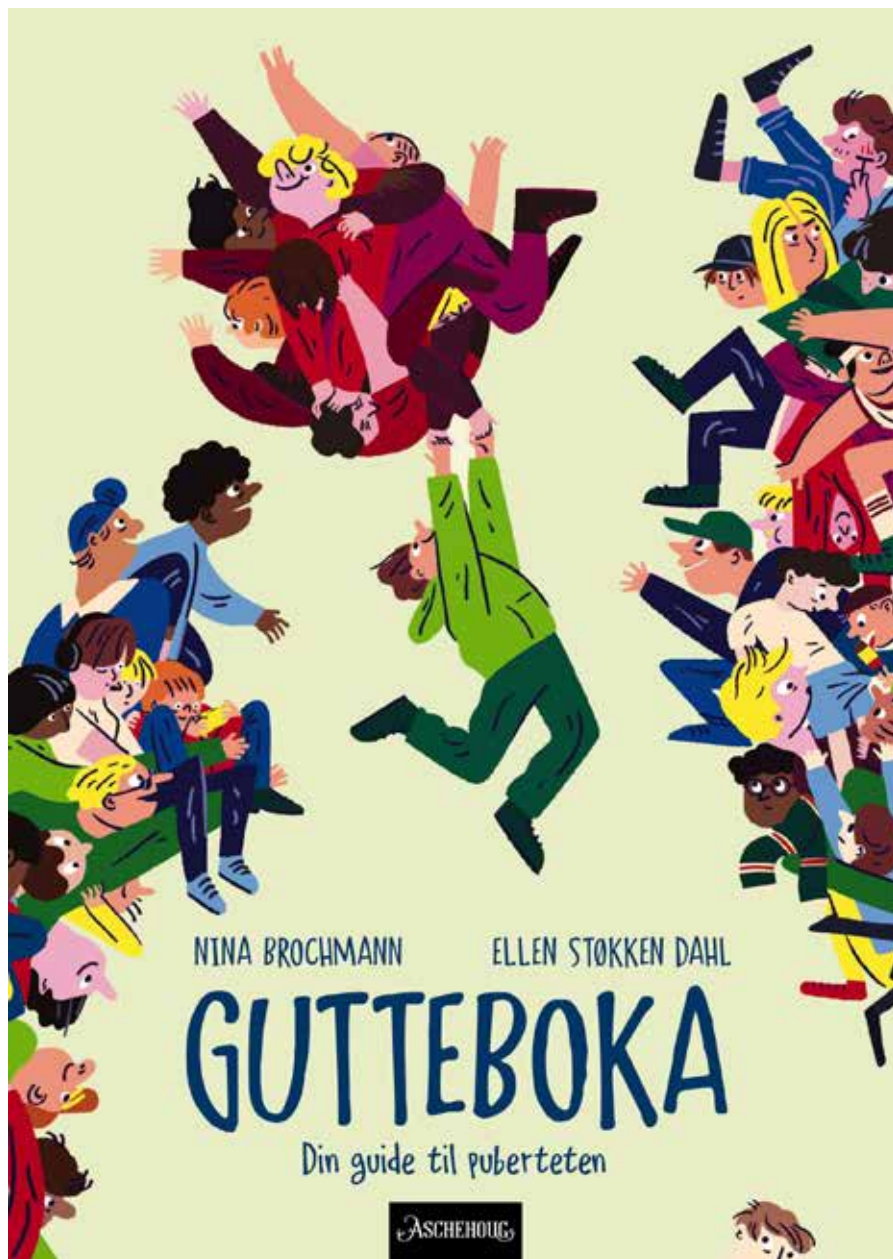


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Illustrated by Magnhild Winsnes

The Boy Book. Your Guide to Puberty



Foreign rights: Danish (Straarup & co.), Estonian (Varrak), Korean (Yellow Pig), Polish (Czarna Owca), Russian (Exmo)

In their books, Brochmann and Dahl share their mission to empower young people through better sex education. They're helping a new generation make informed choices about their bodies and sexual well-being.

A superb, impeccable book that will hopefully be read by many people. (...) There's something so wonderful about the tone. Gentle, inviting, sympathetic, disarming. Smart, cool, and wise. But never admonishing or finger-wagging.

