

Sugar Balire



Dear inclined, young, humor-seeking, curious readers,

I can hardly believe that we have managed to finish issue number 13 and to present you the issue hot off the press in October 2023. The biggest difficulty is always finding artists with a feminine touch who want to be on our cover. It is sometimes quite adventurous to put together a good issue with at least 16 pages within half a year if no one wants to cooperate. But luckily we can look back on years of experience in making press and with issue No.13 we probably made the best issue since our foundation in 2017. My big thanks go to Sarah Tse (cover image), Stilli (Distopia Cartoons, p.5), Smileglobetrotter (Smile News, p.7) and Katakaja (Poesie zum Schluss), who I could win for a cooperation. As always, you can find contact details in the imprint.

But now enough whispering. I hope you enjoy reading and find lots of inspiration for writing your own texts.

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BIMP

About the little things

"Delight in the little things" is said everywhere on advertising posters, postcards and websites, on home accessories and so on. I delight. I delight in mascara and cosmetic bags, pens and notebooks, postcards and earrings. But I also get annoyed by the little things. For example, when I forget to pack half of them in the morning. Breathing masks, disinfectant gel, sunglasses, sunscreen, makeup remover wipes, tablet cases, purses, keys, grocery bags...What's the point of enjoying them, please? You buy these things to use them and then you forget to pack them in time. That's not enjoyable at all. It's frustrating at best.

Who actually came up with this hollow slogan "Enjoy the little things?" This is clearly a marketing campaign for poor people who can't afford, or don't want, even a bed or a laptop. For them, it's supposed to be the little things. The things that you can already

get for one euro, and that are so small that you don't have to transport much. Or?

No! Originally, the creators of this truism meant something completely different. They meant the everyday early rising, the coffee in the morning, the first good morning from a nice colleague, the good evening and good night, the smile of a passerby at the traffic light, the warm lunch, the cozy bed and so on. Originally, "The Little Things" were the small attentions, the friendly togetherness, the inner happiness.

But now that's all gone. Now we store for these things in the hope that they will make us happy, and in the process we destroy the environment, torture animals and are just frustrated.

"Forget the little things" would be a realistic response. Forget about external happiness. Forget about the everyday moments. Really stumble upon the people who

never had this luxury problem and realize how hollow and superficial

we have become.

Event check

Star hour in the Zeiss Planetarium

At first we thought we were looking through a huge telescope through the cloud cover to the stars, but then everything turned out quite differently.

Comfortably we took a seat on the far right in the cinema seats, which was not exactly advantageous, since the sun was in fact setting behind our back and we could therefore not see it.

In the Star Hour in the Zeiss Large Planetarium, you can hear stories that have happened in our immediate vicinity. We learn about the constellations, about the neighboring galaxy Andromeda, and how

long we could still live on this globe.

We look at all the glory of the starry sky at night and that here, in the middle of the strongly illuminated metropolis of Berlin.

The lecturer is a funny guy and fills his lecture with a little anecdote or two.

So if you always wanted to learn more about the sky over Berlin, which planets and star constellations are directly above us, this is the right place. Starry Hour at the Zeiss Large Planetarium takes place several times a month. There is also reduced admission. Suitable for ages 10 and up.

DISTOPIA cartoons



DIY tips and tricks from outsiders

Cute dragon from Fimo

They are now everywhere, on etsy, Tedoo and Instagram, the cute dragons made of plasticine with the beautiful decorations and the bright eyes.

It looks so easy, so let's give it a try.

We think of four cute funny dragon figures and go out to get the plasticine. Since Fimo is the only plasticine that can be hardened in the oven, is available in all imaginable colors and is not expensive, we decide on grass green and stone look.

From the green part we form a head and a body. From the stone optics part an egg.

Then we organize glitter eyes, which are usually used for dolls. And stuff them into the head. The body has no wings, but the thing is just hatched anyway and immediately falls out of the egg on the snout.

Of course, the glitter eyes burst when going into the oven, apparently the dough hardens enough without dem. Our egg does not look round it is more like a cylinder.



