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ROAMING

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Spring Break, 2009: Five days, three friends, and one big city.

Roaming marks a triumphant return to the graphic novel and deft foray into new adult fiction for Caldecott Medal-winning authors Jillian Tamaki (*Boundless*) and Mariko Tamaki (*Cold*).

Over the course of a much-anticipated trip to New York, an unexpected fling blossoms between casual acquaintances and throws a long-term friendship off-balance. Emotional tensions vibrate wildly against the resplendently illustrated backdrop of the city, capturing a spontaneous queer romance in all of its fledgling glory. Slick attention to the details of a bustling, intimidating metropolis are softened with a palette of muted pastels, as though seen through the eyes of first-time travelers. The awe, wonder, and occasional stumble along the way all come to life with stunning accuracy in this sumptuous softcover with gorgeous jacket.

Roaming is the third collaboration from the critically acclaimed team behind *Skim* and Governor General's Literary Award winner *This One Summer*. Moody, atmospheric, and teeming with life, the magic of this comics duo leaks through the pages with lush and exquisite pen work. The Tamakis' singular, elegant vision of an urban paradise slowly revealing its

imperfections to the tune of its visitors' rhythms is a masterpiece—a future classic for generations to come.

PRAISE FOR ROAMING

"I've never been a young Canadian tourist visiting New York for the first time in 2009, but *Roaming* made me feel like one. It's a beautiful, immersive slice-of-life, and Jillian Tamaki's artwork has never been more observant, inventive, and breathtakingly alive."—Adrian Tomine, *Shortcomings* and *The Loneliness of the Long-Distance Cartoonist*

"*Roaming* made me wanna be 17 all over again. Mobbing the streets of NYC with my angsty, goofy, dare-devil friends skateboarding at the cube on Astor Place and riding the Cyclone at Coney Island, screaming at the top of our lungs, feeling like nothing could ever stop us. The Tamakis give us NYC youth magic on a platter scuffed with glitter, make out sessions and tourist stops at Times Square. I wanted to read *Roaming* over and over again. It's a love letter to the greatest city in the world and all the beautiful tender queer kids running wild and free."

—Gabby Rivera, *Juliet Takes a Breath*

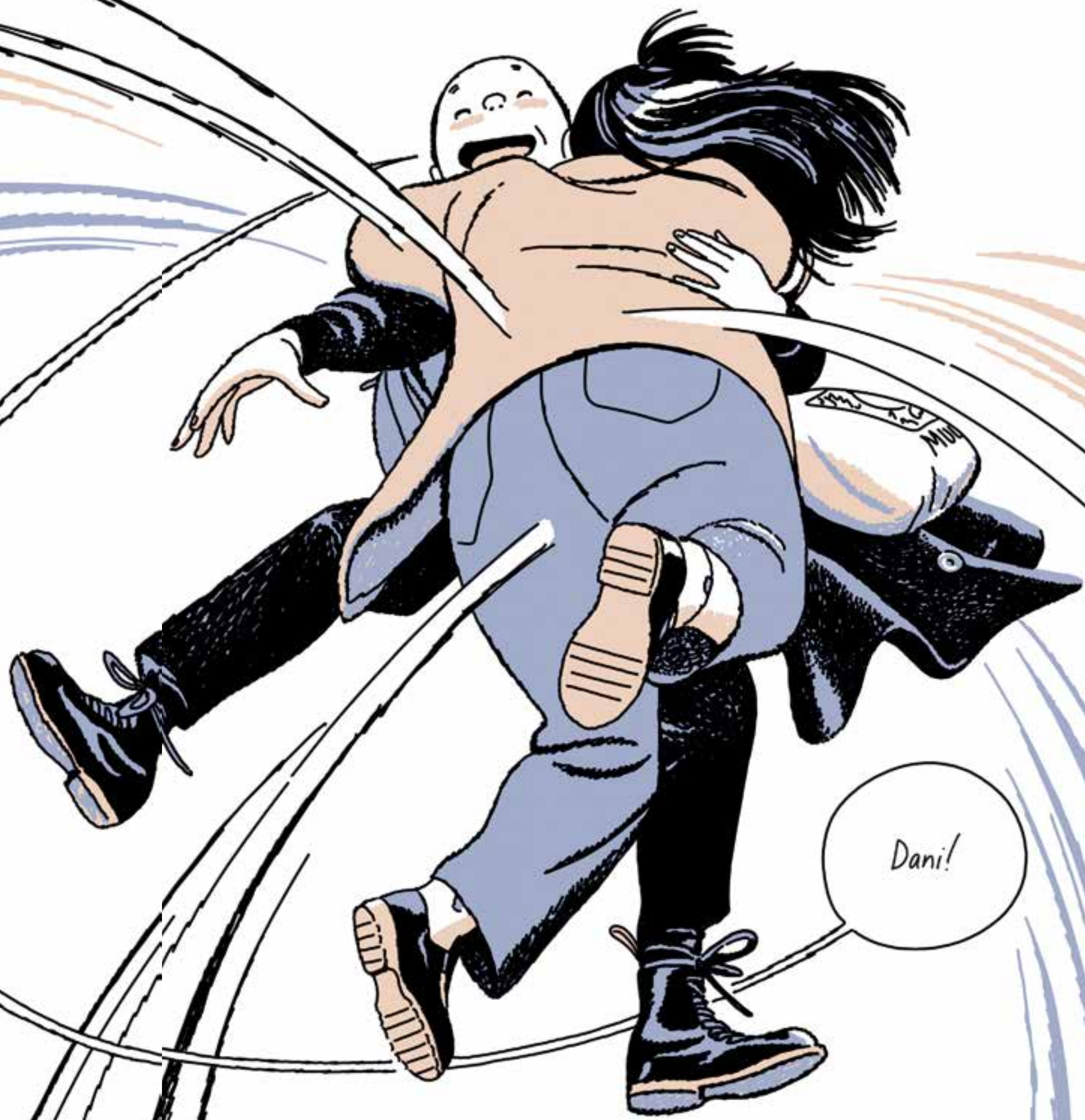
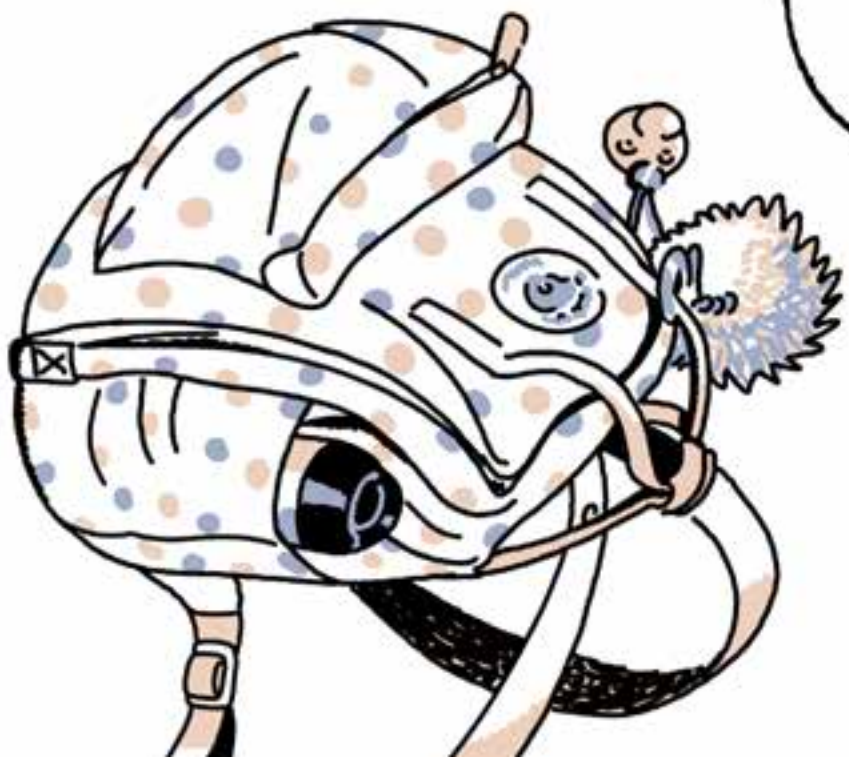
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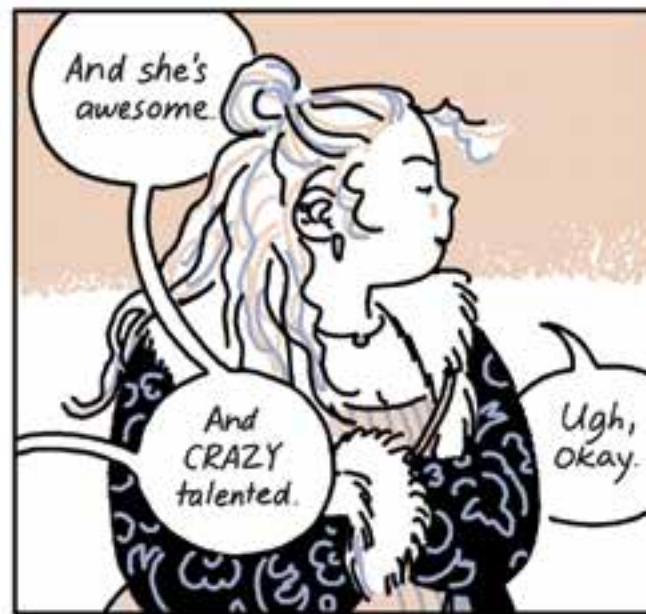
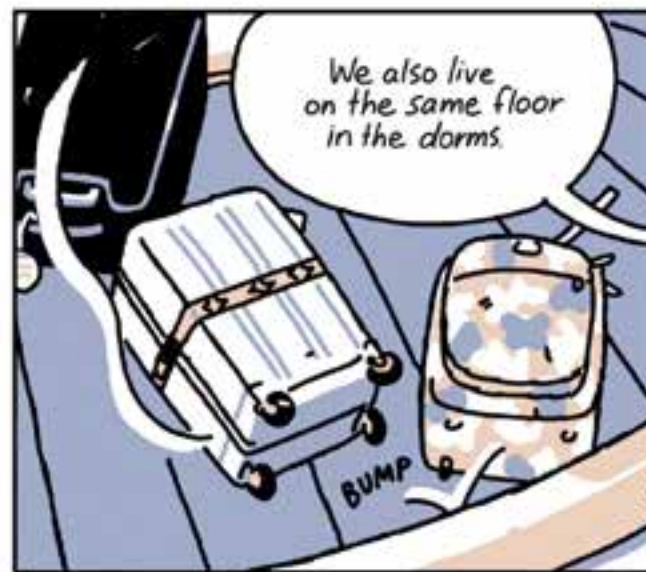


