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EDITORIAL

At Bayard, we believe in the power of storytelling.

Across our publishing programs, we are committed to true stories in all their forms, stories that help us better understand both others and ourselves.

Through the Bayard Graphic' imprint, we publish graphic novels by authors and artists whose work is grounded in real life and who illuminate the world with insight, humor, poetry, and sensitivity.

These books may revisit a defining moment in someone's life, paint the portrait of a remarkable individual, investigate a social issue through immersive journalism, explore a cultural subject, or take readers on a journey.

More than works of nonfiction, these narratives are always shaped by the personal experiences and perspectives of their creators.

Bayard Graphic' offers a unique way of seeing the world, through both words and art.

David Groison
Editorial director

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HIGHLIGHTS

When Cats have Dogs

or How Daily Life Can Become Upside Down

By Lesly Plée



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: September 2026

PAGES: 168

FORMAT: 171 x 225 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €19

KEY WORDS: FAMILY, PARENTING, DIFFERENCE, HUMOR, CATS

A graphic novel for new parents, cat and dog lovers, and anyone who believes that our differences enrich us.

A hilarious portrait of a couple's life turned upside down by the arrival of a child. Becoming a parent means facing sleepless nights, but also embracing the challenge of difference, stepping outside your comfort zone, and discovering other ways of life.

A dynamic style that humorously captures the wink of a blasé cat, the commotion of a puppy wreaking havoc in the living room, and the cozy comfort of a sofa where it's good to purr.

A very personal story: «I am this big introverted cat who loves to do nothing, plan nothing, read, dream and draw. My son is this big dog, who runs everywhere, extroverted, and energetic,» confides Leslie Plée.

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR



Leslie Plée is a comic book author and illustrator. She enjoys sharing her experiences with humor in autobiographical stories. Her latest work, «Cats Make Dogs,» allows her to talk about parenthood, depicting herself as a «big, introverted cat who loves doing nothing» and her son as a «big, running dog.» She has also recently collaborated with journalists Doan Bui on «Fake News: The News That Doesn't Turn Right,» and Rebecca Manzoni on «Music Queens: A History of Girl Power and Pop Music.»

When Cats have Dogs

or How Daily Life Can Become Upside Down

By Lesly Plée

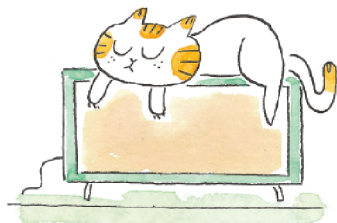
Sans oublier le brossage de dents.



Ils adorent s'endormir
en lisant des bandes dessinées
ou des romans policiers.



Ils adorent aussi
s'assoupir devant des
séries à la télé.



Ils adorent encore plus
se rendormir quand ils
se sont réveillés trop tôt.

