunged onto the cobbles in front of the warehouse. Pain shot through his ankles, tears sprung from his eyes, but he forced himself to stand up. Just don't stand still. Keep going! He limped laboriously to the jetty. Under

it lay the Thames beach, with its black stones and heavy posts, stained dark by the water, driven deep into the loamy riverbed and serving as anchor posts for fishing boats and freight barges. The lights of the opposite shore sparkled on the water, but he couldn't find a trace of the burlap sack. He felt painful tension in his chest. Was he too late? Had the river already swallowed him up? Then he heard the yelping, filled with fear, which sounded like crying out. He finally spotted the little bundle. It was drifting a fair distance further down on the water, towards Waterloo Bridge. Josh hastily stuffed his cap in his waistcoat pocket, slid down from the jetty, stumbled over the slippery stones and jumped into the ice-cold water of the Thames.

Gangs of London, 1851

- Unforgettable characters shine in this cinematically written novel
- A tribute to courage, solidarity and friendship

TOP TITLE

London, 1851. Joshua, a clever newspaper boy, dreams of becoming a royal messenger. Together with his friends and his loyal dog Hazel, Josh faces the dark shadows of London: a world of street gangs, villains, and hidden secrets. In a race against time, he chases thieves who have stolen the groundbreaking plans for a flying machine from a brilliant inventor – and uncovers a conspiracy that reaches the highest circles of society. But this discovery puts Josh and his friends in grave danger!



Benedict Mirow is an ethnologist and film director who produces documentary films in the areas of art and culture for many years and compiles film portraits about artists such as Daniel Hope, Lang Lang or Paulo Coelho. He won numerous international awards with his films.

Max Meinzold is a freelance graphic designer and illustrator who has been nominated for many prizes for his innovative book creations.

Timo Kümmel has been working as a freelance illustrator and artist in Berlin since 2009.

More by the author:



The Chronicals of Mistle End 1: The Griffin Awakens
416 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
Age: 10+
ISBN 978-3-522-18540-0
Sold to: Russia, Ukraine, Denmark, Czech Republic



The Druid of Mistle End 1: Attack of the Demons
416 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
Age: 10+
ISBN 978-3-522-18608-7
Sold to: Ukraine



Benedict Mirow, Maximilian Meinzold (Ill.), Timo Kümmel (Ill.)

Joshua Jackelby

400 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm

Age: 10+

ISBN 978-3-522-18860-9

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A witty and quirky comic graphic novel

- A unique friendship: a lovable zombie boy and a slime-spitting mini dragon
- A hilariously story that shows how “being different” can become a superpower
- Perfect for reluctant readers aged 8 and up

TOP TITLE

Franky is a true disaster magnet. The most unbelievable things keep happening to him, so he's decided to document everything in a photo book. Being $\frac{3}{4}$ zombie doesn't make things any easier – because “being different” can sometimes be pretty exhausting. Still, Franky's ultimate goal is to become a famous creepy creature photographer. Luckily, Franky can talk to creepy creatures. Unluckily, he's paired with Odi – a mini dragon who spits gross slime instead of fire ... Not exactly helpful when you're trying to find your own cool creepy creature.



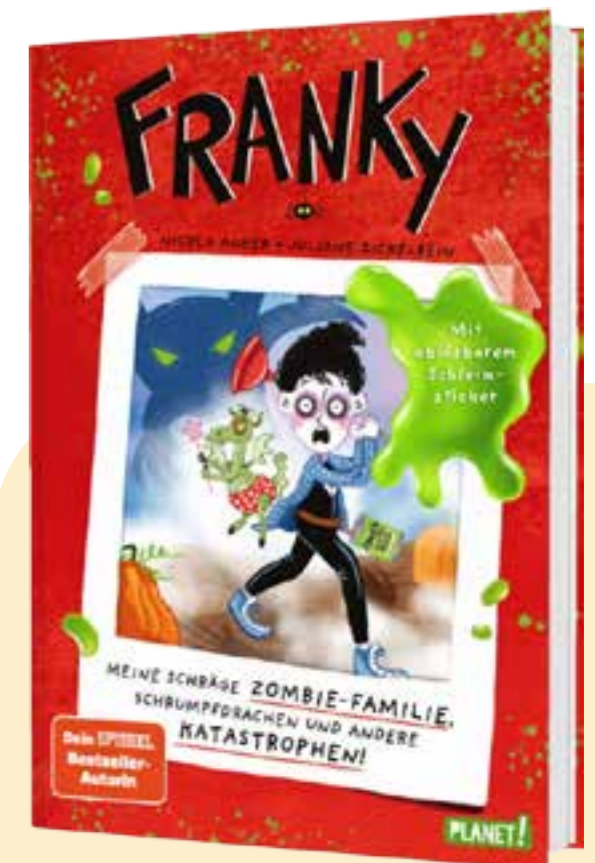
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Nicola Anker grew up in a small Bavarian town. After spending a few years working for a newspaper publisher, she completed a writing degree specializing in children's and young adult literature.

Juliane Zickelbein grew up in vibrant Berlin. After completing her training as a media designer, she worked for several years as a graphic designer and creative director. Today, Juliane is pursuing her favorite passion: illustrating children's books.



Nicola Anker, Juliane Zickelbein (Ill.)
Franky 1: My Wacky Zombie Family, Mini Dragons and Other Disasters
 112 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-522-50877-3
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Reading Excerpt

“Velvet Rose Dévereaux.”

Although Cashmere wasn’t speaking particularly loudly, his contemptuous tone of voice made my flesh crawl. Derision adorned with a charming smile. He came across as so laid back, but a withering glow burnt in his amber eyes. “It has been quite a while.”