We watch the video again and see that they first prepare many individual parts, such as arms and wings, and then put everything together. They also apply a kind of protective coating to the glass eyes, which they then scratch off afterwards.

All in all: Looks like shit!

HAIRDRESSER FORGETS WORD GAME AND IS THROWN OUT OF THE GUILD

A newly opened hair salon in Berlin Köpenick has already had to close its doors again. Despite tearful protestations on the part of the owner Hairmine S. that it was an oversight, the guild remains strict.

The obvious omission to have made of the "Herzblut" no "Hairzblut" could not remain undiscovered of course for a long time. The implications of such a violation of the rules of the statutes of the hairdressers association "comb together" are not yet fully foreseeable.

In addition to a hefty fine, Ms. Schneider will once again have to prove herself to the Admissions Office for hairy matters.

She will get a refresher course with

repetition of the most important basic rules for styling insane innuendos. She will also have to attend regular meetings of a self-help group for stylistic offenders. Together with professional language coaches, an expert opinion will then be drawn up on whether she is psychologically capable of being reintegrated into an interface with her previous exposure.

"Of course, such a fatal mistake must not happen again. After all, the customers of the salon in question may already have suffered permanent damage. Apart from the fact that the confidence in the creativity of our guild was considerably affected. We hope there will be no hair-raising complaints and will introduce even stricter checks in the future." , assured a spokesman for the Hair Chamber.

Whether this is just splitting hairs remains to be seen.

Author: [SmileGlobetrotter](#)

(Attention! This is satire, it should make you smile and not get upset).

Friseur vergisst Wortspiel und wird aus der Innung geworfen



CARICATURE



Interview with Theo

He was an extra in 'V for Vendetta', next to Nathalie Portman, he is a project builder, without him the new subway stations 'Unter den Linden' and 'Museumsinsel' would not exist, he is a passionate fisherman in his spare time, today in the interview @theojoinfishing

Sugar: How do you become an extra for such a Hollywood classic?

Theo: That was a coincidence, an acquaintance had registered there herself and was prevented by work, so she asked me if I wanted to go instead, I just thought okay, something new, I'll give it a try. However, I was only allowed to play a jailbird, who was also not treated very nicely, I think I'll never do that again.

Sugar: Still really cool. But otherwise, what about the highlights in your life? What were moments of fate?

Theo: Probably the most beautiful moment in my life was never what I achieved, or where I became successful, maybe even a little famous, the most beautiful moment was the birth of my son. He is now in the middle of puberty, but I adore him.

Sugar: It brings tears to my eyes. What else is life like between work and play. Where can people meet you?

Theo: On weekends, I'm usually somewhere on the water, mostly fishing on the Havel. Otherwise, I have a pretty tightly scheduled, almost stressful work schedule. As a project builder, especially for BVG, I have to be very flexible, but the good thing is that you get a lot of thanks. Without us, many subway stations wouldn't have been completed so quickly or would look completely different.

Sugar: Great, thank you so much, we look forward to seeing you again.

CRITICS

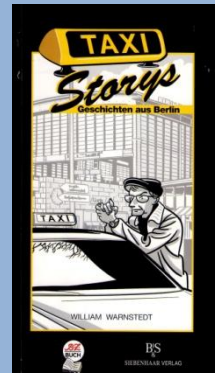
In the Sugar we had already suggested comics, non-fiction and novels on GDR Flight and Berlin Stories. This time a few more books with the theme: **Berlin Legends**. A collection of old and new books that we would like to recommend to all Berlin fans.

Title: Taxi Stories-Stories from Berlin

Author: William Warnstedt

Publisher: B&S Siebenhaar Verlag Berlin

This little booklet was not easy to find. William Warnstedt drove a cab in Berlin for a long time and took notes during the rides. The result is a funny, colorful, exciting collection of fragments that would almost make a super short story collection or a Berlin novel in the style of "Die Stadt die Lichter" (by Clemens Meyer). His style is that of a quiet observer without judgments, his characters all prominent the moment they sit in the cab until their paths part and often meet again a little time later. Dramatic in places and sometimes something to smile about. Berlin lovers will find here a wonderful essence of what makes Berlin's soul.