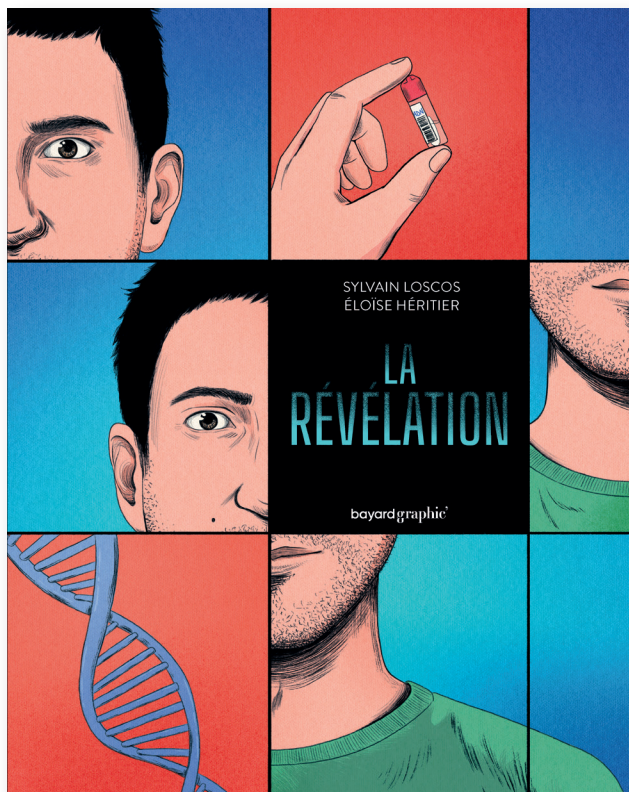


Je suis épuisé,
je vais me
recoucher.



The Revelation

By Sylvain Loscos & Éloïse Héritier



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: October 2026

PAGES: 120

FORMAT: 210 x 270 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €22

KEY WORDS: ORIGIN, FAMILY, IDENTITY

A true story. It all begins with a seemingly innocuous act: a blood sample taken from inside the cheek with a cotton swab. A game, a so-called «recreational» DNA test. Then, without warning, everything changes.

A revelation shatters Sylvain's life. He finds himself drawn into an intimate and unsettling investigation, where each discovery reopens a deeper wound. A dizzying plunge into the heart of a family secret, where two rights clash, as legitimate as they are irreconcilable: the right to silence of the woman who gave birth anonymously and the visceral desire to know her origins.

AUTHOR

Sylvain Loscos is a screenwriter and director. He is also the founder and director of the National School Film Festival.

ILLUSTRATOR

Éloïse Héritier is a graduate illustrator and graphic designer based in Paris. Her work is influenced by film, comics, photography, and pop culture. She enjoys drawing portraits, reinterpreting film posters, and creating worlds with a strange or surreal atmosphere.

The Revelation

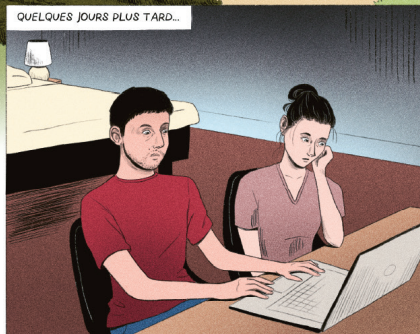
By Sylvain Loscos & Éloïse Héritier

POUR NOTRE RECHERCHE DE MAISON,
LA RÉPARTITION DES RÔLES S'ÉTAIT FAITE
TRÈS NATURELLEMENT. MAY FOURNAIT TOUTE LA
JOURNÉE SUR INTERNET, À L'AFFÛT DES NOUVELLES
OFFRES. ELLE CONNAISSAIT LE MARCHÉ DE
L'IMMOBILIER LOCAL COMME SA POCHÉ.
LES PRIX, LES AGENCES, LES BONS PLANS...

DE MON CÔTÉ, J'ALLAIS SUR LE TERRAIN POUR
VISITER, FILMER, PRENDRE DES PHOTOS...



QUELQUES JOURS PLUS TARD...