Trine Saugestad Hatlen, VG, 6/6 stars

Sparklingly good! (...) The visual design is a crucial part of what makes the book a good experience. The appealing, clear design uses colours to make the facts stand out, making the book easy to read.

Magnhild Winsnes's illustrations are excellent: The drawings are lively and colourful and illustrate physiology, emotions and mental aspects in a clear, fun way.

Maja Troberg Djuve, Dagbladet, 5/6 stars

Original title: *Gutteboka. Din guide til puberteten*
First publication: September 2021
Publisher: Aschehoug
Non-fiction • Age: 10+ • Sexual health, puberty
Full color • 17 cm x 24.5 cm • 267 pp
Reading material: full English ms Dec.2021, English excerpt, Norwegian PDF

Puberty is a nerve-racking, incredible time!

It's happening! Your body is changing, your hormones are taking control, and your brain is undergoing a kind of reorganisation. This process is called puberty, and it's the most dramatic transformation you'll ever experience – yet it's also the most normal thing in the world.

Most boys have questions about puberty. The authors have answered thousands of them, in sex education classes and at the doctor's office: When will I get a beard? Is my penis normal? How do I find happiness again after a heart-break? Brochmann and Dahl have written *The Boy Book* to give boys answers they can rely on, a guide to help them on their way to adulthood.

Bestseller!

Photo: Anne Valeur



ELLEN STØKKEN DAHL (b. 1991) and NINA BROCHMANN (b. 1987) are medical doctors who have spent several years working with sexual health among young people and minority groups, both as teachers and health workers. Their first book *The Wonder Down Under* (2017) became an international bestseller and cultural phenomenon conveying their message of empowerment through scientific knowledge. Their TEDx-talk "The Virginity Fraud" has had more than 8 million views.



Photo: Ase Holte

MAGNHILD WINSNES (b. 1980) is an award-winning, highly acclaimed animator, illustrator and author. She has worked on several animation productions as animator, designer, director and producer, including the Academy Award winning animation, "The Danish Poet", directed by Torill Kove.

The Girl Book. Ellen and Nina's Guide to Puberty



Original title: *Jenteboka. Ellen and Ninas guide til puberteten*
Publisher: Aschehoug, 2019
Full color illustrations by Magnhild Winsnes
Reading material: full English ms, Norwegian PDF

Foreign sales in 17 territories

#1 Bestseller

Winner of the 2019 Ministry of Culture Non-Fiction Prize
Winner of "Gold - Children & YA Non-Fiction 2020" – the Norwegian Designers' Guild Visual Prize The Year's Most Beautiful Books

Selected title on the White Raven 2020 list
NORLA's focus title 2019

Foreign rights: Brazilian Portuguese (Companhia das Letras), Danish (Straarup & co.), Dutch (Luitingh-Sijthoff), Estonian (Varrak), French (Actes Sud), German (Dressler), Italian (Sonzogno di Marsilio Editori), Korean (Yellow Pig), Latvian (Zvaigzne), Polish (Czarna Owca), Russian (Exmo), Swedish (Lilla Piratförlaget), Ukrainian (Book Chef).

Randi Fuglehaug & Anne Gunn Halvorsen

The Royalteen • YA series, six titles

Original titles: *Halve kongeriket*.

#1 *Arvingen* (2020, 270 pp), #2 *Drømmepriinsen* (2021, 208 pp), #3 *På tronen* (2021, 312 pp),

#4 *Audiens* (tbp2022), #5 *Blått Blod* (tbp2022), #6 *Kroningen* (tbp2023)

Publisher: Aschehoug

Reading material: full English ms #1, English excerpt #2, English summaries #1 - #6,

English reviews #1, Norwegian ms #1 - #3

Foreign rights: Bulgarian (Perseus, 6 books), Catalan (Destino Planeta), Danish (Gyldendal, 3 books in auction), French (Hachette Romans, 4 books in pre-empt), German (Arena, 3 books in auction), Italian (DeA Planeta, 2 books in auction), Polish (Jaguar Bonnier, 4 books in pre-empt), Russian (AST, 2 books), World Spanish (Destino Planeta). Film rights: Netflix



Have you ever wondered what it's like dealing with teenage issues when you're a member of your country's royal family? These are the books for you!

