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on the author

with an acute eye for modern life and a unique structural depth, Crauss' poetry manages to re-create in the best sense of the word: Crauss captures [...] dynamics in such a manner as to show not only the flip-side of a well-worn coin, his poetry lets us imagine the possibility that coin may have a third side. [...] Crauss' poetry modulates with ease between humor and delicacy, between irony and tenderness, intimacy and proclamation. [...] Crauss' readings blur the lines between poetic performance and performing poetics, and in this, Crauss has been and continues to be one of the most influential contemporary German-language poets. » Jo Frank, editor, 2016

Crauss is one of the stars of the cologne literature scene. » press-info berlinverlag, mai 2007

Crauss is one of the real stars of the young german literature scene. » Gregor Dotzauer, tagesspiegel 23.04.2007

Crauss' texts aim to more than a mood or an atmosphere and entertain with a very own wit of language without requiring doubtful sprains of the brains. "alles über Ruth/ all about Ruth" is about relations of people, partnership, taken straight from life and inspected from the backside under the magnifying glass. wanton in every sense of meaning are poems like "Ellen im bad/ Ellen in the tub". this is Crauss' second book, and its most obviuous characteristic is a tremendous feeling for the sensual pleasure of language. "all about Ruth" also deals with something about "Ellen", "Ingrid" and "Queenie" and tells something of taverns, travelling, the river Rhine ... seriously recommendable! » Karolina Rakoczy, zeichen & wunder/ indication & miracle 12/04

texts which are able to transform video-clip-like aesthetics into literature: with short cuts, quick changes of language and puzzling repetitions.» G.Müller-Zimmermann, SZ 13.06.2001

Crauss surely is an author who turns such writing methods into something technically productive. Crauss is a voice imitator. » Peter Stirner, scheinschlag 1/ 2002

Crauss does not only recite, more closely the poet becomes his own instrument, intones, varys, repeats and increases into a sort of continuous loop, catches to sing on, generates a song out of his poems, a crime film melody or a drum'n'bass-performance. (Jan Sternberg, FAZ 20.12.1999)

by far more consciuous of language is Crauss, who has made a passion out of purposeful production of language rhythm disturbances. (Michael Braun, basler zeitung 21.12.2001)

they were called Crauss, Jan Wagner, Bjoern Kuhligk and Tom Schulz. they wore their fine suits and had tightened their ties... which appeared really great. (Joerg Magenau, FAZ 21.12.1999)

Crauss as one of few authors understands how to transfer conclusively multitracking and remix processes to literature. (Gerald Fiebig, zeitriss, gebrauchte musik/ time-tore, used music 2000)

Crauss' poetry has its own sound. classical topics become visible in everyday myths, fairy tales become present again. (Katie Holm-Peters, SZ 25.11.2002)

Crauss brings up an enormous lyric tension just on a field of new writing techniques. (Thomas Eder, steirischer herbst 1998)

his debut "Crausstrophobie" has been described by critics as one of the most remarkable books of the last two years. getting involved into Crauss' texts means reading fastidious poetry. his pieces in a true sense become physically perceptible, for instance when he swears to the heart for as long and loud, that one can feel the pounding of the beat in one's own chest. what remains of this evening is a memory of the beauty of the word! (Frank Fladerer, lausitzer rundschau 28.03.2003)

"und du trugst das/ if you wear that" is an erotic poem, whose lines we can smell and taste. as long as such poems are written, I do not fear. I hope. it is a courageous poem, because it trusts its strength. (Hans van Ooyen, laudatio to the lyrik 2000 S-award, May 2003)

"Crausstrophobie" is of a high musicality which literally gives the key note to a new tone in german poetry. polyphony and hybridity of voices open new manners of speaking and new linguistic areas to this poetry: sketches of an own, independent world, which consists of precise observation. Their attraction is based particularly on the ease, which rises from their ongoing rhythm. (maerkische conference of culture 2003)

his new writings not as strongly as so far set on opulente, context establishing sound effects, they have become 'slimmer' somehow, which does not mean by any means more simple. the typical the refraction of tendency, which leads into unexpected precipices, into the grotesque or also into the uninhibited romantic, appears in the newer poems, too. (G. Müller-Zimmermann, SZ 19.03.2004)

Crauss' "blumen-/flower-"pieces have somewhat rampantly growing, "not only poppy, but poppy, too... this is the time": may this be a reminiscence to Celan. it is musical as Celan was at that time, but differently, more easily perhaps and also more aggressively; Crauss makes music not carried, not lento, but con fuoco.

I believe myself to remind that it was Peter v. Matt in whose writings I learned about the distinction of the two traditions of german poetry: the one, solemnly 'priestly' branch going back on Hoelderlin, the other, more impudently and refractory going back on Heine. Crauss has much of Heine: easy, impudent, ordering not respect but rather being despective and antiauthoritarianly. his language is playful, he has nothing to preach. if expressed through means of the tradition of the european opera composition, then one could perhaps say: certainly not Wagner, rather Offenbach. that for a Karl Kraus reader like me is anyhow a clearer recommendation than the memory of Heine.

I surely do not want to disregard: "the both doors of the world stand open". the lyric I and you seems to refuse a 'sexual identity' to me. perhaps also in this 'the two doors of the world stand open". thus the poems do gain somewhat utopian regarding the existing sex/gender-conditions in this society. whether one may back-close on the author, however, I do not know. the fact that he does not have a first name which indicates the sex for us, at least refers to not only opening petrified conditions, but also to a strong will to open them. (Dr. Matthias Fallenstein, august 2004)