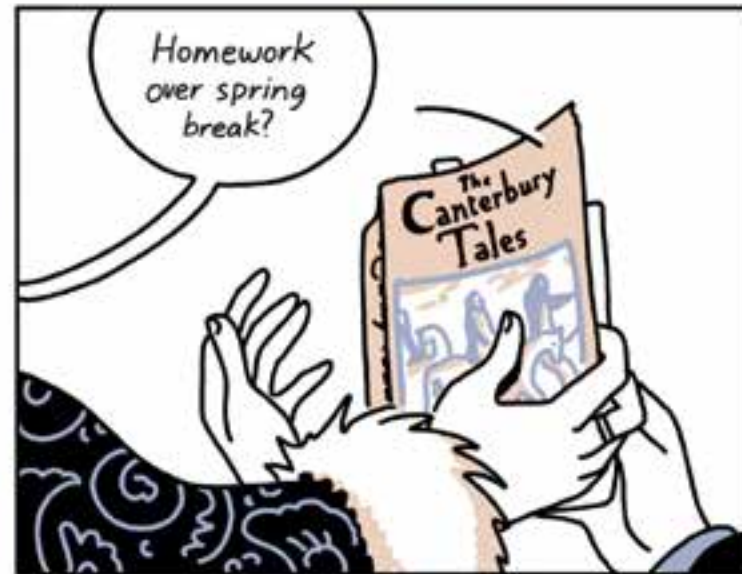
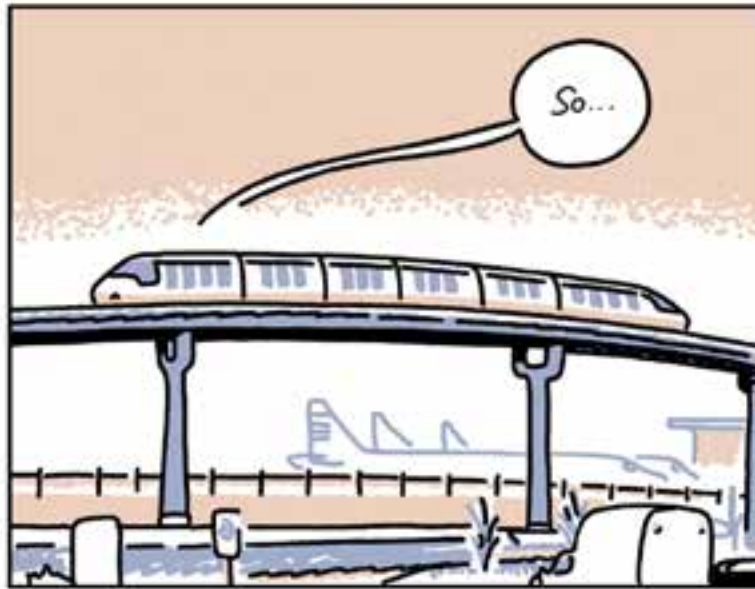
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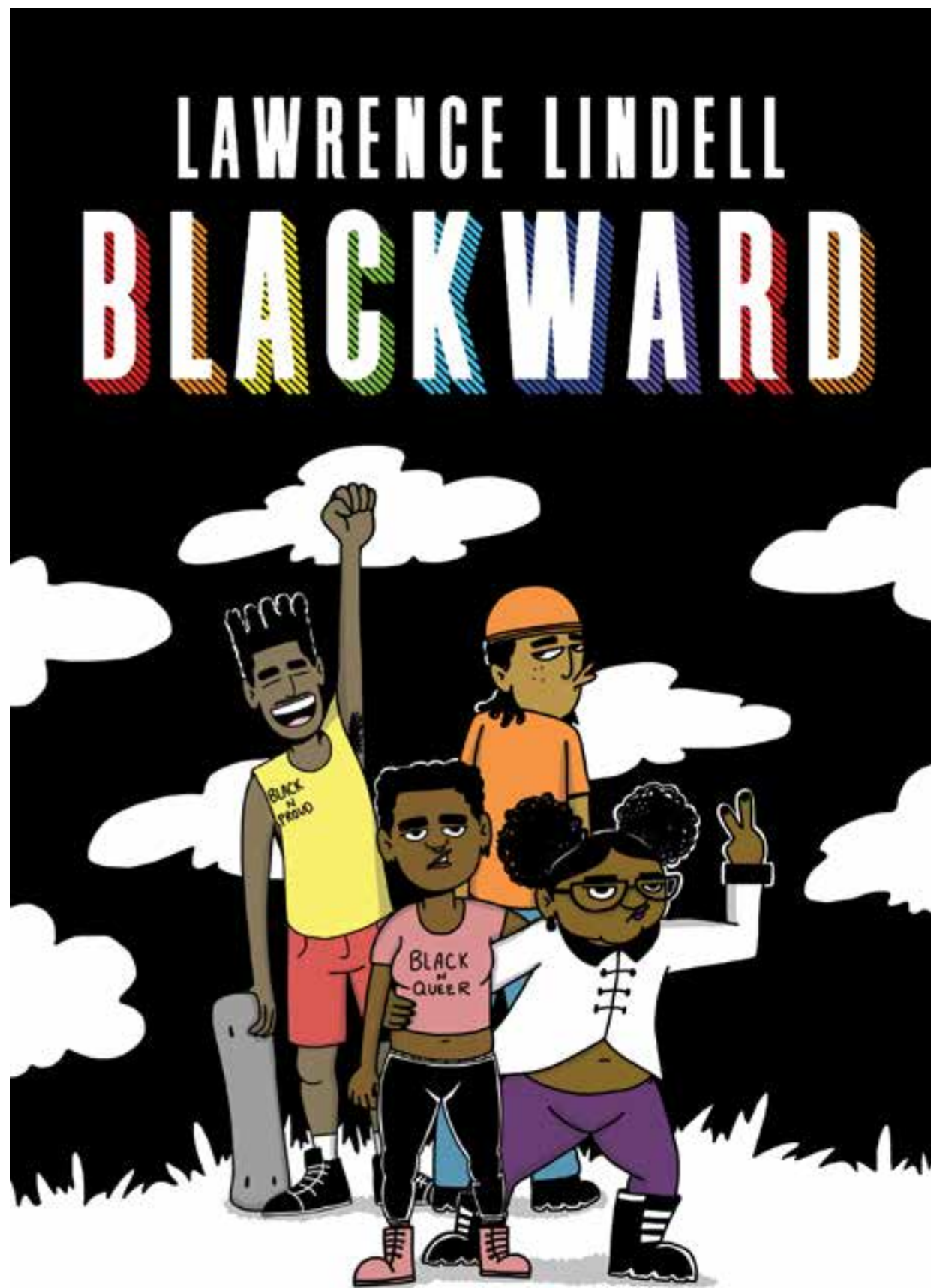




Jillian Tamaki is a cartoonist, illustrator, and educator raised in Calgary, Alberta. She is the author of the Eisner Award-winning graphic novels *SuperMutant Magic Academy* and *Boundless*, and the author-illustrator of two picture books, including most recently *Our Little Kitchen*. With her cousin Mariko Tamaki, she is the cocreator of the young adult graphic novels *SKIM* and *This One Summer*, which won a Governor General's Award and Caldecott Honor. She lives in Toronto, Ontario.