In the Royalteen series we follow the royal twins, Prince Karl Johan and Princess Margrethe, and their friends at high school. The series tells modern love stories, portraying the struggles and joys of being young and today's pop culture.

#1 The Heir

Can there be a future for Karl Johan, first in line to the throne, and Lena, the secret teenage mum?

#2 Prince Charming

Last year's prom ended in major drama for Princess Margrethe, and the problems are piling up for the Royal family. Who is a real princess allowed to date?

#3 On the Throne

When her video goes viral, TikTok star Tess is praised for her fight against racism. But what happens when she falls in love with the pop artist she accused of being a racist?

Photo: Agnete Brun



ANNE GUNN HALVORSEN (b. 1984) is a journalist and a critic. She has written several non-fiction books for young adults and adults.

RANDI FUGLEHAUG (b. 1980) is a journalist, editor and author of fiction and non-fiction books for children, young adults and adults.

Praise for #1 The Heir:

This book is a sure-fire hit! Funny, feel-good royal goodies plus teenage issues. The Heir is a Kinder egg of a YA book. (...) with what looks like a fairy tale happy ending – until the very last sentence. I jump out of my chair – and literally scream for a follow-up. The authors have to get a move on. This book simply has to be a hit.

Cathrine Krøger, Dagbladet, 5/6 stars

... a social wet dream of a YA book.

Oda FaremoLindholm, VG, 5/6 stars

No wonder publishers were fighting to win this book.

Anne Cathrine Straume, NRK

... deserves to be as successful as the TV series "SKAM".

Britta Voergaard Poulsen, Litteratursiden

Praise for #2 Prince Charming:

... like a home-alone party that takes place entirely on young people's terms. (...) Such word-perfect prose and content makes for greedy readers. Every chapter is like a chunk of chocolate: even as you eat it, all you can think about is devouring the entire bar.

Nora Steenberg, Bok365, 5/6 stars

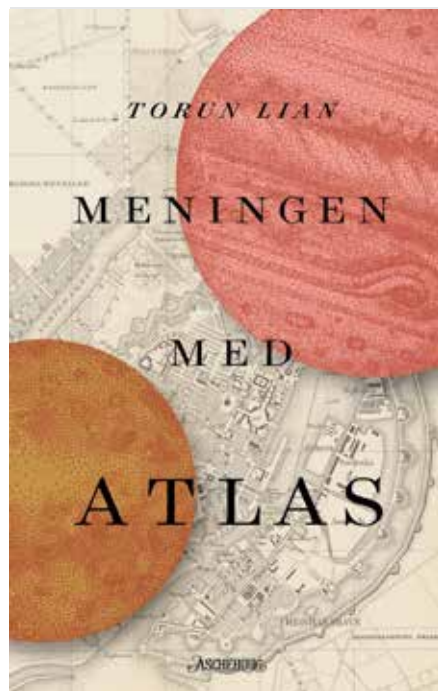
Sold in pre-empts, auctions, and multi-book deals.

The film, adapted by Netflix, is scheduled for worldwide streaming in 2022.

Winner of the 2020 YA prize.

Torun Lian

The Meaning of Atlas



Original title: *Meningen med Atlas*
First publication: August 2021
Publisher: Aschehoug
YA • 223 pp
Reading material: English summary, English excerpt, Norwegian ms

16-year-old Atlas is dying of cancer. Unable to face further treatment, he runs away. He has no plan, other than to get away from everything. At the railway station in Copenhagen, his attention is drawn to a girl who's living on the seamy side of life. The two of them end up wandering the streets of Copenhagen. Atlas keeps quiet about his condition and lets her lead him into her Copenhagen: the dark side of the city, and the free town of Christiania. For Atlas, nothing but Molly makes sense.

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... a classic love story where opposites attract and match. (...) Through the story of two people and their different ways of seeking a meaning in life, in what for them is an existential explosion, Lian's prose is strong and poetic, and holds the very big questions.