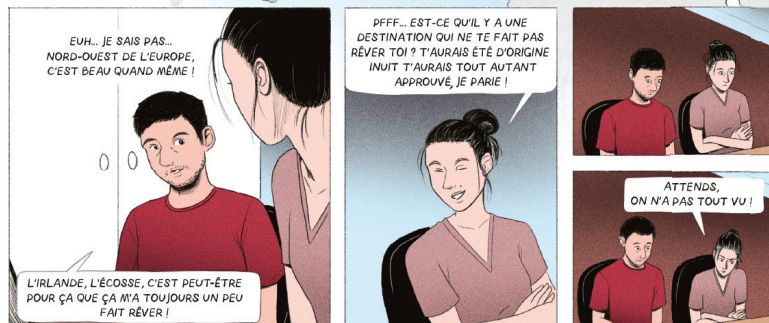
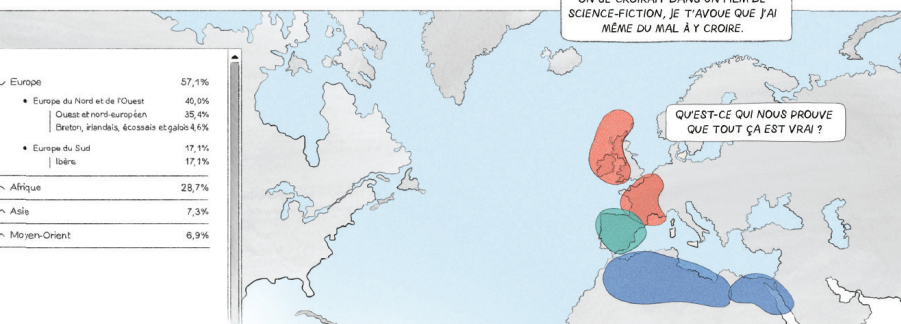


C'EST DINQUE
LA TECHNOLOGIE
QUAND MÊME...



Ethnicité Estimée

Correspondances ADN



C'EST QUOI CET ONGLET LÀ, « CORRESPONDANCES ADN » ?

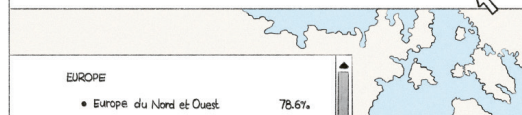
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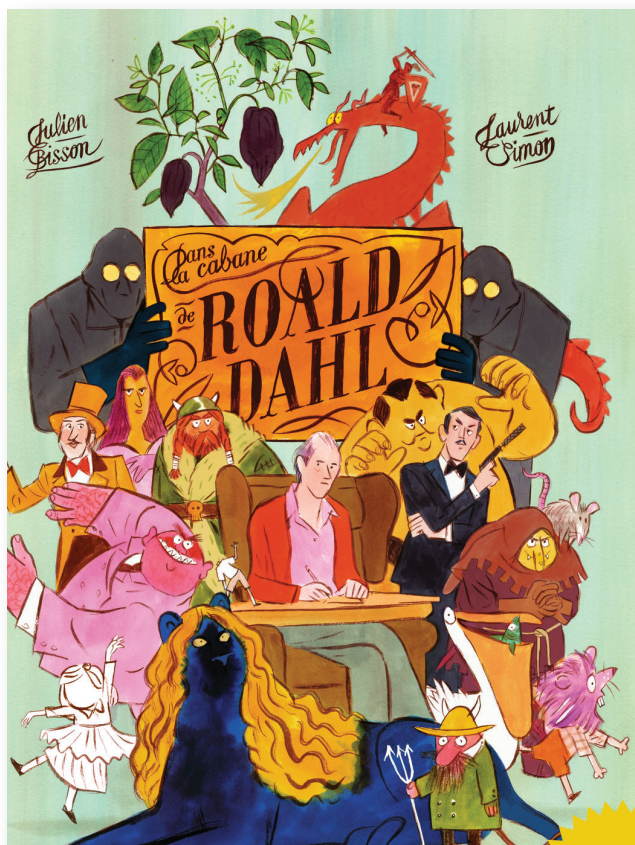
Cyprien MARCONI, Paris
40 ans, 26% d'ADN en commun.

Relation estimée :
Demi-frère



In Roald Dahl's Cabin

By Julien Bisson & Laurent Simon



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: January 2027

PAGES: 172

FORMAT: 210 X 270 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €24

KEY WORDS: BIOGRAPHY, FAMOUS AUTHOR, ADVENTURE

Everyone knows Roald Dahl's books, but few know the story of his remarkable life. A spy, fighter pilot during World War II, Hollywood screenwriter, friend of the Roosevelts and acclaimed writer, Dahl led an extraordinary life that deeply influenced his work. This graphic novel explores the connections between the man and his creations, from *Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator* to *Matilda* and *Fantastic Mr. Fox*.

