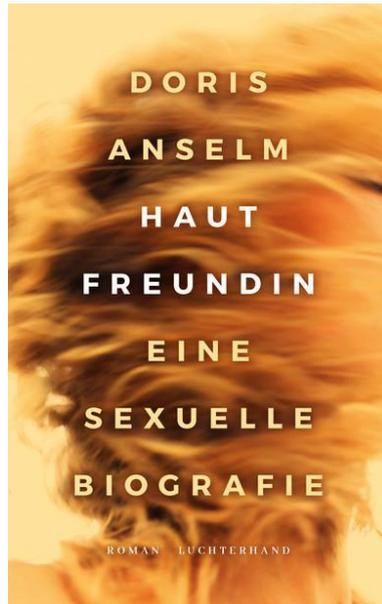


The surprisingly happy sexual biography of a free woman



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Doris Anselm, born in 1981, studied cultural sciences, trained as a journalist and worked as a radio reporter in Berlin. Her prose and poetry have been published in anthologies and magazines. She won the Berlin open mike competition in 2014.

Do dirty words still exist? Is the tip of the tongue of a man with a beautiful voice also beautiful? Is it possible to be too tender if you are only having an affair?

She is a woman who likes sex and strange questions, her own skin and the skin of very different men – the direct touch just as much as a salto into the fantastic. She prefers to flirt while out and about rather than online because she loves the slight feeling of intoxication that comes with the first step. Her view of sex is both sensuous and offbeat, precise and gentle. The men she comes close to affect her. But what exactly does she herself go for? And how did it all begin?

Gradually the stories of her skin-to-skin encounters become one story: the surprisingly happy sexual biography of a free woman – told so sensuously that the language itself catches fire.

For readers of A.L. Kennedy, Marguerite Duras, Siri Hustvedt, Margarete Stokowski and Charlotte Roche.

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