Karen Frøysland Nystøyl, Vårt Land

Awards and nominations:

Alice and the Things You Don't Know, Thank God:
Nominated for the 2018 Nordic Council Literary Prize

Alice Isn't Swimming:
Winner of the 2016 Ministry of Culture Literary Prize
Winner of the 2016 Ministry of Culture Illustrator Prize
Nominated for the 2016 Critics' Prize

Backup Princess:
Winner of the 2015 Norwegian Book Prize (the Brage Prize)

Only Clouds Move the Stars:
The 1999 Ingmar Bergman Award



TORUN LIAN (b. 1956) is a critically acclaimed film director and author with numerous national and international awards to her name. She has written film scripts, plays, TV series and books for children, young adults and adults. Her books have been published in 12 languages.

Hannah Mileman & Nora Dåsnes (ill.)

Winnie Wants to Bake - Winnie Wants to Go to the Loo



Original titles:
Vesle vil også bake, Vesle vil også gå på do
First publication: March 2021, September 2021
Publisher: Aschehoug
Board books • 18.5 cm x 18.5 cm • 32 pp
Age: 2 - 5
Reading material: English ms,
Norwegian PDF's

The world is full of new and fun things for little Winnie to explore. Sometimes it's too high or too steep. Sometimes it's hard and scary. Wendy isn't convinced that Winnie can manage all the things she can. But Winnie is pretty smart. Winnie isn't too little to do anything!

The very youngest readers will easily recognize themselves in the character of Winnie, his small dilemmas and big emotions.

Warm-hearted and humorous
in both text and illustrations.



Foreign rights: Danish (Turbine)



Photo: Oda Berby

NORA DÅSNES (b. 1995) is an author, illustrator and graphic designer. She has a degree in illustration and animation from Kingston University, London. Her debut, the graphic novel *Cross My Heart and Hope to Die*, won several prestigious awards and has been published in nine territories.

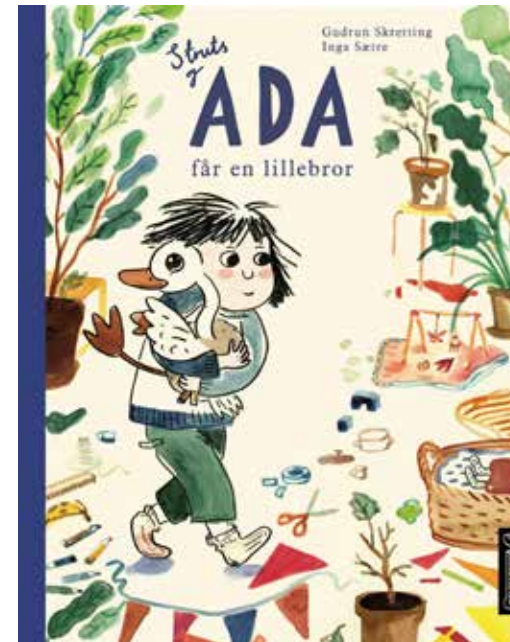


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HANNAH MILEMAN (b. 1995) is an author, illustrator and graphic designer. She has a degree from Kingston University, London.

Gudrun Skretting & Inga H. Sætre (ill.)

Ostrich and Ada Gets a Baby Brother



Original title:
Struts og Ada får en lillebror
First publication: October 2021
Publisher: Aschehoug
Picture book • 22.7 cm x 18 cm • 32 pp
Age: 2 - 5
Reading material: English ms,
Norwegian PDF

When Ada's baby brother is born, she gets a cuddly toy called Ostrich. The baby is too little to do almost anything – but Ostrich isn't. Ada can play with Ostrich and have as much fun as she wants. Especially when Mum and Jon are too busy.

First book in the series
about Ada and her family,
told with charm and humour.

Perfect for reading aloud
to readers aged 2 years and up.

GUDRUN SKRETTING (b. 1971) is a classical pianist educated at The Norwegian Academy of Music. She studied creative writing and literature at the Norwegian Institute for Children's Books. Her popular books about Anton have won and been nominated for several prestigious literary awards, including the Italian Premio Libro per l'Ambiente.

INGA H. SÆTRE (b. 1978) is an award-winning illustrator, animator and author of graphic novels.



Photo: Niklas Lello



Photo: Stine Friis Hals

Mona Grivi Norman & Isabell Martinsen

The Zoo Detectives #8: The Shark is Coming



Original title: *Dyrehagedetectivene #8.*

Haien kommer!