Damn it. This had not been part of the plan. I had intended to face him as a strong, self-confident woman. I had wanted to show him that I had got over him a long time ago. I had wanted to hide my old wounds and scars, as well as the monster I had become.

“Not long enough...,” I muttered. With all the dignity that I could muster, I straightened my dress that Mr Tequila had messed up, while Mr Button-in-Ear at Cash’s side could hardly keep his mouth shut. “That is Velvet?! The Velvet?” Cash didn’t reply. His eyes were piercing me unwaveringly and the charm dissipated from his voice. “Why are you here, Vel?”

I shrugged. “Self-esteem deficit.”

“That was obvious,” he threw at me drily. “Or did you think that for old time’s sake I would find it easier to recognise you if you had your tongue in another bloke?”

The potshot hit the mark, but I brushed it off. I was not that easy to provoke. “Well, that seems to have become my trademark in recent years. But unfortunately...,” I fished the black business card out of my bra. “...I haven’t got time for nostalgic musing. We have to talk.”

Seven Sons of the Gods. A magical virus. A fallen heroine — are you ready?

Dark, epic, romantic — Julia Dippel at her best

Featuring fan-favorite tropes like *Enemies to Lovers*, *Forced Proximity* and *Second Chance Romance*

TOP TITLE
HOT

After the stars fell, magic and new gods returned. Velvet dreamed of joining a coven of witches, but betrayal forced her to become a demon rider. When visions of a burning future reveal a magical virus threatening the gods, Velvet must collect the blood of the seven divine sons. The task seems impossible – except she knows one: Kash, her ex and the cause of her heartbreak. Asking for his help reopens old wounds and plunges Velvet into a battle for her heart – and the fate of the world.



© Rob Perkins

Julia Dippel has written several bestselling romantasy series. She works as a freelance director for theatre and musical theatre in Munich. To pass the magic of storytelling on to the forthcoming generations, she has been teaching children and young people about dramatic figures for more than ten years. Her scripts, adaptations and own works have been performed on many occasions.

More by the author:



A Song to Raise a Storm
512 pages • 14,7 × 22 cm
Age: 16+
ISBN 978-3-522-50813-1
Sold to: Spain, Russia, Hungary



Cassardim 1: Beyond the Golden Bridge
528 pages • 14,7 × 22 cm
Age: 13+
ISBN 978-3-522-50645-8
Sold to: Russia



Julia Dippel, Carmen Di Mauro (Ill.)
Velvet Falls, but the Gods Forgot to Die

512 pages • 14,7 × 22 cm

Age: 16+

ISBN 978-3-522-90000-3

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Sam Goes to Bed

Sam kann ganz allein aufs Töpfchen gehen.



Einschlafen,
das geht nur mit Mamas Kuss.



What Noa likes

Noa ist groß.
Noa mag ganz viel.
So wie Mama oder Papa.

Zum Beispiel:
Reis mit Tomatensoße essen.



Dann mag sie am liebsten mit Mama kuscheln.



These cute elephant and bunny are an instant favorite!

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- Everyday scenes offer identification for the little ones



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Yayo Kawamura
What Noa likes
18 pages • 16,5 × 16,5 cm
Age: 12+ months
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A cardboard book from 12 months full of emotions about falling asleep and the close bond between parent and child.

Sam can already do a lot on his own. He puts on his pyjamas all by himself in the evening, brushes his teeth on his own and snuggles up in his bed. But there is one thing he can't do on his own yet: fall asleep. Because he can only do that with a kiss from mummy.

A book that gently accompanies the little ones to sleep and deeply touches the grown-ups. Loving everyday rituals strengthen the bond between parent and child. Because as exciting as everyday life is in the first and second year of life, nothing beats the love for parents.

There are so many things that bunny Noa likes: Noa likes to eat rice with tomato sauce, Noa likes to draw with crayons, Noa likes to build a tower out of blocks... But when the tower falls over, Noa doesn't like it at all. Then there's only one thing Noa wants to do: cuddle with mummy.

Even the little ones have their own preferences and interests right from the start — but mom and dad are still the greatest thing for them. Because as exciting as everyday life is in the first and second year of life, nothing beats the love for parents. A book full of warmth that strengthens the parent-child relationship and quickly enchants readers.

Play With Me!



With lots of **pull and slide effects** on the cover and inside



Will you bring me to bed?



Playtime with the Little Dormouse!

- Includes interactive sliding elements for movement and discovery
- Promotes fine motor skills, language development and creativity



Sabine Bohlmann, Kerstin Schoene (Ill.)
Play With Me!
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 12 pages • 17 × 17 cm
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Sabine Bohlmann, Kerstin Schoene
Will you bring me to bed?
 The Little Dormouse
 12 pages • 17 × 17 cm
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 ISBN 978-3-522-46063-7
 Sold to: Denmark
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Sliding, rocking, jumping, and hiding – with the Little Dormouse, every movement becomes an adventure! The interactive sliding elements invite children aged 18 months and up to actively join in, while playfully developing their fine motor skills. Heartwarming illustrations and child-friendly texts support language development and create a special read-aloud experience. A high-quality, sturdy activity book that delights time and time again!

Little Dormouse is sooo tired, but who will put him to bed? This interactive sliding board book turns falling asleep into a magical ritual that your child can help with. First you brush the little dormouse's teeth, then we count sheep together. The child rocks him gently in his cuddly blanket and checks whether the moon has risen yet. Finally, the dormouse is covered with his cosy blanket.

50.000 copies sold in Germany!