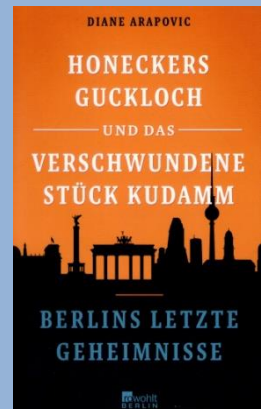


Title: Honeckers peephole and the missing piece of Kudamm- Berlins last secrets

Author: Diane Arapovic

Publisher: Rowohlt Berlin

Anyone who deals with Berlin legends can't get past Diane Arapovic these days. Like no other, she goes on research and pulls the reader into a world full of archives, in which, for example, it is clarified why the Ku'Damm begins only at number 10. The title story is

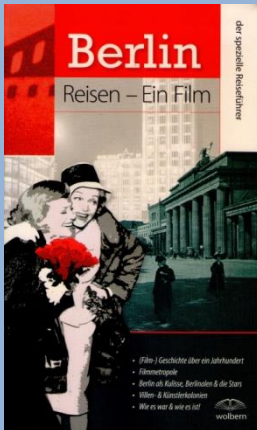


probably the most detailed and longest in the book, but every sentence is worthwhile. Without much fiction, but with exciting guesswork, the author leads us step by step to the answers to the riddles of this metropolis. If you don't feel like going on a research tour yourself, you absolutely have to organize this masterpiece, Berlin's history is written here.

Title: Berlin Reisen-Ein Film (The Special Travel Guide)

Authors: Michaela Schubert and Wolfgang Bernschein

Publisher: Wolbern



Of all the Berlin travel guides that have a lot to say about the Berlin Wall or the numerous museums, this one is a refreshing change. Not at all silly or cute, but very well researched and informative, peppered with pictures and quotes, Berlin Reisen- Ein Film (somewhat unfortunate title) tells about the filming locations in Berlin, about German actors, about addresses and all that from the beginning. If you have always

wanted to dive deeper into the history of the cinema metropolis of Berlin and not just hear the most famous stories, this book is warmly recommended.

Title: Legends from Berlin

Authors: Erik Gloßmann and Christa Unzner

Publisher: emons:

Legends are related to fairy tales. As already recognizable in the word, these are stories that the common people, who often could not read and write, told themselves in order to be able to explain strange events. Thus we learn in 'Legends from Berlin' of a princess who was built into a well or of a wealthy daughter who became a mermaid. And all that here in Berlin hun-



dreds of years ago. Some of the memorials and buildings we're talking about are still standing. The authors have created a small read-aloud and picture book, which is in no way inferior to its predecessors. Some legends may already be known to one or the other, here they are simply retold and sometimes the one or the other explanation can be found in the facts in the box, which did not exist before.

Title: Spirou in Berlin

Author/Graphic Designer: Flix

Publisher: Carlsen Comics (review copy)

A few years ago, our darling Flix came up with yet another scorcher. This time, he took on the famous Spirou and whipped out a typical, very beautifully drawn adventure in Berlin of the GDR era. As usual for Spirou comics, the willing reader is immediately drawn into a highly exciting adventure. Well suited for people who find a feature film too long and a real adventure too expensive. Flix's version of Spirou and Fantasio in Berlin is an excellent revival of Legends in Comics and Legends in Berlin. Again, of course, with a surprise ending. Highly recommended.



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PSYCHO test

Are you a real fashionista?

