

The new major novel by the winner of the Georg Büchner Prize



Terézia Mora
On the Rope
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Terézia Mora, born in 1971 in Sopron, Hungary, has lived in Berlin since 1990. For her stories and novels she was awarded numerous prizes, among others the Ingeborg Bachmann Prize, the Kunstpreis Berlin, the Preis der Leipziger Buchmesse, the Deutsche Buchpreis and, in 2018, the Georg Büchner Prize. Her books have been translated into 20 languages. Moreover, Terézia Mora is one of the most distinguished translators from Hungarian.

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Is life a never-ending balancing act? Darius Kopp is in danger of caving in under his misfortune. Three years have gone by since his wife Flora, his great love, died. The IT specialist has travelled through Europe with her ashes and finally ended up in Sicily.

One day, his 17-year-old niece unexpectedly turns up. The girl is alone and from then on doesn't leave his side. Lorelei needs his help – and he hers. He returns to Berlin with her. And learns to measure his happiness by what he can change of his own will – and what he can't.

"In her novels and stories, Terézia Mora zooms in on misfits and the down-and-outs, precarious existences and people searching for something, and in the process she painfully hits the nerve of our day." *Excerpt from the decision of the jury on awarding the Georg Büchner Prize*

Press

"One of the most subtle, unusual and fearless voices in German literature." *FAZ*

"Terézia Mora has a talent for creating unique characters, and she is an expert for liminal spaces, for identities beyond all allocations" *Süddeutsche Zeitung*

"The great art of Terézia Mora is to tell of her figures' irritations and doubts with empathy and benevolently ironic

distance." *SWR2, Buch der Woche*