Mariko Tamaki is a Canadian writer living in California. She is the co-creator of the graphic novels *Skim* and *This One Summer* with Jillian Tamaki, and *Laura Dean Keeps Breaking Up with Me* with Rosemary Valero-O'Connell. She writes superhero comics for DC Comics, Darkhorse and Marvel. Mariko was the recipient of the Eisner for Best Writer in 2020. Collectively, her works have received Printz Honors, Eisner, Ignatz, Ringo and Prism awards. She is the curator of the Abrams LGBTQ imprint, Surely Books.



BLACKWARD

LAWRENCE LINDELL

Black, weird, awkward and proud of it. Welcome to the club!

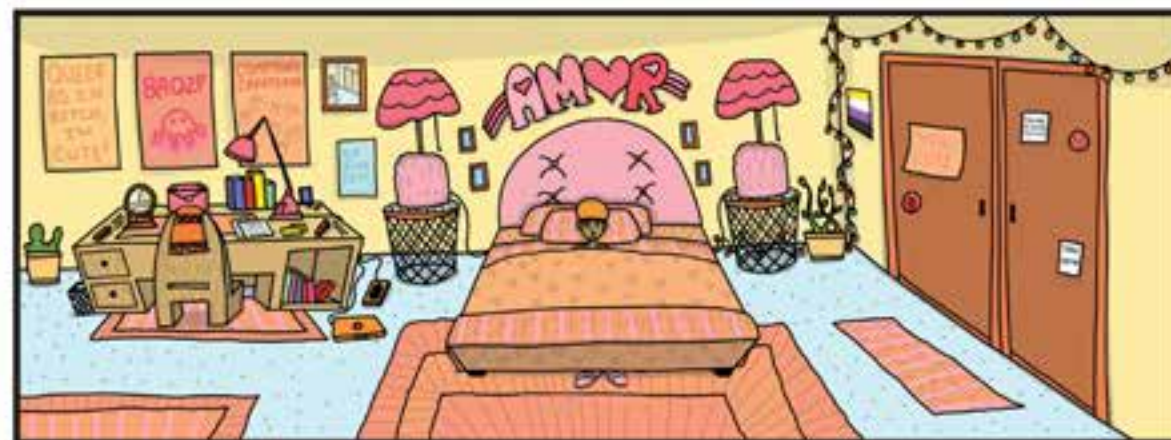
Tired of feeling like you don't belong? Join the club. It's called The Section. You'd think a spot to chill, chat, and find community would be much easier to come by for nerdy, queer punks. But when four long-time, bookish BFFs—Lika, Amor, Lala, and Tony—can't find what they need, they take matters into their own hands and create a space where they can be 100 percent who they are: Black, queer, and weird.

The group puts a call out for all awkward Black folks to come on down to the community center to connect. But low attendance and IRL run-ins with trolls of

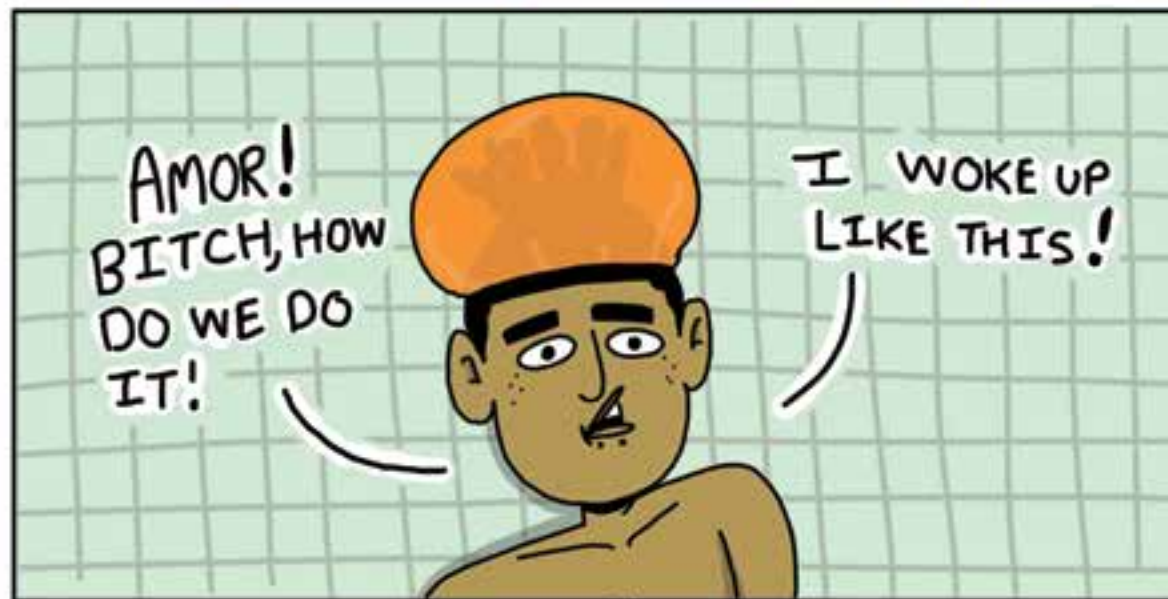
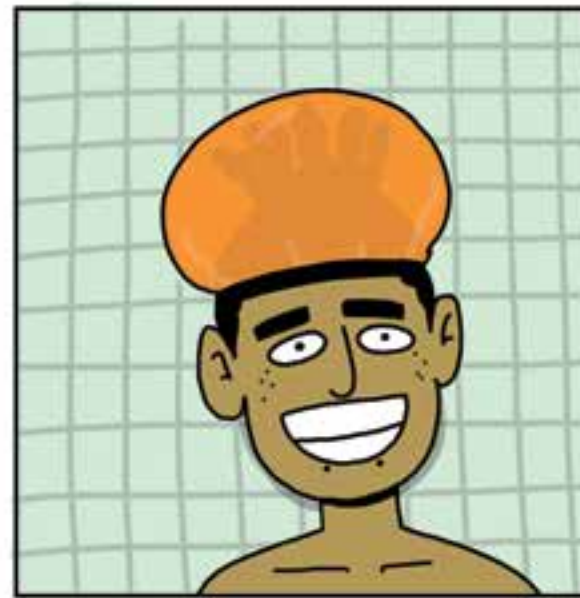
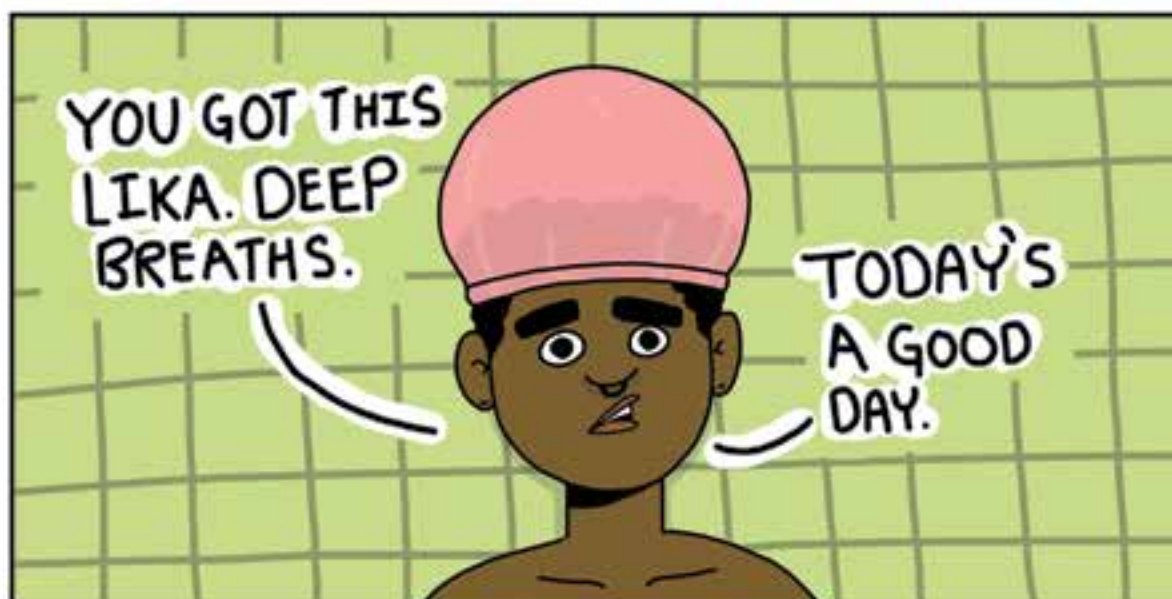
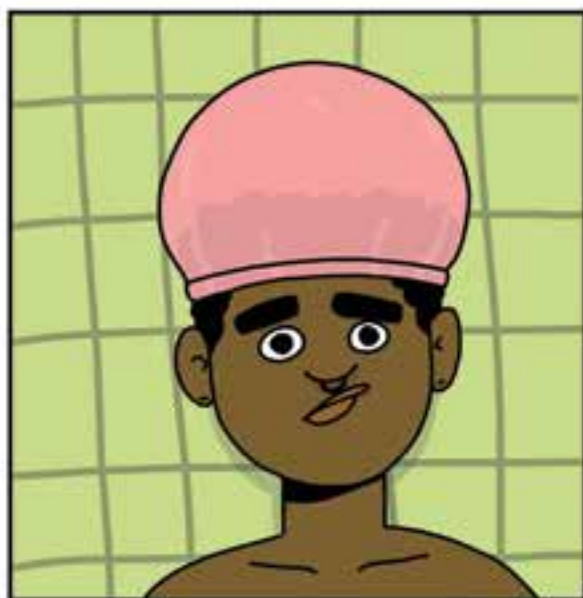
all kinds only rock everybody with anxiety. As our protagonists start to question the merits of their vision, a lifetime of insecurities—about not being good enough or Black enough—bubbles to the surface. Will they find a way to turn it all around in time for their radical brainchild, the Blackward Zine Fest?