- 1. You have to go to the supermarket, you forgot the milk, what are you going to wear?**
 - a) I'm not going to change my clothes, I'm going in my house clothes, of course. (1)
 - b) I'll put on what I was wearing this morning. (3)
 - c) I'm keeping the sweatpants on and pairing them with a dressy jacket and some new sneakers. (5)
- 2. If you had to describe your style, which three attributes are more applicable?**
 - a) Sporty, androgynous, adventurous (5)
 - b) Elegant, romantic, sexy (3)
 - c) Classic, casual, office (1)
- 3. You get a coupon for H&M, what do you buy?**
 - a) Something that can be washed in the machine and does not break down so quickly.(1)
 - b) One or more pieces that I don't know yet when I'll wear.(5)
 - c) A coat that is good for autumn.(3)
- 4. Your mom is cleaning out her closet, what's your reaction?**
 - a) I pick out one or the other part, and continue to use it. (5)
 - b) I help her put things back into circulation. (3)
 - c) I am happy for her that she finally dared to take this step. (1)
- 5. It's Fashion Week in Berlin, are you going?**
 - a) No, there are too many people on the road for me.(1)
 - b) No, but I follow the events on all channels.(3)
 - c) Uh, sure, another question?(5)

6. The new season of GNTM is on, are you watching all the episodes?

- a) I've been watching from day one, all the episodes, huh. (3)
- b) No, I was never interested in that. (1)
- c) I don't just look at them, I apply, what up! (5)

What did you want

I have done three apprenticeships. Back in the GDR, I was trained as a saleswoman for sausage and meat products. Those were the usual apprenticeships at the time. After that, I went to Rostock to work in a ship's restaurant. There I retrained in the catering service. Being allowed to work by the sea was fantastic. I really enjoyed the five years I spent there. I would have loved to stay there. But my family obligations brought me back to Berlin. Among other things, I helped my husband get his debts under control. This had the effect that I had to learn a lot about bureaucracy and offices in the new FRG. But I already had a daughter and had to maneuver us out of it. My husband was unfortunately addicted to gambling. Many people who had lost their

jobs and were traumatized by the GDR became addicted to gambling.

So I did another retraining, this time something completely different: office administrator. At the time, this was a course that was financed by the job center if you couldn't find work in your old profession.

Three internships were scheduled during the retraining. In law firms, for example. Yes, and when I found a law firm that immediately wanted to keep me on, I stayed there for the time being. Until today. Here I have the honorable task of supporting people with mental disabilities in housing matters, finances and government offices. Often these people have fallen into debt and can no longer

manage on their own due to their illness.

I am very grateful for this task. The working hours are short, the colleagues are very nice and dedicated.

I think I'll do that until the end. Everything will be fine. And if it's not good, it's not the end.

Mrs. Dierße (name changed by the editors)

Resolution psycho test:

Add up the dots behind your answers and be surprised.

6-9 points

Nerdy

You have zero interest in fashion. You've been told many times that you don't know how to dress. Your qualities lie more in the field of environmental protection and technology.

10-18 points

Nice

You have a rough idea of what's hot right now, but then your fashion expertise stops. You would like to do more in the direction of styling, but you lack the desire and the means.

19-30 points

Real fashionista

You know how fashion works. You can express yourself well through your style and never miss an opportunity to show it. If it brings you joy, go ahead and become a real role model!

SoftPorn

Title: The sex donation

She is in a wheelchair. Paraplegia. A house has taken her in. They ask her every day: What do you wish for? She has been saying for five years: I want nothing, nothing at all, except: Sex.

So they wait until they find an idiot who will fuck them without fear of going to jail as a rapist.

It is someone whose ex-wife was also in a wheelchair after an accident, then eventually died of cancer.

So he was already used to the most unerotic love you can ever have.

And now there was this 18 year old, with her dark hair and big nose, drooling: I want sex. Immediately. Then she pointed at her guest and added: With that one.

He could do nothing but show her the prick over her mouth and after she was sufficiently wet, he began to push the semi-erect member through the narrow entrance of her paralyzed legs.

She sat there quietly the whole time. Only when she came, she moaned briefly.

Having become greedy, this went on for six months. Until she felt like going for a drive again.

Poetry at the end

Gratitude from Katakaja

Who does not give thanks
Who does not steer
Because gratitude key to the covered
If situation broken then not so well licked
With the second by hour by month by year it will succeed
And then no wrestling
But let and grasp
Would there be if then is if the if and if Gelenn
Meanwhile assign grades and cry
But no
Because grades are knotted copies of the wrong grading
Change is not only thanks and please
But deep understanding and reason of the reasons

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