

AI: Luisa from the Countryside

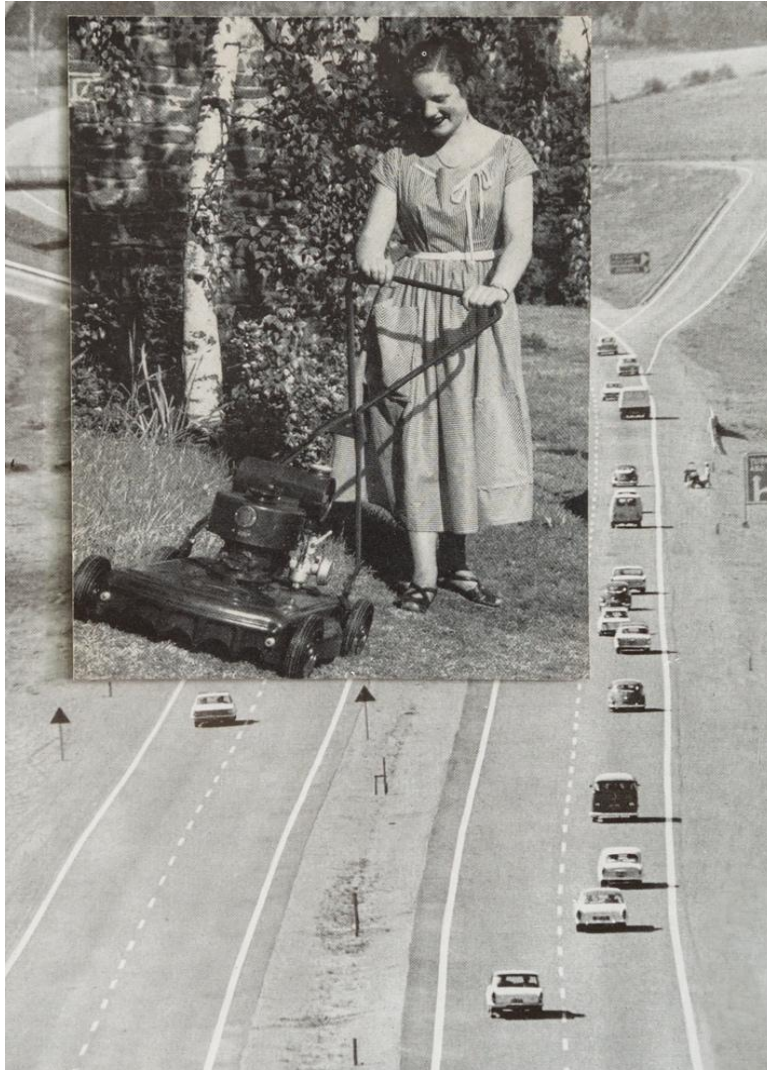


Illustration: Katja Berger: Easy Game

Luisa had always been fascinated by the idea of mobility. Growing up in a small town in the countryside, she had always dreamed of travelling and experiencing the world beyond her hometown. So, when she graduated from college, she decided to move to the city and start a new life, bringing her beloved dog along with her.

It was the year 2050, and the world had changed a lot since Luisa was a child. Transportation had become much more advanced, with flying cars and high-speed trains connecting cities and countries around the world. But the most significant change was that there were no more privately-owned cars on the road. Instead, all forms of transportation were provided by the government as a service to its citizens, free of charge.

For Luisa, this was a game-changer. As a visually impaired person, she had always struggled to get around on her own and had relied on expensive taxi rides or the kindness of friends and family to get from one place to another. But now, with the wide range of public transportation options available to her, she was able to easily and independently get wherever she needed to go.

Before each trip, Luisa would consult with her personal AI assistant, which would help her choose the most efficient and environmentally friendly form of transportation based on her destination and the time of day. The AI would consider factors such as energy consumption, traffic patterns, and the availability of public transportation, and recommend the best option for Luisa. She could take a flying car to work, which would automatically adjust its flight path to avoid any obstacles in her way. She could hop on a train that had special compartments designed for people with disabilities, complete with audio announcements and braille signage. She could even take a self-driving electric car to the grocery store or the movies, which would safely guide her to her destination while minimising her carbon footprint. The possibilities were endless, and all she had to do was tap her government-issued transport card and she was on her way.

One day, as Luisa was travelling on the train with her dog, she accidentally let go of his leash, and he ran off into the crowded station. Panicked, Luisa called out for her dog, but it was no use. She was unable to see where he had gone, and the noise of the trains and the crowds made it impossible to hear him.

Just when she was about to give up hope, Luisa received a notification on her smartphone. It was an alert from her AI assistant, telling her that her dog had been spotted on one of the security cameras. The AI had used its advanced facial recognition capabilities to identify the dog and track his movements and was now providing Luisa with real-time updates on his location.

With the help of her AI assistant and the other commuters, who had seen the alert and were now helping to search for the dog, Luisa was able to find her beloved companion and reunite with him. She was overwhelmed with gratitude and relief and knew that she couldn't have done it without the help of the advanced technology and the kindness of the people around her.

For Luisa, mobility was not just about getting from one place to another. It was about the freedom to explore and experience new things, and the connections she made with others along the way. And as she continued to travel and discover the world around her, she knew that she had made the right decision to move to the city and embrace the future.

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This story was generated by ChatGPT by OpenAI in January 2023 with the following inputs and request for variations by the editor Martin Giesswein:

- 1) Please write a short story about the main topic of mobility with a main character called Luisa, who experiences mobility in the Year 2050
- 2) Please add the idea that mobility is free, a service of the state
- 3) Please add the idea that Luisa is visually impaired
- 4) Pls add the idea that an AI helps her to choose the form of mobility based on criteria like minimal use of energy
- 5) Please add the element, that she has a dog, that she loses during transportation and finds again with the help of AI and the other commuters
- 6) Please focus on the idea, that there are no forms of individual travel, like individually owned cars anymore (Because I stated "focus", ChatGPT skipped the dog as part of the story)
- 7) Please include the story of the dog again (The result was the version you see above; I could have it in other languages as well)
- 8) Please find a headline for your story (This didn't meet the editors' expectations, but it was interesting to see the ChatGPT struggle)

ChatGPT: "In 2050, Luisa's Life is Transformed by the Wonders of Government-Provided Mobility"

Editor: That is too long

ChatGPT: "Luisa's Journey of Freedom and Exploration with the Help of Advanced Transportation in 2050"

Editor: Can you make it more personal?

ChatGPT: "Luisa's Personal Quest for Mobility and Adventure in a World of Flying Cars and High-Speed Trains"

Editor: Let's include the dog in the headline

ChatGPT: "Luisa's Dog Gets Lost and Found Again Thanks to Advanced Technology and a Community of Helpers"