



F.W. Bernstein

Fresh Poems

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“Unlike his colleague Robert Gernhardt – with whom he shares the dual talent of drawing and text – Bernstein has not mellowed with age but become altogether more radical.” Manfred Papst, NZZ am Sonntag (weekend edition of the Zurich newspaper)

Fans of F.W. Bernstein have been waiting a while for his Fresh Poems and, once again: Listen, you wretched of the earth / Listen to poems, read!

F.W. Bernstein’s poems are a great way to start the day:

Good Morning!

Seven-thirty, glow of morning,
The cold night is done.
I’m still alive and yawning,
A new day has begun.

An hour in bath robe dreamily,
Munching chocolate, guiltily?
The heating glugs contentedly,
Strip off and bathe blissfully.

This master of comic art has a distinctive, intoxicating sound – whether he’s singing of Angela Merkel taking office, princes turning into frogs, mole crickets, global stock exchanges in free fall, chasing rabbits across the yard, searching for the meaning of life or writing crime fiction in 14 lines. And this poetic and witty “late work” is even better than we’d hoped.

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F.W. Bernstein was (along with Robert Gernhardt, F.K. Waechter and Eckhard Henscheid) a member of the legendary New Frankfurt School. He worked for Pardon and Titanic and was professor of caricature and visual history at the University of the Arts, Berlin. Bernstein, alias Fritz Weigle, was born in 1938. His work has been recognized in literary and cultural awards. He lives with his family in Berlin.