First Search-and-Find Book for little farm fans

- 7 double-page spreads for searching and discovering
- Includes a short story about daily life on a farm
- Promotes observation skills and vocabulary in toddlers



Sibylle Schumann, Lena Heger (Ill.)
My Very First Search-and-Find Book: On the Farm
 16 pages • 23,5 × 24,5 cm
 Age: 2+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23983-2
 Sold to: Ukraine
 07/2025



There's so much to discover on this farm! Max and Mia visit piglets, alpacas, or horses and help feed the free-range chickens. Whether in the pasture, the barn, or the farm shop, the bustling scenes capture everyday life on the farm. Children can playfully learn about their favorite animals and the many tasks that happen on a farm. The detailed illustrations and fun search tasks encourage exploration and storytelling, supporting early language development.

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My Very First Search-and-find Book: At the Building Site
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Look closely, search, compare, and find – and have tons of fun while doing it!

- Double-page tabs for extra search challenges
- Hilarious animal characters full of charm
- Durable design for long-lasting search-and-find fun



The Bear family has loaded up their bikes with everything they need: a lamp, a box of books, a rug, swim fins, and even the big berry atlas. Everything must come along as they move from their small city apartment to their new house on the outskirts – with one surprise after another along the way! Who can find all the items and characters shown in the colorful tabbed search fields? Keep your eyes peeled and start searching!

More by the illustrator:



The little Search-and-Find egg
 18 pages • 13,8 × 18 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23985-6
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Come through the elf door!
 16 pages • 20 × 26 cm
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Barbara Korthues (Ill.)
All Around the City
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Endless play-and-search fun on panoramic pages

- Over 100 search tasks, a maze, and two dice games
- Promotes key skills like attention, hand-eye coordination, logical thinking, and language
- Durable design for long-lasting fun



Antje Hagemann (Ill.)
The Big Search-and-Find Fun Book
 12 pages • 25,15 × 26,6 cm
 Age: 4+
 ISBN 978-3-480-24090-6
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Where's the seahorse with the backpack? Which volcano is blowing the most bubbles? With over 100 funny search tasks, children can explore 90 cm wide panoramic pages that take them from a bustling underwater world to a wild jungle and into the vastness of outer space. In addition, the book includes a maze and two games that require sharp eyes and a bit of dice luck. Just grab some players, game pieces, and a die, fully unfold the book, and you're ready to play!

More books to play with:



My Vehicle Search-and-Find Book
 14 pages • 24,5 × 18,7 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23799-9
 World Rights available



My Big Farm Search-and-Find Book
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 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23860-6
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The fascinating changes in nature and the animal world

- Playfully discover the change from day to night
- With picture-word bar for naming and matching the animals



This search-and-find book invites children to explore the unique animal kingdom across different habitats — both during the day and at night! On every double-page spread, children can follow squirrels, hedgehogs, and other animals as they roam through meadows, forests, and waters, experiencing the transition from day to night up close. You can also discover jungle animals and learn which times of day they are most active.

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My First Search-and-Find-Book: Prehistoric animals
 16 pages • 24,5 × 32 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23862-0
 Sold to: Denmark, Italy



Animals from All Over the World
 16 pages • 24,5 × 32 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23231-4
 Sold to: Denmark, Sweden



Christine Henkel (Ill.)
My First Search-and-Find Book: Day and Night with the Animals
 16 pages • 24,5 × 32 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-24080-7
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Strangers welcome?

- A clever and profound picture book about the absurdity of prejudice
- With ingeniously funny illustrations by Barbara Scholz
- Perfect for reading aloud & discussing – for children aged 5 and over

Order reigns in Dusty Hill – until 5 odd birds appear and cause a stir: They drink water from plates, bathe in the sand and rest on a rope strung across town. While the locals watch them with suspicion, it becomes clear that sometimes our prejudices lead us down the wrong path.

The striking contrast between the self-righteous narrative voice and the actual events provides plenty of subtle humour and skilfully pokes fun at mistrust of strangers.



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Daniel Fehr studied German philology at Princeton University and at the Zurich University of the Arts and at the School of Visual Arts in New York. Today, he writes illustrated books and develops games for children, families and adults.

Barbara Scholz (*1969) studied Graphic Design in Münster and is now a freelance illustrator for various publishing houses.

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The Thing About the Dragon
32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
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Sold to: France