First publication: November 2021

Publisher: Aschehoug

Children's book • Age: 6 - 9 • 120 pp

Full color • 21 cm x 16 cm

Reading material: Norwegian PDF

Theo is visiting Hanna and her dad who's working on a research project in Australia. They explore life under the sea, getting to know pearl-divers, turtles, and the endangered white shark. When a valuable pearl disappears, Hanna and Theo embark on a new adventure: being detectives under water. Who stole the pearl? What are they going to do when the white shark appears?

Hanna and Theo solve mysteries at Lindegaard Zoo

Lindegaard is a zoo and a science park for rare animal species. Researchers and zoo keepers comes here from all over the world to try and find ways of protecting endangered animals and helping them reproduce. The zoo also saves animals from being mistreated in captivity.

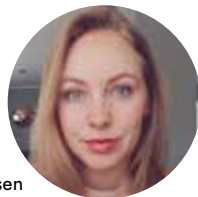
MONA GRIVI NORMAN (b. 1983) loves animals, especially dogs, dolphins and marmosets. She works as a journalist at one of the biggest newspapers in Norway covering health, crime and foreign affairs.

Photo: Oda Berby



ISABELL MARTINSEN (b. 1991) loves to draw lions and dogs. She is an illustrator and character designer with a university degree in virtual art and design.

Photo: I. Martinsen



The Zoo Detectives Series - eight titles

Who took the lion cub? How did the panda manage to escape? Did somebody poison the lemures? Why has the polar bear mum left her two cubs hungry and alone on an ice floe? Was it really the puma who took the lambs? How can the zoo win back its visitors when a travelling animal show comes to town - with a unicorn as its main attraction?

Reading material: Full English #1, Norwegian PDF's #1 - #8



Foreign rights: Danish (Turbine)

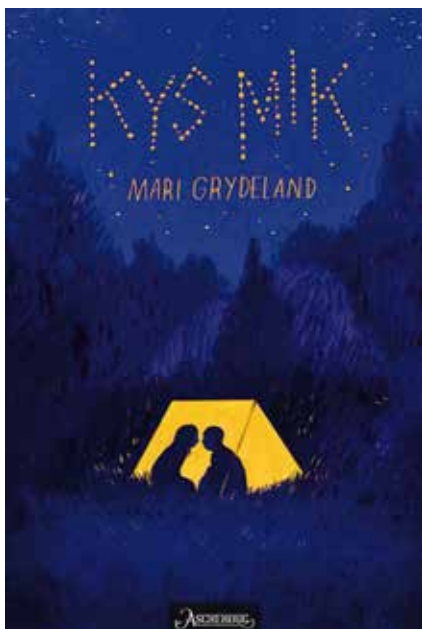
Bestselling series

Suitable for first readers.

The plots are child-friendly and exciting.

Each title ends with facts about the animal in the story.

Mari Grydeland Kys Mik



(...) a gem of a sitcom.

Karen Frøsland Nystøyl, Periskop

Gets right to the heart of being a 12-year-old.

Jan Øyvind Helgesen and Molly Nagel,
Nettavisen, 6/6 stars

(...) this should be required reading. Sara's fear of zombies and axe murderers (...) is nicely balanced out by her well-rounded voice, fresh reflections, and effortless sense of humour.

Guri Fjeldberg, Aftenposten

Original title: *Kys mik*

First publication: May 2021

Publisher: Aschehoug

Age: 9 - 12 • 263 pp

Reading material: English summary,
English excerpt, Norwegian ms

The things 12 year old Sara likes most in the world are:

- fairy lights
- her best friend Jonatan

The things she likes least in the world are:

- the dark
- kissing
- girl drama

When Sara's best friend Jonatan is diagnosed with diabetes, his parents want her to go with him on the scouts' hiking trip. There's only one problem: Sara is scared of the dark. Will Emmy, the new girl in class, beat her to the punch? Emmy already has a scout's knife and a scout's uniform, and she's not afraid of anything. And who is sending Sara notes saying "Kys mik"? Sara isn't interested in kissing anyone. Ever. Or is she?

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Photo: Agnete Brun

MARI GRYDELAND (b. 1976) is a journalist and a critic. She has worked as a host at the Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation, and as a magazine editor. She has published books for adults. *Kys mik* is her first children's book.