Lawrence Lindell's characters pop from the page in playful technicolor. From mental health to romance, micro—and macro—aggressions to joy, our crew tackles everything life throws at them in this heartwarming tale about building a place to belong and the power of community.

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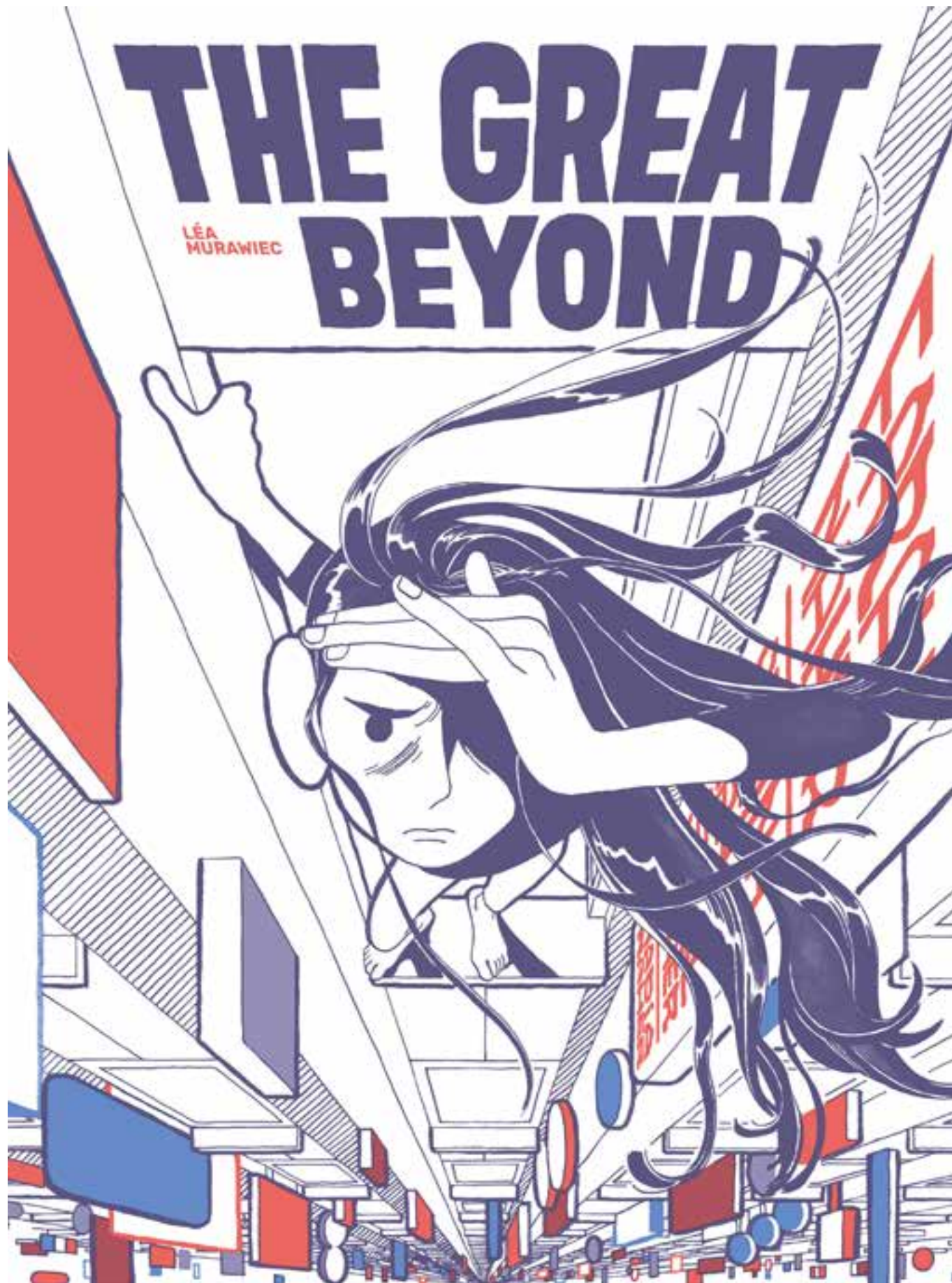








Lawrence Lindell is an artist, musician and educator from California who works in many artistic disciplines, including comics, music, illustration, and mixed media. He is the co-founder of Laneha House.



THE GREAT BEYOND

LÉA MURAWIEC

TRANSLATED BY ALESHIA JENSEN

How would you live with nothing but your name?

Manel Naher wants out. In a world where your name is currency, it's tough to make ends meet. It's even tougher when you share a name with a rising pop star. The city is unbearable—endless high-rises, social climbers left and right, and nothing but names as far as the eye can see. But Manel is looking just a little bit further, just beyond the horizon, and she's even convinced her buddy Ali of just how much more could be lying in wait right outside city limits.