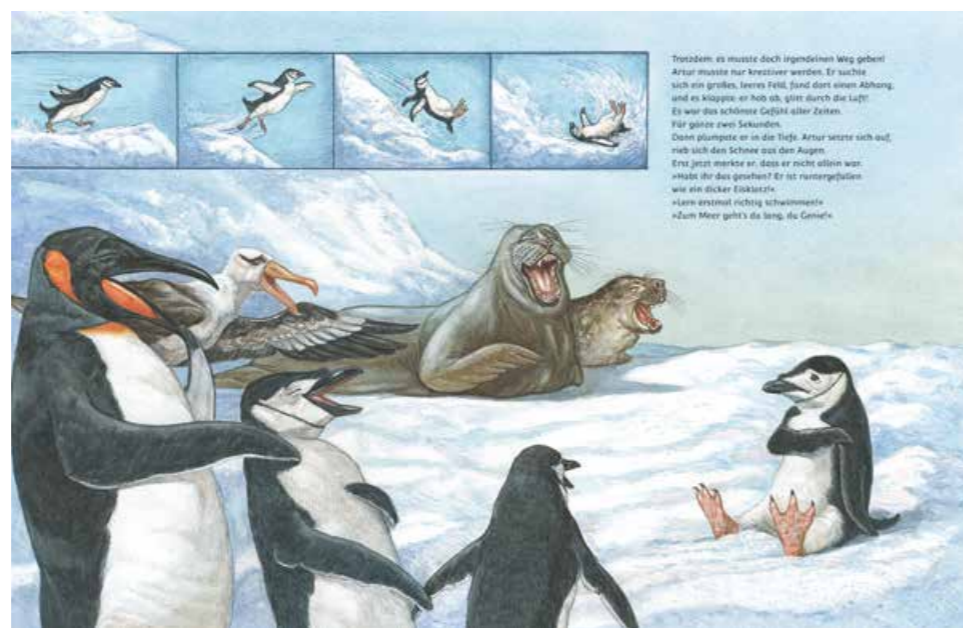
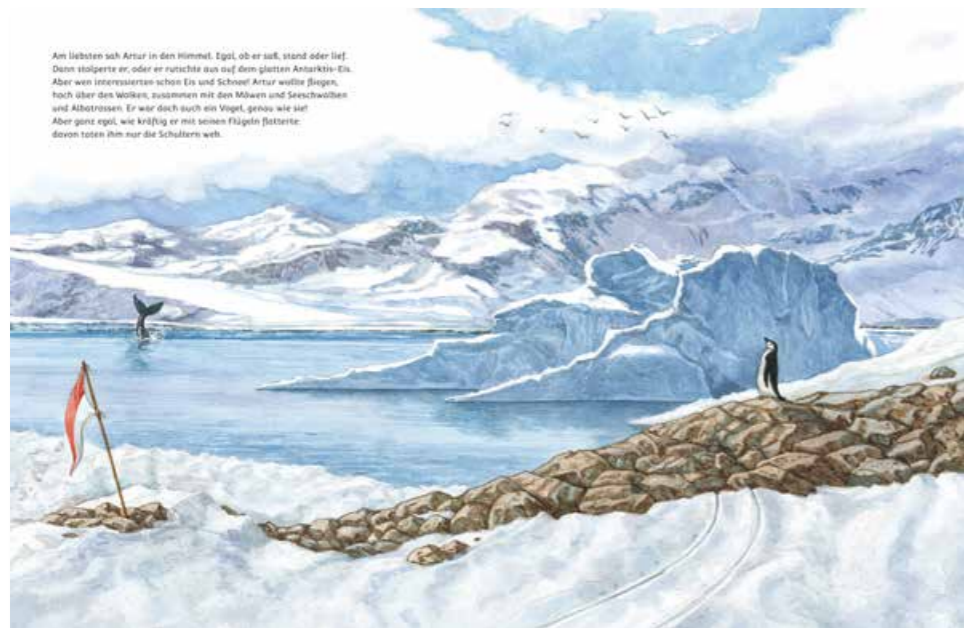


It won't be too bad, Duckie!
32 pages • 29,6 × 23,7 cm
Age: 4+
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Sold to: Denmark



Daniel Fehr, Barbara Scholz (Ill.)
Five Strangers in Dusty Hill
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Age: 5+
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A penguin with a big dream and a clever plan

- A unique hero who inspires and motivates
- Wonderfully illustrated – a real reading and storytelling experience
- For little adventurers and big dreamers

Arthur the penguin has a big dream: to fly!

But no matter how hard he tries, his wings won't carry him. When an airplane makes an emergency landing in Antarctica, Arthur sees his chance. With courage, an ingenious idea, and the help of his animal friends, he builds a runway in the middle of the eternal ice—and proves that you can reach for the stars even without wings. An inspiring picture book about big dreams, clever solutions, and the power of friendship.



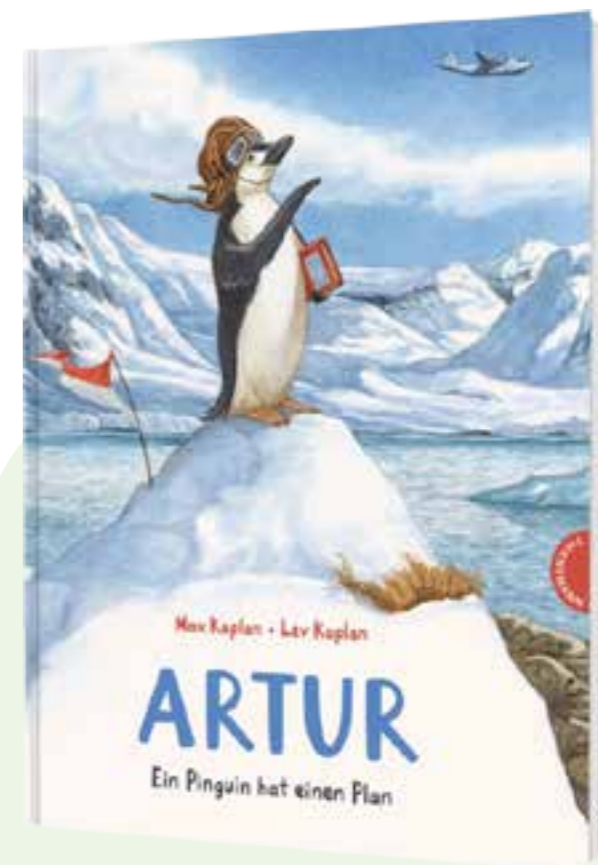
Lev Kaplan was born in Lugansk, Ukraine, in 1967 and was learning to draw and paint when he was seven. He first went to a children's art school and later studied architecture in Kiev, the Ukrainian capital. He and his family have been living in Stuttgart since 1992. Soon afterwards he first illustrated a children's book and has not been able to stop ever since.

Max Kaplan was born in Stuttgart in 1998 into a family of artists. He has been writing poems and short stories since elementary school. After graduating from high school, he wants to become a filmmaker. The story of "Eisbjörn" is his first picture book text.