Kine Jeanette Solberg Try Not to Laugh



Foreign rights: Danish (Straarup)

The book deserves to find many readers.

Marianne Lystrup, Vårt Land

Try Not to Laugh gives a charming voice to children who struggle with social skills.

Siri Larsen, Barnebokkritikk.no

(...) packed with reflections on life – some spot-on and others shaky. It's sensitive and delicate and funny.

Anne Cathrine Straume, NRK

KINE JEANETTE SOLBERG (b. 1984) is an author and illustrator, as well as a screenwriter and producer for TV and radio.



Photo: Agnete Brun

Original title: *Ikke lov å le*

First publication: March 2021

Publisher: Aschehoug

Age: 9 - 12 • 158 pp

Reading material: English summary,
Norwegian ms

Kaja moves from the city to a small town. Kaja's mum thinks it'll be good for her, but Kaja is dreading it. She's starting at a new school after a few difficult episodes at her last one. Kaja is sharp and energetic, but finds the whole business of making friends scary and hard. And when something's hard, Kaja has a word she likes to repeat to herself: Roygbiv. It's an acronym for all the colours of the rainbow. Kaja finds rainbows comforting. They appear all by themselves, transforming the rain into something magical.

Kaja's birthday is coming up, and while her mum is busy thinking about how they should celebrate, Kaja has only one thing on her mind: How do people make real friends? She could never have guessed what the answer would be!

(...) a really carefully thought-out book (...) well-chosen metaphors, lovely, appropriate descriptions of the environment and the landscape in which the story takes place – and a big dose of craziness. That last aspect is perhaps the best of all.

Karen Frøsland Nystøyl, Periskop

Maren Ørstavik

Sudden Storm



Original title: *Storm i stallen*
First publication: March 2021
Publisher: Aschehoug
Age: 9 - 12 • 277 pp
Reading material: Norwegian ms

Finally, Hedda is one of the gang, and she's responsible for taking care of the sick horse, Dakota. But when the girls have to fight to keep the stable open, Hedda's place in the stable comes into question. As the problems pile up, can she save the stable and her friendships – and still be there for Dakota when the horse need her the most?

Sudden Storm is second book in the series about the horse-loving girl Hedda. Titles in the series:

Book #1: *The Secret of the White Horse*

Book #2: *Sudden Storm*

Book #3: *The Last Wilde Horse* (tbp 2022)

A thriller series for avid horse-lovers, about secrets, intrigues, friendships, and romance.

A dream of a book for horse-loving girls.

Ingrid Senje, Barnebokkritikk.no

prais for #1, *The Secret of the White Horse*



MAREN ØRSTAVIK (b. 1986) learned horse-riding at a ranch in the US. She is a journalist and music critic and has worked as an editor for a magazine about art for children and young people. She trained as a pianist at the Norwegian Academy of Music and Hochschule für Musik und Theater Hannover, Germany. Ørstavik currently lives in New York.



Photo: Oda Berby

Nora Dåsnes

Missed Calls



Original title: *Ubesvart anrop*
First publication: July 2021
Publisher: Aschehoug
Graphic novel • Age: 13+ • 283 pp
Full color • 17.5 cm x 23.5 cm
Reading material: Norwegian PDF

Oslo, late summer 2011. Fariba and Rebekka start high school a month after the July 22nd terror attack in Norway. Rebekka didn't know anyone who died in the terror attack, and believes she's the kind of person who can carry on as usual. While her friend Fariba responds by joining a political party, Rebekka channels all her energies into the school play, Daniel with the curly hair, partying, schoolwork and friends. The trouble is that Rebekka just can't stop thinking about the terror attack.

A graphic novel about young people living in the aftermath of a terror attack. A story about trying to find meaning in life when faced with the meaningless; about being on the outside; about sorrow and anxiety. A book about how tough it can be to reach out for each other, and how important it turns out to be when we manage to do so.

(...) full of hope (...) few – perhaps no others – have described a nation's sorrow and the tense atmosphere of autumn 2011 the way Nora Dåsnes does (...) A fine achievement (...) Nora Dåsnes portrays Oslo the way Edvard Munch would probably have done today.