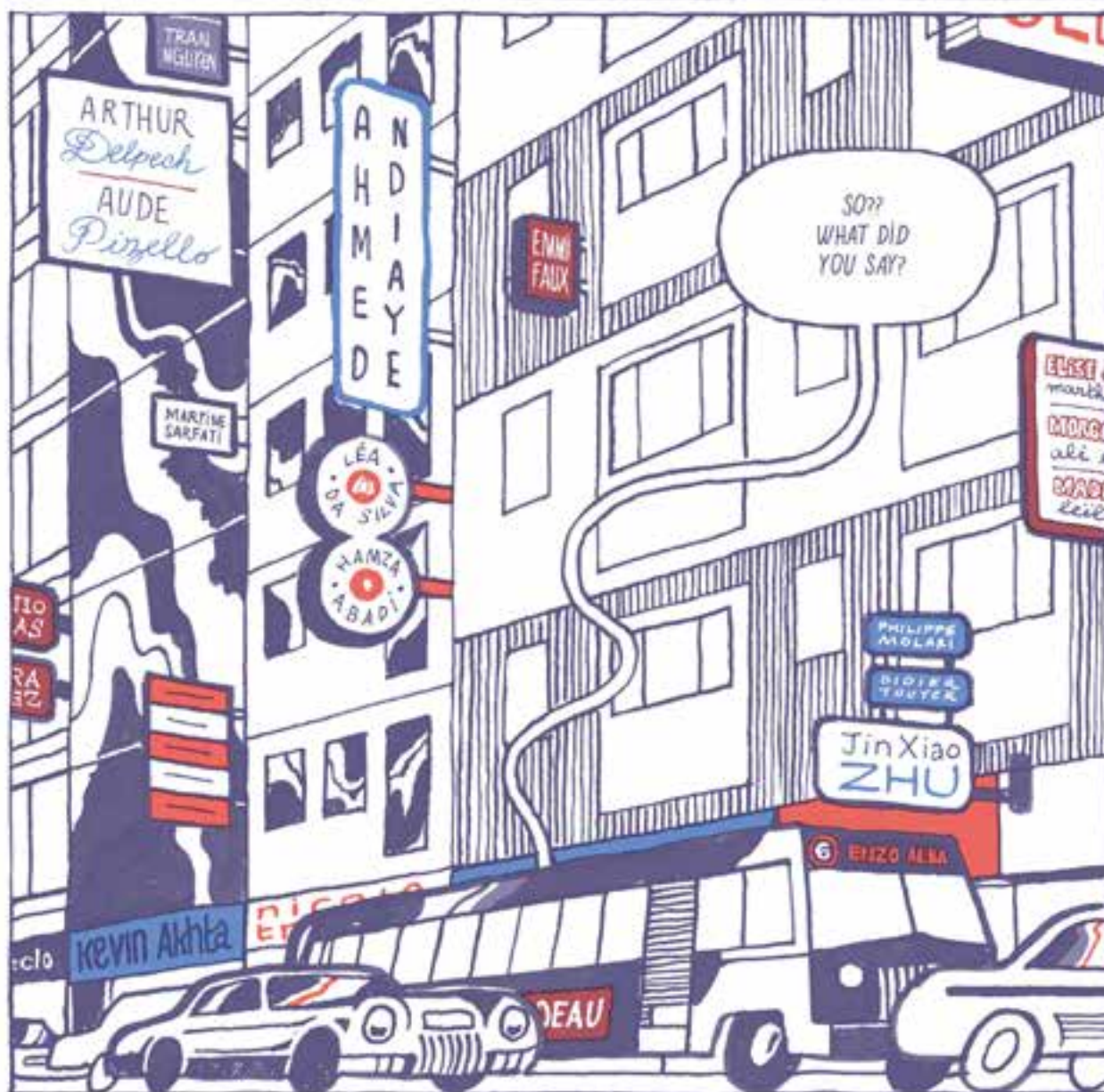
When a sudden heart attack induced by diminished name recognition foils Manel's plans, gradual change becomes a

catalyst for a complete lifestyle overhaul. This stylish, absurd comedy of contemporary manners skewers the human condition in persistent self-promo. Sharp, architectural lines are accented by decisively mellow hues, building a humorously grim world unexpectedly bathed in nothing but light.

An exciting debut from a fresh perspective, *The Great Beyond* showcases newcomer Léa Murawiec's command of comics language and satirizes a sprawling metropolis, its politics, and its extraordinary inhabitants.

Translated by Aleshia Jensen.

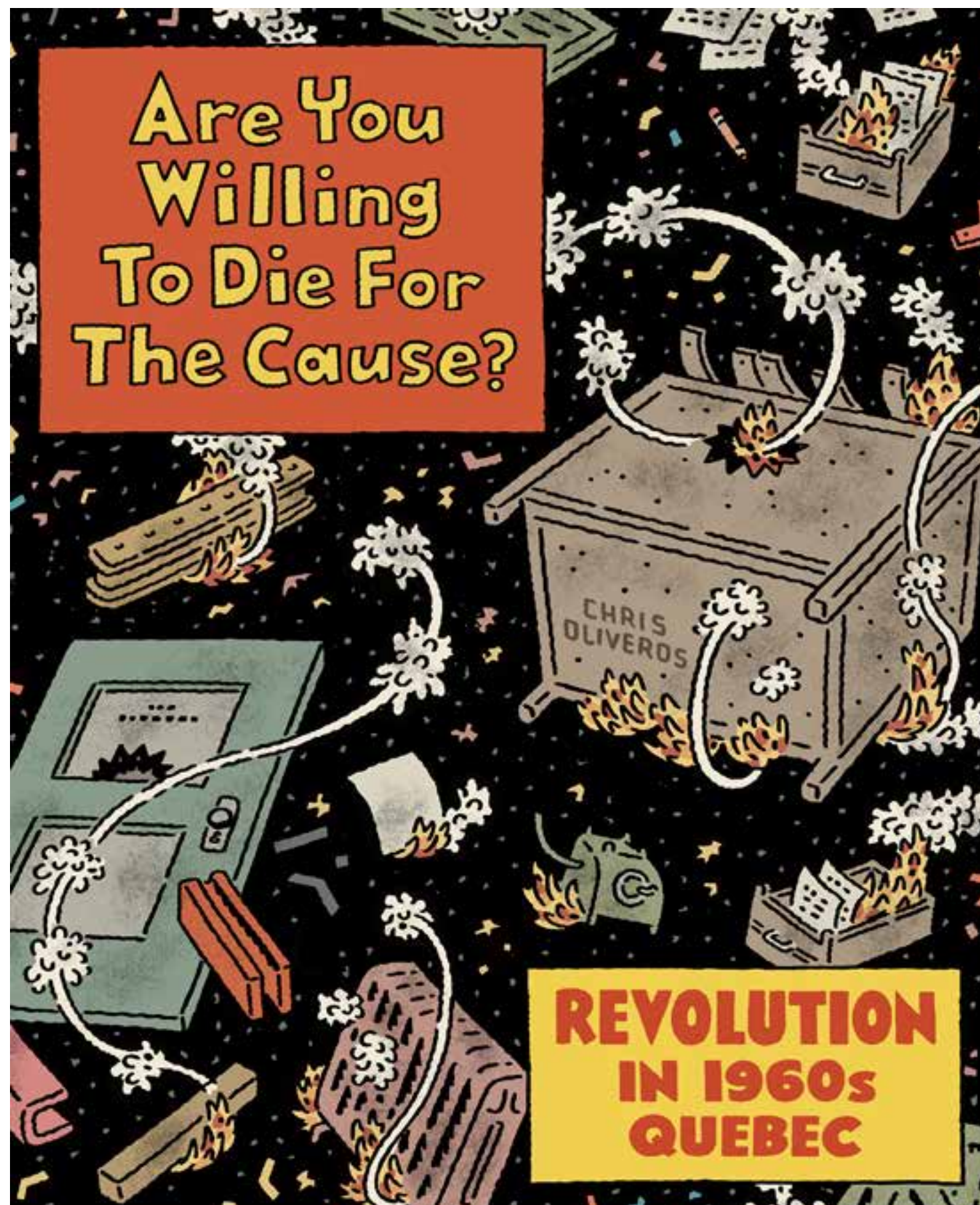
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Léa Murawiec is an avid manga fan who began making her own comics at a very young age. She studied graphic design at the École Estienne and later shifted her focus to comics at the École européenne supérieure de l'image in Angoulême. She is the co-founder of Éditions Flutiste, an independent small press spotlighting emerging cartoonists.



Are You Willing to Die for The Cause?

CHRIS OLIVEROS

A deep dive into a contentious and dramatic period in Canadian history—the rise of a militant separatist group whose effects still reverberate today.

It started in 1963, when a dozen mailboxes in a wealthy Montreal neighborhood were blown to bits by handmade bombs. By the following year, a guerilla army training camp was set up deep in the woods, with would-be soldiers training for armed revolt. Then, in 1966, two high school students dropped off bombs at factories, causing fatalities. What was behind these concerted, often bungled acts of terrorism and how did they last for nearly eight years?

