Christa Ludwig

A Sheaf of Plantain

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A real present for all those loving Else Lasker-Schüler.

She wanted to travel to Palestine again. For a short time. It’s wartime now, and Else Lasker-Schüler is stuck in Jerusalem between Jews, Arabs and Britons, bomb attacks and horrifying news. Wants to make peace, urgently. But to do so, she needs a man for a love poem. – With subtle instruments, Christa Ludwig creates an intensive portrayal of the poet in the last years of her life.

• An extraordinary novel which sensitively catches the poet’s character, her language and her last love in Jerusalem.
• A story between love, charity, tolerance and hate.
• Detailed, sensually, sensitive and smartly written.

“Her publications are sensitive and insistent, they are educating and full of inner sympathies for human and nature.” – About the concession of the Eichendorff literature award in 2019, granted to Christa Ludwig.

“An impressive and highly artistic portrayal of a headstrong poet who radically united poetry and life.”

BÜCHERmagazin about Christa Ludwig’s novel “A Sheaf of Plantain” about Else Lasker-Schüler

Christa Ludwig, born in 1949 in Wolfhagen near Kassel, studied German and English language and literature. She has written books for children and young people. She has been working with Else Lasker-Schüler for almost twenty years. For her novel project, she received a scholarship from the Förderkreis deutscher Schriftsteller and a travel grant for research in Jerusalem from the Verband deutscher Schriftsteller.