Kristine Isaksen, VG, 6/6 stars

NORA DÅSNES (b. 1995) is an author, illustrator and graphic designer. She has a degree in illustration and animation from Kingston University, London. Her debut, the graphic novel *Cross My Heart and Hope to Die*, won several prestigious awards and has been published in nine territories.



Photo: Oda Berby

Kathrine Nedrejord

There's No Truth



Original title: *Det finnes ingen sannhet*

First publication: September 2021

Publisher: Aschehoug

Age: 13+ • 165 pp

Reading material: English excerpt,

Norwegian ms

What do you do when the worst thing that can happen happens and there's no one you can turn to? Not even your own family... Vilma's whole life has been turned upside down. She and her family have moved far away, but no one talks about why. Soon their dark and painful past catches up with them. Escape is impossible.

There's No Truth is a psychological thriller about finding something you can believe in when the line between lies and truth becomes blurred.

KATHRINE NEDREJORD (b. 1987) is an author of books for children, YA, adults, and playwright. Her YA and children's books have earned her several nominations for prestigious literary awards, including the IBBY Honour list and – twice – the Ministry of Culture Literary Prize. *Sara's Secret* was named Book of the Month in Germany. Nedrejord was recently playwright-in-residence at Oslo's National Theatre. She lives in Paris.



Photo: Live Rønningen

Harald Rosenløy Eeg

The Boy in the Dark



Original title: *Gutten i mørket*

First publication: May 2021

Publisher: Aschehoug

Age: 13+ • 189 pp

Reading material: Norwegian ms

Oslo, 1942. When Johan discovers that his mum uses their apartment as hiding place for saboteurs, he becomes determined to join the Resistance. He wants to fight, to do the right thing. But is he brave enough? Who is he fighting for? And who can he trust?

The Boy in the Dark is an intense thriller about being young, and about the consequences of war, inspired by a true story.

High-class writing (...) quite simply great literature.

Finn Stenstad, Tønsberg Blad, 5/6 stars

Eeg writes so brilliantly about feelings that he really conveys them to the reader.

Kristine Isaksen, VG, 5/6 stars

In my opinion, Eeg is one of Scandinavia's finest YA authors. He has a rare presence. He has an eye for momentous situations and a mastery of prose that other authors can only dream of.
Anne Cathrine Straume, NRK

HARALD ROSENLOEW EEG (b. 1970) is a critically acclaimed and award-winning author and script writer. He is a two-time winner and a one-time nominee for the Norwegian Book Award, the Brage Prize, the winner of two prestigious debut prizes, and three-time winner of the Ministry of Culture Literary Prize. He has a degree in History of Religion from University of Oslo.



Photo: Niklas Lello

Heidi Sævareid

XR UK



Heidi Sævareid's YA novels have won her three nominations for the Norwegian Book Award, the Brage Prize. We can't rule out the possibility that she will be nominated for this one too. Because her writing is good (...) the book is definitely worth reading.

Valerie Kubens, Fædrelandsvennen

Original title: *XR UK*

First publication: September 2021

Publisher: Flamme Forlag

Age: 13+ • 184 pp

Reading material: English summary,
Norwegian ms

It's been a year since 14-year-old Line moved to Bristol, UK, with her mum, who's working as an editor at BBC Nature and is active member of Extinction Rebellion (XR). The methods the activist group adopts in its global battle to combat climate change involve non-violent, disruptive civil disobedience; the members lie down in the street, chain themselves up, and refuse to move, to demonstrate that they are willing to die to halt the climate crisis. When XR Bristol plans to shut down the city centre and blockade a bank, Line worries that her mum will be arrested for breaking the law. Line hangs out with Polly and Lexi, but the friendship gets hard to handle when Polly becomes jealous, and Lexi prefers one of them to the other.

XR UK is about social justice, climate activism and immigration rights. But first and foremost, it's the story of a spiky friendship between three young girls.

HEIDI SÆVAREID (b. 1984) is an acclaimed and award-winning author, translator, and literary critic. She won the Ministry of Culture First Book Prize, and her YA novels have earned her three nominations for the Norwegian Book Award, the Brage Prize. Her novel for adults, *Longyearbyen*, has also been published in Croatian, Danish and German. Sævareid has a degree in Nordic Literature from University of Oslo. She lives in Bristol, England.



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