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Eisbjörn
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Age: 4+
ISBN 978-3-522-45846-7
Sold to: France, Poland, Spain
(Basque), Spain (Spanish), Taiwan,
Italy



Lev Kaplan (Ill.), Max Kaplan
Artur
40 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
Age: 4+
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What if a child could reinvent the world?

Touching dialogue between a child and his grandfather – about life, loss and the beauty of the moment

A philosophical picture book that invites children and adults to reflect

“Why do people have to die? What if we could invent the world ourselves?” Little Bruno is sure: in his world, everything would be different! As he philosophizes with his grandfather about life and transience, he realizes maybe the world is just right as it is. With sensitivity and depth, bestselling author Sabine Bohlmann tells a heartwarming story about life and loss – illustrated by Simona Ceccarelli, the artist behind the successful picture book Momo.



After training to be an actress, Sabine Bohlmann has been in various films and series on television. She also works as a dubbing artist and has lent her voice to actors and characters like Lisa Simpson. Since 2004 she has been writing children's books.

Simona Ceccarelli has a diploma for illustration and concept art from the Academy of Arts University in San Francisco. Since 2016 she illustrates books, games and other products for children. www.smceccarelli.com

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Do you know what a Possum is?
32 pages • 26,6 × 26,6 cm
Age: 4+
ISBN 978-3-522-46057-6
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Emil's House on Wheels
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Sabine Bohlmann, Simona Ceccarelli (Ill.)

In My World

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Lino looks for a loo...

- A friendly elephant with a everyday problem every child knows
- Conveys an important message: We're all in this together!



Pina Gertenbach
Lino Needs To Pee (Really Badly)

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Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-480-23973-3

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Lino the elephant helps where he can. When a sudden cloudburst breaks out, the other animals take shelter under his umbrella. But the other animals are in a hurry and have urgent errands to run. And Lino? Of course he goes with them so they don't get wet. But then Lino also has an urgent need ... Where on earth is the nearest toilet?! Until the animals realize how desperate the elephant is, and they join forces to free him from his predicament. That was close!

More by the illustrator:



The Monkeys Race Through the Forest
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Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-480-23478-3
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Even farm animals squabble and fight

- A funny picture book story about constructive arguing and reconciliation
- The sixth adventure of the popular chicken family
- Charmingly illustrated by Christiane Hansen — perfect for reading aloud and smiling



On the farm, it's just like everywhere else: every now and then, there are arguments. The chicks fight over a shovel, the cows squabble over the juiciest patch of grass, and the ducks can't agree on how to play. Henri the rooster doesn't like this and decides to ban all arguments on the farm! But he soon realizes that sometimes you just have to argue – as long as you make up afterwards!

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How Henry Found Henriette
32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
Age: 4+
ISBN 978-3-522-45886-3
Sold to: Russia, Taiwan, Romania



Henry and Henriette - We're not scaredy-cats!
32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
Age: 4+
ISBN 978-3-522-46061-3
Sold to: Romania



Cee Neudert, Christiane Hansen (Ill.)
Henry and Henriette - No Arguing Allowed

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 4+

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Off to space – when a hamster becomes a hamstronaut!

- Funny story: The hamsters are the first on Mars
- A dreamy hamster with claustrophobia grows beyond himself
- Two fold-out pages for galactic panoramic views



Fee Krämer, Katja Wehner (Ill.)
Hänk - A Hamster Travels to Mars
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 Age: 4+
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Hamsters are just fluffy creatures? Think again! Hamsters are way ahead of humans, and in just a few days, they'll be setting off on their first mission to Mars! But that's not for Hamster Hänk. He loves space, but he would never dare to get into a space capsule. But then he involuntarily becomes part of the Mars mission! With the help of his friend Inge, he actually manages to overcome his fears. A small step for Hänk, but a giant leap for rodents!

More by the author:



When is Soon?
 34 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
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Just one more time!
 32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 3+
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Discover a glittering secret in the Christmas forest

- An enchanting story about sharing and making others happy
- Solve an exciting mystery together with the animals
- Awakes the anticipation of Christmas in young and old alike



The squirrel sighs with happiness when it discovers a glittering object on the forest floor, dark red and round. Could it be a particularly large raspberry? But not in the middle of winter! Together with the other forest animals, the squirrel tries to find out what this Christmas thing is for. And everyone wants to claim it for themselves. Generously, they finally bring it back to where two siblings are already missing it dearly: to the Christmas tree.

More by the author:



Ella Speaks a Thousand Languages
 32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23740-1
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Lima and the Magic Feather
 32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23814-9
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Madlen Ottenshläger, Mareike Ammersken (Ill.)
Who owns this Christmas thing?
 32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23992-4
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You have the best adventures with your best friends!

- Reading fun for ages 3 and up
- With important topics from everyday life: sharing, lying, behaving properly ...



Nele Moost, Annet Rudolph (Ill.)
The Little Raven - All Adventures with the Little Raven
 112 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 3+
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The first four picture book stories about Little Black Raven in one thick volume: about sharing and making friends, about behaving and celebrating wildly, about being sick and getting well again, about telling fibs and telling the truth – Little Black Raven and his friends experience great adventures together and solve all their problems in their own cheerful way. In the process, they learn again and again that friends are really the most important thing!



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Nele Moost was born in Berlin in 1952 and spent part of her childhood in Sweden. After her German Studies she worked as an editor in a children's book publishing house. Today she writes stories for children and adults, which have been translated into 30 languages.

Annet Rudolph studied Graphic Design in Münster with the main emphasis on children's book illustrations. Since then she works very successfully as a freelance illustrator for various publishers. Annet Rudolph created the popular children's book character Raven, the little Rascal together with the author Nele Moost, with whom she became internationally well-known.