In Are You Willing To Die For The Cause? Quebec-born cartoonist Chris Oliveros sets out to dispel common misconceptions about the birth and early years of a movement that, while now defunct, still holds a tight grip on the hearts and minds of Quebec citizenry and Canadian politics. There are no initials more volatile in Quebec history than F-L-Q. Standing for the Front de libération du Québec (or in English, the Quebec Liberation Front). The original goal of this socialist movement was to fight for workers rights of the

French majority who found their rights trampled on by English bosses. The goal was to rid the province of its English oppression by means of violent revolution.

Using dozens of obscure and long-forgotten sources, Oliveros skillfully weaves a comics oral history where the activists, employers, politicians, and secretaries piece together the sequence of events. At times humorous, other times dramatic, and always informative, *Are You Willing To Die For The Cause?* shines a light on how just little it takes to organize dissent and who people trust to overthrow the government.

PRAISE FOR CHRIS OLIVEROS

“The complex relationship between words and images reveals the depth of Oliveros’ understanding of the medium.”

—*AV Club*

“A thoughtful portrait of a changing world.”—*Publishers Weekly*

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He was late. So I stood there, hoping that none of my teachers would see me and ask what was going on.



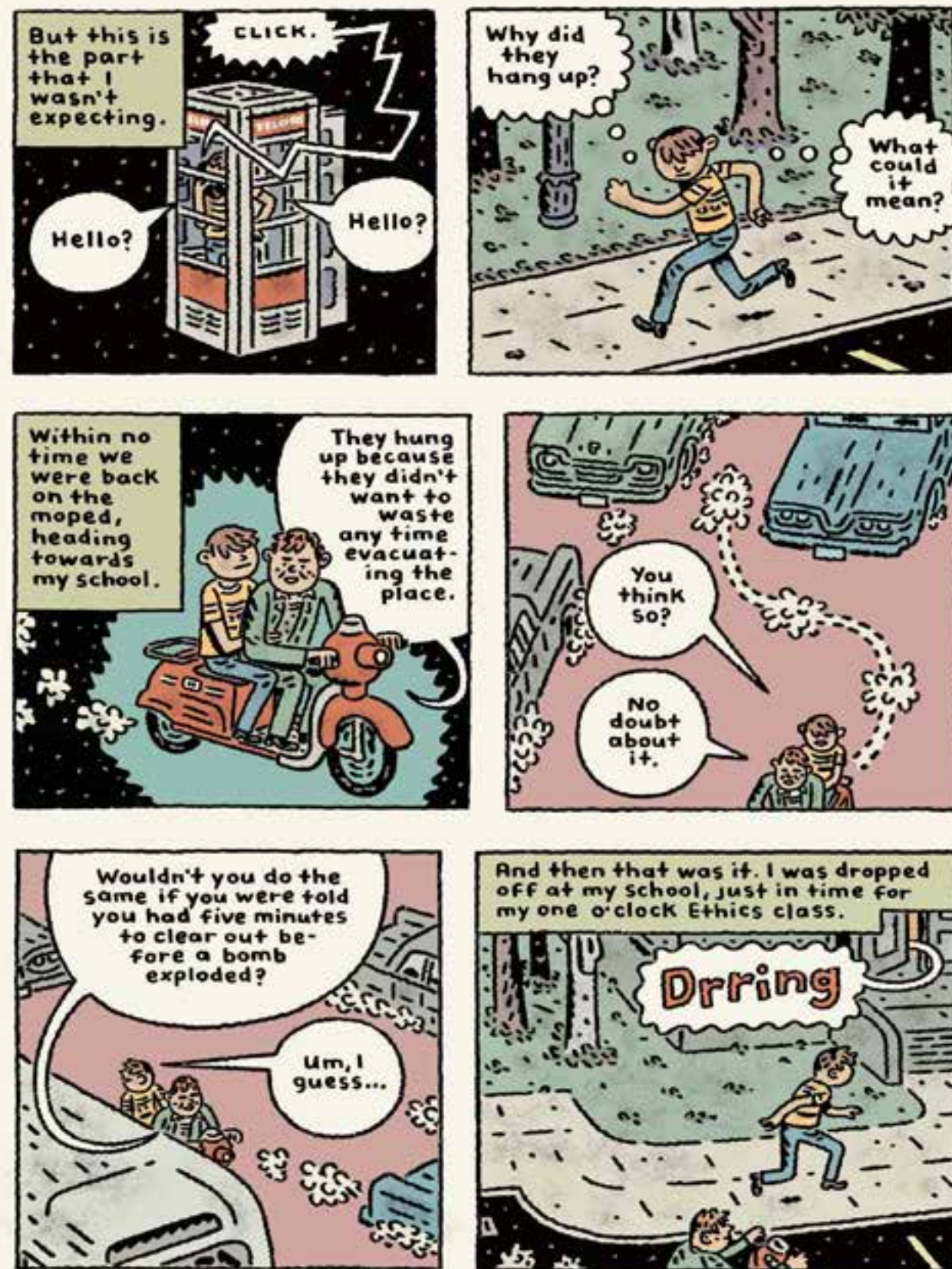
Then, just as I was about to go back inside --



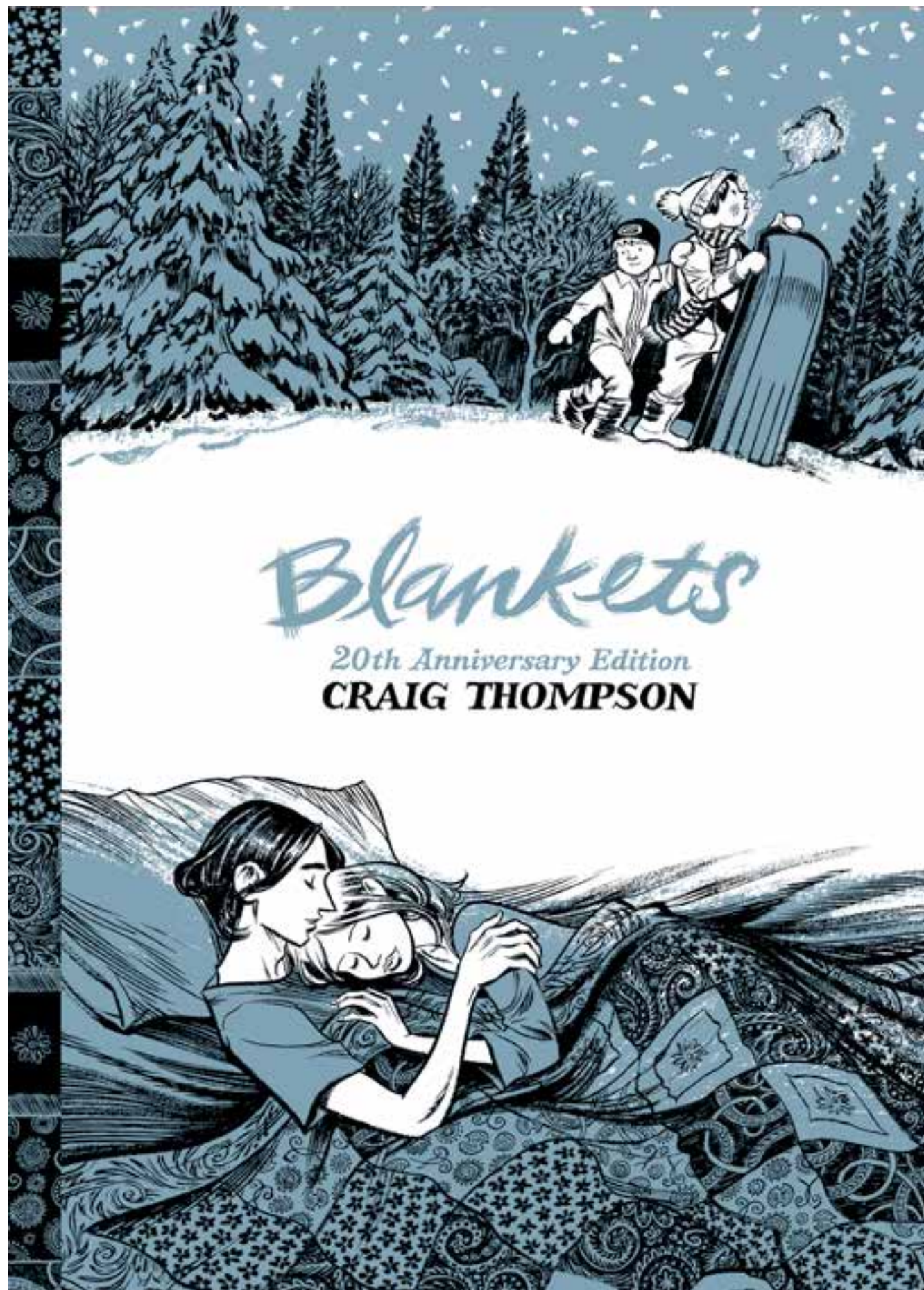
He told me why I had to be careful.







