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# Klaus Baedekerl

Klaus Baedekerl has written two novels, various stories and many screen plays. He co-wrote a film script ("The Glass Cell") together with the director, which was later nominated for an Oscar. Baedekerl lives in Munich.



## The Last Favourite

A novel

"The Last Favourite" tells the bizarre story of an old man, whose daughter wants to incapacitate him. He tells his life story to his appraiser. How growing up in the 50s, he begins to search for pictures of naked women during his puberty and only finds nude paintings in the art volumes of his parents. Thereafter, it's the catalogue pages of ladies' underwear, then pictures of starlets in magazines, and finally the half-naked playmates in male adult magazines. And in the late 60s it's porn actresses, who satisfy the then mathematics student. He gets into a fight with his professor, because he used a computer to assist him in solving a problem. Instead of pursuing his doctorate, he starts a software company, and thus makes millions. At the end of his life, he realizes his dream through the assistance of virtual reality and artificial intelligence. And he meets the woman, whom his daughter tries to eliminate from his life.

*"At first glance, Baedekerl's text appears to be anything but contemporary. However, it is exactly that which transforms it into a topical comment on the ongoing debate about male story-telling."*  
Marvin Baudisch

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## Dirk Bernemann

Dirk Bernemann, born in 1975 in western Münsterland, is a writer and journalist. He is the author of numerous novels and short story collections, including the bestseller „Ich hab die Unschuld kotzen sehen“. His most recent novel „Schützenfest“ was published by Heyne Hardcore in 2021. Dirk Bernemann lives in Berlin.



### Kalk

A novel

Kalk (engl. "Lime"), in his mid-fifties and a hard-working employee in an electronics store, needs to get out. To escape the lethargy of everyday life, take a deep breath and unwind. Kalk seems to find relaxation in Kijkduin, the place in the Netherlands where he spent his vacations with his parents as a child. When he saves a child from drowning, his long-forgotten self-confidence awakens and the anti-hero becomes a hero. He surpasses himself, pushes his limits and reinvents himself. But Kalk quickly becomes lost in the wealth of possibilities that his enhanced ego brings with it, his new self slips away from him and he immediately threatens to lose everything. In the end, not only does his own past catch up with him, but he also incurs a debt that cannot simply be washed away with the next beer in the beach bar.

*A cynical social study and a Psychogram of the cornered old white man.*

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## Eldad Stobezki

Eldad Stobezki, born in Tel Aviv in 1951, has lived in Frankfurt am Main since 1979. He works as an editor, reviewer and translator as well as a cultural mediator. A graduate in literary studies, he is a renowned expert on Israeli literature.



## Non-Slip Bathmats and Kosher Mangos

Day in, day out, Eldad Stobezki explores the city, strolls through it with friends, listens to his radio driven by curiosity, scours the newspapers and watches the hustle and bustle in the streets from his balcony. In all of this, he comes across beautiful, curious, offensive and repulsive things. As an astute observer of current events in all their facets, he encourages us to go through life with more open eyes. His observations and everyday stories range from cheerful to cloudy but are usually infused with confidence and a very special sense of humor.

*The ideal read for all fans of David Sedaris, Lily Brett and Lizzie Doron.*

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