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Bernhard Hoëcker is a TV and stage artist. For the youngest children, he reads with the 'Reading in Playschool' foundation.

Eva von Mühlenfels studied English language and literature. After that, she headed straight into TV in Cologne, where she worked as a producer on various entertainment formats, which received e.g. the Comedy and Grimme Award.

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Florian Beckerhoff, novelist and the father of two children in Berlin, was born in 1976. His first novel, "Mrs Ella", was a bestseller with 100,000 copies sold and in 2013 made into a film by Matthias Schweighöfer. Thienemann has published six children's books to date, the most successful being his humorous animal crime series "Nickel und Horn."

Sonja Bougaeva works as an animator and illustrator for several publishers. Her picture book "Zwei Schwestern bekommen Besuch" was nominated for the Deutscher Jugendliteraturpreis in 2006.

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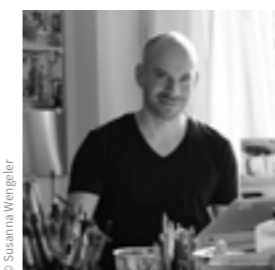


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Daniel Napp (*1974) studied Graphic Design in Münster. Even as a student, he won several awards. He now works as a freelance illustrator and has already illustrated numerous picture books and books for children.

Judith Ruyters studied English and German. She has been a freelance editor since 2004 and has worked as a freelance author, editor, and director for radio and publishing houses since 2009.



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Otfried Preußler is one of the best known and most successful authors of children's and juvenile literature in Germany and the world. His books have a world-wide print-run of about 50 mio. copies in more than 350 translations, some of them like "The Little Witch" or "Robber Hotzenplotz" have been translated into more than 50 languages.

Miriam Fritz studied illustration at HAW Hamburg, as well as biology, since nature has been one of her most important sources of inspiration since childhood. When she is not traveling, she lives in Cologne.



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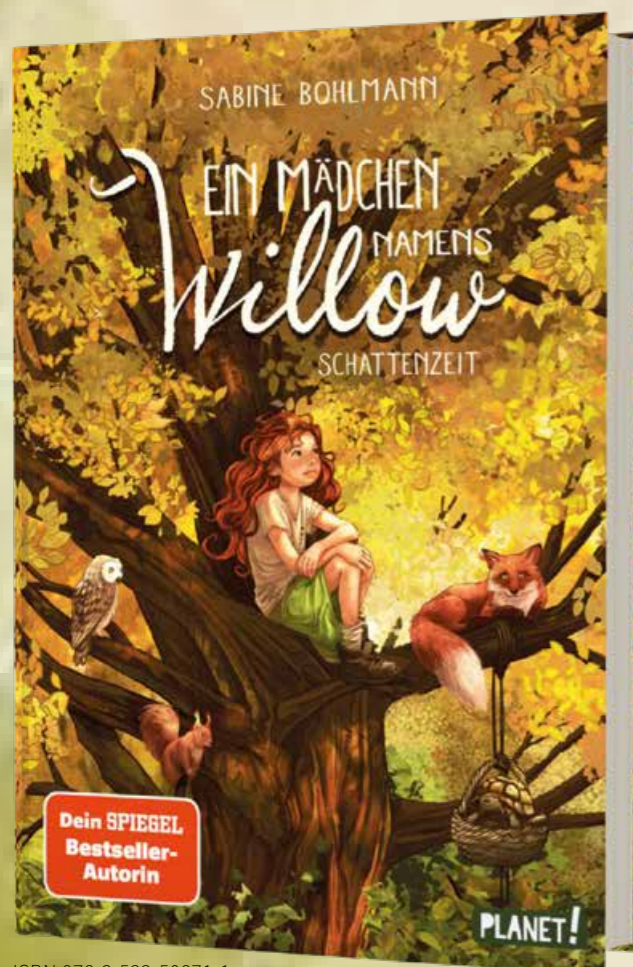
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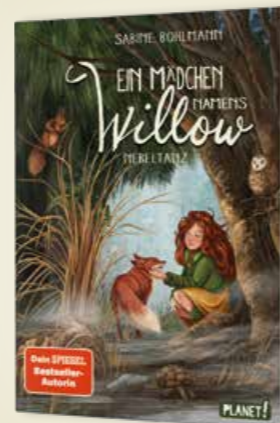
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After studying psychology, Heike Eva Schmidt first worked as a journalist, before receiving a bursary at the Screenplay Workshop Munich. Since then, she has been successfully working as a freelance screenplay writer and author.

Nikolai Renger studied Visual Communication at HFG in Pforzheim/Germany. He works as a freelance illustrator for various publishing houses and agencies.

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Judith Weber grew up with horses. Her family includes four children and Icelandic pony Ronja, whose coat never shines like silk, but who knows a few cool tricks. She writes books for children and adults.

Elena Cavion is Italian. Although she doesn't ride horses, she brings unicorns and other fantastic animals to life on paper.

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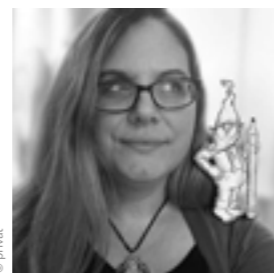
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Christiane Schreiber studied graphic design, trained as an educator and works as an author, freelance illustrator and as an educator. She likes to draw inspiration for her illustrations and book ideas from the stories of the nearby, legendary Siebengebirge mountains.

Monika Parciak was born in Gdansk and grew up in beautiful Neuss. She studied communication design and has worked as a freelance children's book illustrator and graphic designer ever since.

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Anna Beringer was born in Freiburg and grew up on the coast. After studying cultural and media education, she worked as a translator and journalist. Today she lives with her family in Berlin.