Chris Oliveros is the founder and original publisher of Drawn & Quarterly—one of the most influential comics publishers in the world.



20TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

BLANKETS

CRAIG THOMPSON

A portrait of flourishing desire in a body ever-changing.

“Quaint, meditative and sometimes dreamy, blankets will take you straight back to your first kiss.”—*The Guardian*
Blankets: 20th Anniversary Edition is the story of a young man coming of age and finding the confidence to express his creative voice. Craig Thompson’s poignant graphic memoir plays out against the backdrop of a Midwestern winterscape: finely-hewn linework draws together a portrait of small town life, a rigorously fundamentalist Christian childhood, and a lonely, emotionally mixed-up adolescence.

Under an engulfing blanket of snow, Craig and Raina fall in love at winter church camp, revealing to one another their struggles with faith and their dreams of escape. Over time though, their personal demons resurface and their relationship falls apart. It’s a universal story, and Thompson’s vibrant brushstrokes and unique page designs make the familiar

heartbreaking all over again.

This groundbreaking graphic novel, winner of two Eisner and three Harvey Awards, is an eloquent portrait of adolescent yearning; first love (and first heartache); faith in crisis; and the process of moving beyond all of that. Beautifully rendered in pen and ink, Thompson has created a love story that lasts.

PRAISE FOR BLANKETS

“*Blankets* is a great American novel.”
—*Time*

“Craig Thompson infus[es] his bittersweet tale...with a lyricism so engaging, the pages fly right by...It’s virtual poetry.”
—*Entertainment Weekly*

“*Blankets* [shares] the compelling, heart-breaking story of Thompson’s childhood and first love.”—*USA Today Pop Candy*

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Well, I'm all for joining THAT "crusade".



Look ...

... That group of guys are staring us down.



STUPID
JOCK
ASSHOLES



Why are we sticking around here anyway?

'chz it's COLD outside.



FUCK IT!

On to the cold!



Will you--

What is your name?

Craig.



Will you join us, Craig?

yes...



... but first you need to tell me YOUR name.



I'm Raina.



ONE SIDE-Coming through!

NIKE



Raina...





[Craig Thompson](#) is a cartoonist and the author of the award-winning books *Blankets*, *Carnet de Voyage*, *Good-bye Chunky Rice*, and *Habibi*. Thompson was born in Michigan in 1975, and grew up in a rural farming community in central Wisconsin. His graphic novel *Blankets* won numerous industry awards and has been published in nearly twenty languages around the world. Thompson lives in Portland, Oregon.

NEW PAPERBACK EDITION

THE DEATH-RAY

DANIEL CLOWES

The cartoonist's acclaimed take on the superhero genre— now in paperback.



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Teen outcast Andy is an orphaned nobody with only one friend, the obnoxious—but loyal—Louie. They roam school halls and city streets, invisible to everyone but bullies and tormentors, until the glorious day when Andy takes his first puff on a cigarette. That night he wakes, heart pounding, soaked in sweat, and finds himself suddenly overcome with the peculiar notion that he can do anything. Indeed, he can, and as he learns the extent of his new powers, he discovers a terrible and seductive gadget—a hideous compliment to his seething rage—that forever changes everything.

The Death-Ray utilizes the classic staples of the superhero genre—origin, costume, ray gun, sidekick, fight scene—and reconfigures them in a story that is anything but morally simplistic. With subtle comedy, deft mastery, and an obvious affection for the bold pop-art exuberance of comic book design,

Daniel Clowes delivers a contemporary meditation on the darkness of the human psyche.

One of Daniel Clowes' most beloved books, *The Death-Ray* is the winner of the Eisner, Harvey and Ignatz awards.

PRAISE FOR DANIEL CLOWES

“Daniel Clowes continues to plot a lofty, lonely course through the subconscious of popular culture with this hilariously bleak graphic novel.”—*TIME*

“48 pages densely packed with art, dialogue and ideas, *The Death-Ray* [is] supersaturated, a story delivered directly into your imagination...”—*NPR*

“*The Death-Ray* reads as a cautionary parable and an acidic rumination on the travails of adolescence...Clowes demonstrates what the comic book can do and literary fiction can't.”—*The Guardian*