Almud Kunert studied Painting and Graphic Arts at the Academy of Fine Arts in Munich. She now works as a freelance illustrator in the field of advertising and for various publishing houses.



Anna Beringer, Almud Kunert (Ill.)
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Anne Bodinka, born in 1997, studied sports science and education. While pursuing her love of sports with a master's degree, the desire to publish her own books has always been a constant companion. In her free time, she plays basketball and tries her hand at sports such as acrobatics and swimming. She also loves playing the guitar and piano, singing, and sewing.

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Mina Teichert was born in Bremen in 1978 and lives in rural Lower Saxony with her family. After doggedly pursuing her goal as a child to become a circus rider and fortune teller, at the age of fourteen she switched to writing and is now an enthusiastic author of stories for young and old.

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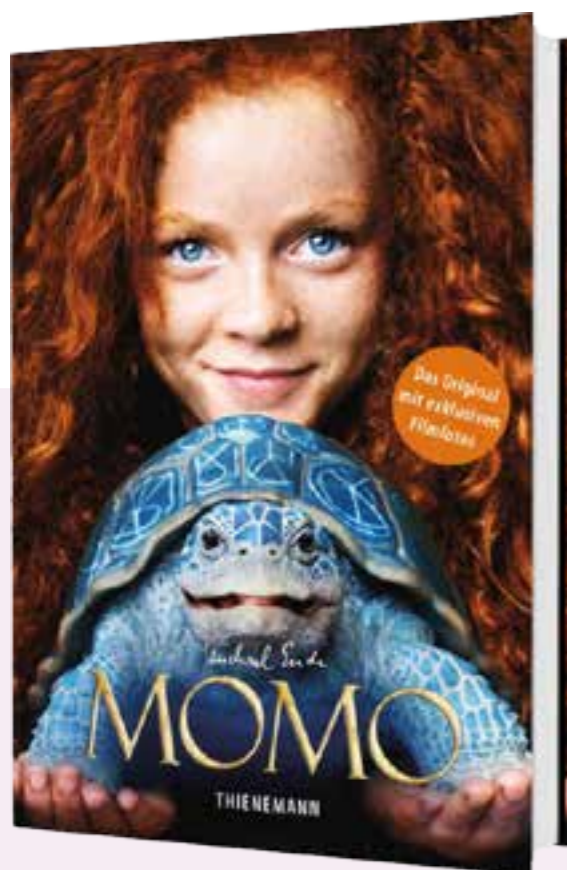
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Michael Ende (1929 - 1995). It was more by chance that he started writing for children, when he was asked to write the text for a picture book. Michael Ende let his love of telling stories take over and wrote "Jim Button and Luke the Engine Driver", which was an immediate and huge success after its publication in 1960. This was followed by other international best sellers, such as "Momo" (1973) and "The Neverending Story" in 1979. He is one of the most successful German authors, and over 35 million copies of his books have been sold in more than 40 languages. He was given many international prizes and literary awards for his works.

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Marie Hüttner, born in 1989, studied psychology and then had a scholarship at the Academy for Children's Media and was nominated for the "Berlin Children's Theatre Prize 2023". She lives in Berlin, where she develops audio books, among other things, and works as a therapist for children with reading and writing difficulties.

Regina Kehn studied Communication Design and has illustrated many picture books and books for children. One of her first children's book illustrations have been for Michael Ende's "The School of Magic".

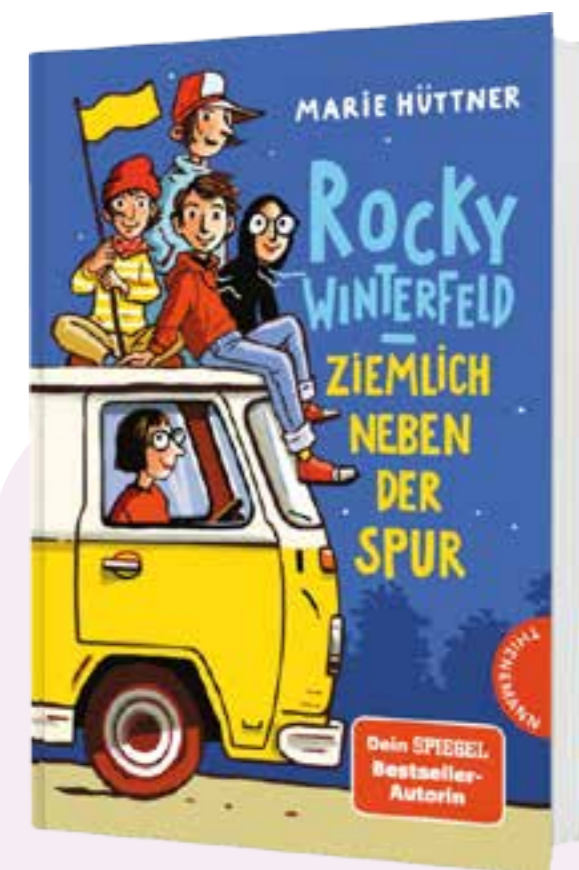
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Franziska Hörner was born in Düsseldorf in 1993. After studying English and biology, she became an elephant researcher (yes, really) and travels to numerous African countries for her work. She also writes stories for teenagers and young adults, which has always been her favorite genre. Her dream has always been to write a book that she herself would enjoy reading. She lives happily with her dog in a shared apartment.