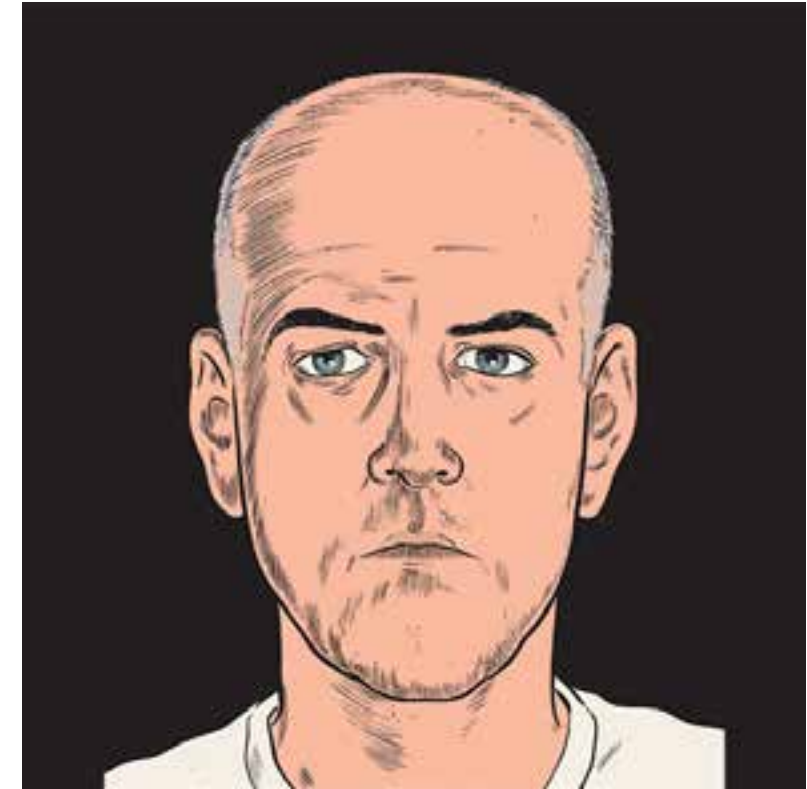
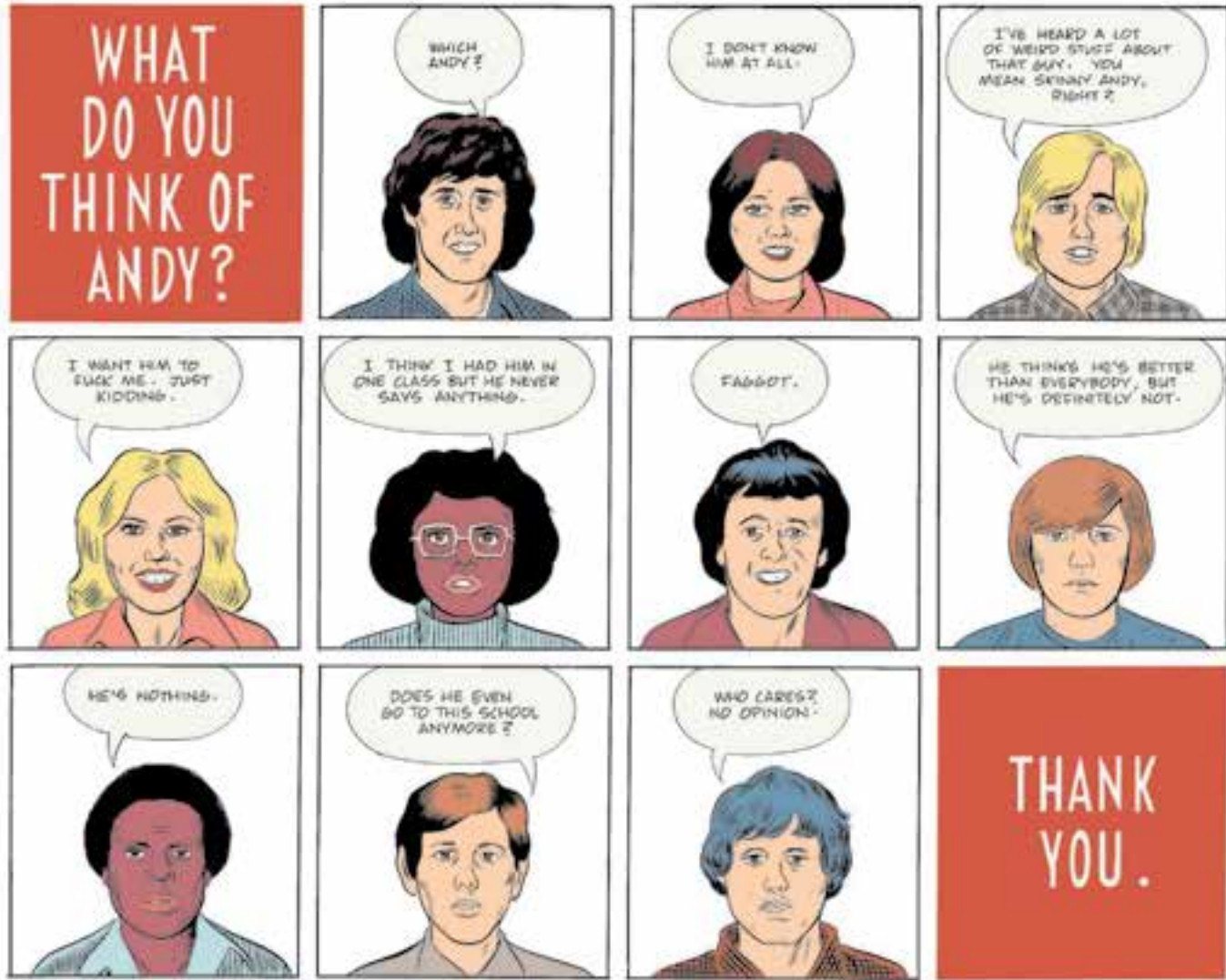
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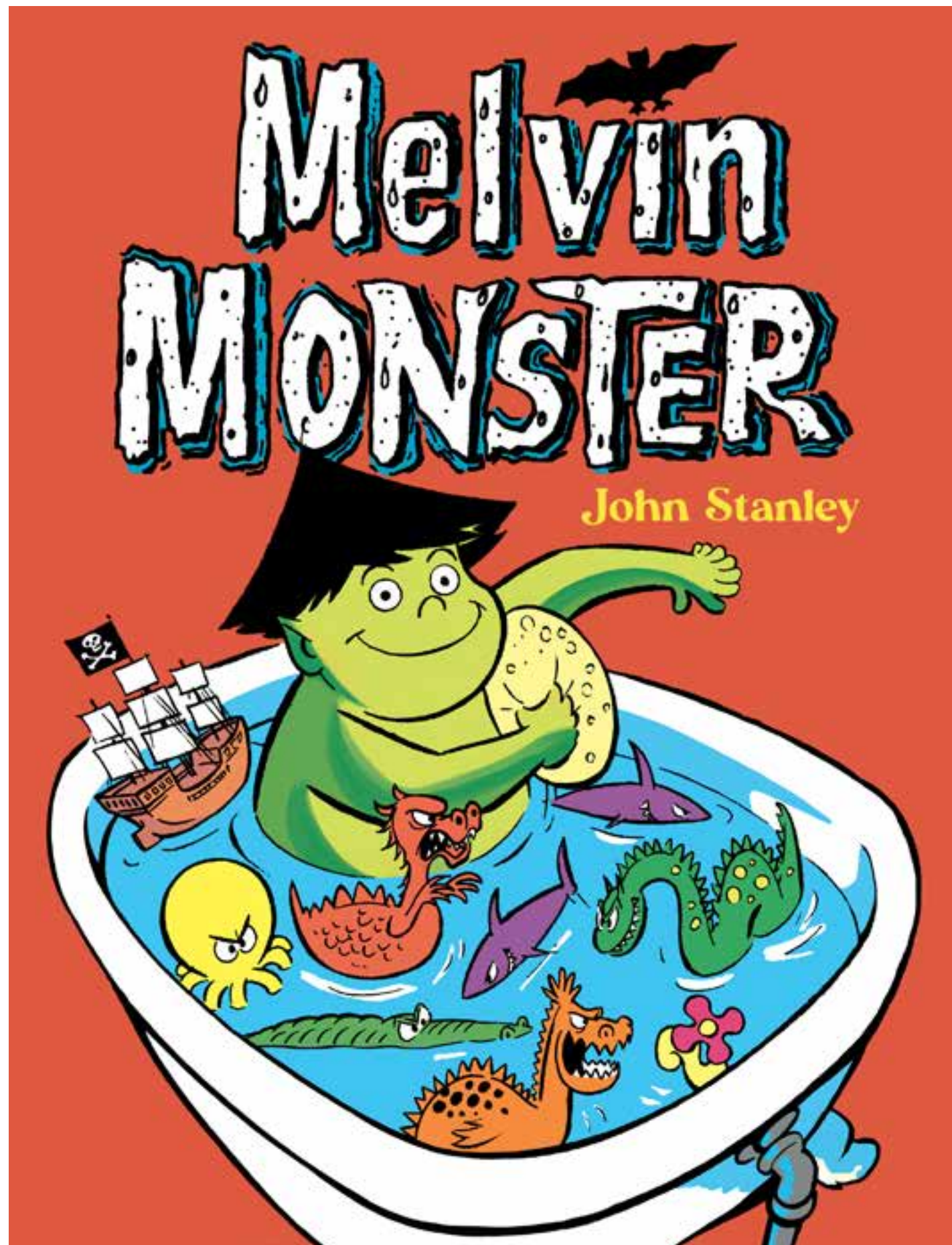


THE ORIGIN OF ANDY





Daniel Clowes is the cartoonist behind the comic book series *Palookaville*, which started in the stone age as a pamphlet and is now a semi-annual hardcover. His comics have appeared in the *New York Times Magazine*, *Best American Comics*, and *McSweeney's*. His illustrations have appeared in publications including the cover of the *New Yorker*, the *Walrus*, and *Canadian Notes & Queries*. He is the designer for several classic comics reprint series, notably collections of work by Charles Schulz, John Stanley, and Doug Wright. In 2022, Seth was awarded the Chevalier de l'ordre des Arts et des Lettres honour.



NEW PAPERBACK EDITION

MELVIN MONSTER

JOHN STANLEY

John Stanley's beloved classic now available in paperback.

Now collected in an omnibus paperback, John Stanley's *Melvin Monster* is the good natured monster boy whose sweet personality belies his monstrous appearance. Melvin Monster just wants to be good, go to school, and do as he is told. Melvin's sunny optimism makes him an oddball outcast in his Monsterville community, where he disappoints his parents "Mummy" and "Baddy" with his irrepressible sunny disposition and also continually escapes the wrath of their pet alligator Cleopatra who only wants to eat Melvin whole. Gag after gag, the acclaimed mid century cartoonist Stanley sets Melvin up in fairly quotidian situations that spiral into hilarious ridiculousness, with a ferociously frenetic comedic timing.

Charmingly naive, *Melvin Monster* draws its direct inspiration from 1960s monster craze with the work of cartoonist Charles Addams and its television

adaptation *The Addams Family* as well as *The Munsters*, however, *Melvin Monster* is all its own with Stanley's superior cartooning skills, melding pop colors, expressive lines and funny jokes, are on full display.

PRAISE FOR MELVIN MONSTER

"[Melvin Monster] features a cartoonist in Stanley who understands a trend and how to put his own stamp on it."—Rob Clough, *The Comics Journal*

"The stories never exceed ten pages, and are densely plotted, with quirky elements that bear a uniquely hilarious touch."—*Slings and Arrows*

"*Melvin Monster* is a bonafide hoot...This is the rare book that actually lives up to its "all ages" description."—Chris Mautner, *Comic Book Resource*

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MELVIN MONSTER

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JOHN STANLEY (1914–93) was a journeyman comics scripter in the 1950s and 1960s. He is most famous for his scripts for the majority of the *Little Lulu* comics produced by Dell, and is considered by many comics historians to be the most consistently funny and idiosyncratic writer ever to work in the field. He left comics bitterly sometime in the late 1960s, never to return.

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