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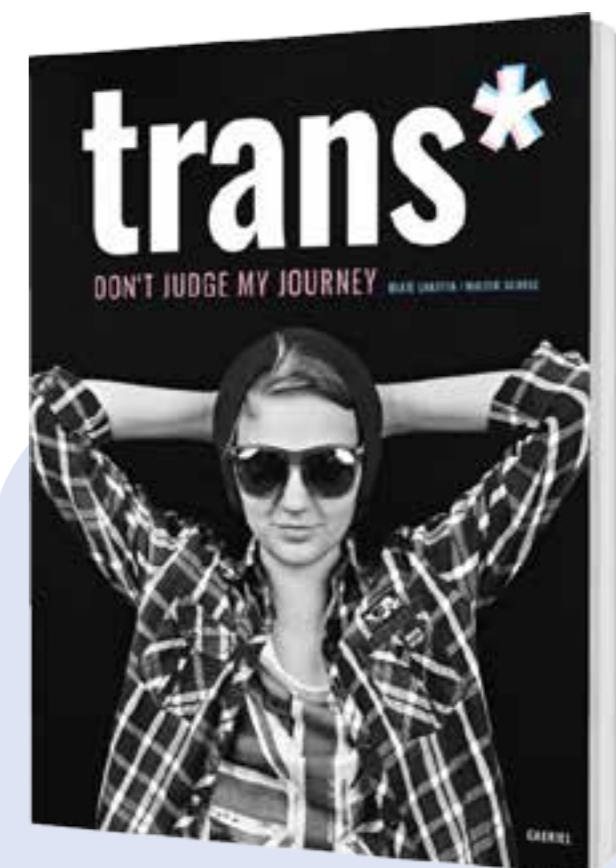
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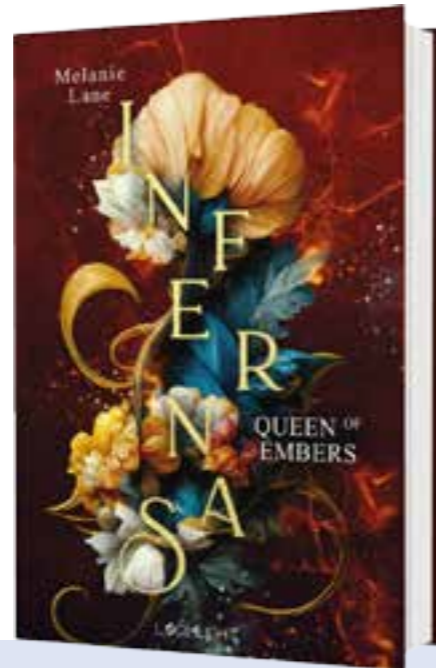


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Melanie Lane’s love of reading fantasy and romance has made writing her absolute passion. As a decided feminist, she lives and breathes issues such as equality and diversity, which is always reflected in her books. She loves sarcasm, the sea and is an absolute animal lover.

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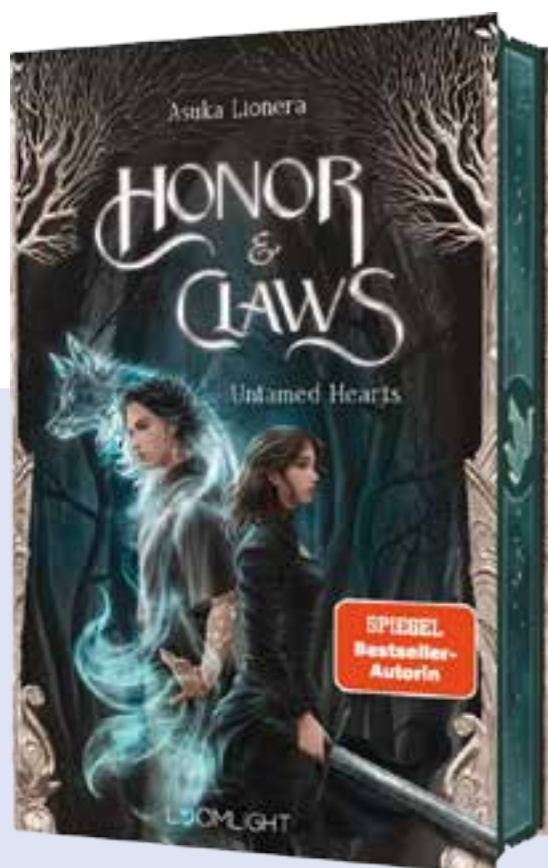


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Behind the pseudonym Asuka Lionera there is a dreamer, who was already fascinated by stories and comics as a child. As a teenager she started writing fan fictions for her favourite series and developing small RPG games for the PC to indulge her imagination. After a few detours she made her passion into her profession and today she is a successful author.

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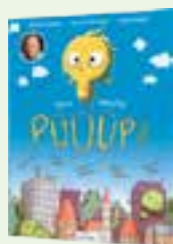
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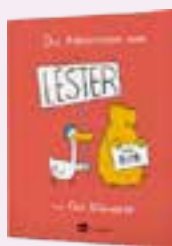


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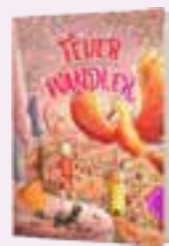
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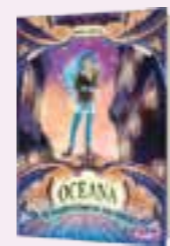
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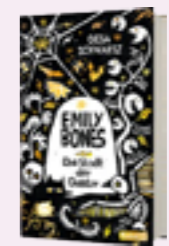
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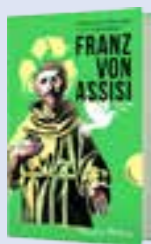


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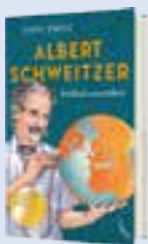


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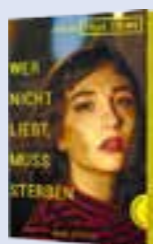
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