Written by Roald Dahl specialist Julien Bisson, editor-in-chief of *Le 1*, and illustrated by acclaimed children's artist Laurent Simon, this book marks both authors' first venture into adult graphic novels.

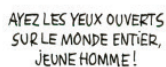
AUTHOR

Julien Bisson is a screenwriter and director. He is also the founder and director of the National School Film Festival. A recognized specialist of Roald Dahl's work, he edited the Quarto volume *Contes de l'inattendu* published by Gallimard York.

ILLUSTRATOR

Laurent Simon is a graduate illustrator and graphic designer based in Paris. Her work is influenced by film, comics, photography, and pop culture. She enjoys drawing portraits, reinterpreting film posters, and creating worlds with a strange or surreal atmosphere.

By Julien Bisson & Laurent Simon



CAR VOUS SAVEZ,
LES PLUS GRANDS
SECRETS...

...SE TROUVENT
TOUJOURS AUX ENDROITS
LES PLUS INATTENDUS!

VOUS PARLEZ
DE CES OBJETS
SUR LA TABLE,
PAR EXEMPLE ?

CETTE DRÔLE DE PIERRE
QU'EST-CE QUE C'EST ?

RACONTEZ-MOI
LEURS HISTOIRES,
ALORS!

C'EST UN OS.
LE MIEN.

LA TÊTE DE
MONFÉMUR.

ON ME L'A
RETIRÉ LORS
D'UNE OPÉRATION
DE LA HANCHE



Lebensborn

By Isabelle Maroger



5 AWARDS :

- Cheverny 2024 Historical Comics
- 2025 Literary Prize for High School Students and Apprentices of the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region
- 2025 Prix des Galons de la BD
- 2025 L'Échappée Littéraire High School Students' Prize
- 2026 Bulles & Mots High School Students' Prize

NEW EDITION

Expanded edition
with 16 pages



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: October 2026

PAGES: 240

COPIES SOLD: 27,000

FORMAT: 171 x 225 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €24

INTERNATIONAL: German, Norwegian

KEY WORDS: WW2, NAZI, FAMILY, ADOPTION

One morning, while walking with her baby son, Isabelle Maroger is approached by a woman who compliments her on her beautiful blond-haired, blue-eyed child and adds, «It's becoming a rare breed»...

A shock for Isabelle, who realizes that it's time for her to tell her story. The reason she, too, is tall, blond and blue-eyed is because she's half-Norwegian. During the war, her mother was born in a Lebensborn, the maternity wards set up by the Nazis to mass-produce little Aryans.

Isabelle will recount the investigation that enabled her mother, and therefore the whole family, to discover the secret of her birth, and all the consequences that this will entail, the intimate upheavals, the questioning, the changing relationships between children and parents.



AUTHOR-ILLUSTRATOR



Born in Montpellier in 1979 to a French father and Norwegian mother, **Isabelle Maroger** lives in Lyon. She spent her childhood doodling, began art studies and eventually entered the Émile Cohl school in Lyon. She illustrates children's books and women's magazines, creating graphic images that make you smile. For Bayard, she illustrated the *Lola* and *Fanny au poney-club* series.

Lebensborn

By Isabelle Maroger

Langlade, août 2014
chez mes parents



J'espère bien que tu lui as
répondu quelque chose,
pour la mettre face à
la teneur de son propos !



Évidemment j'ai répondu !
Je lui ai sorti que c'est avec des idées comme
ça que ma grand-mère avait accouché
dans une maternité nazie !
Que les femmes avaient un autre destin
que d'être seulement des ventres !



BAM !

Ça lui a cloué
le bec, direct !

Elle faisait pas
la maline !

Plus tard



BACKLIST

FICTION

A World So Big

By Séverine Vidal & Élodie Durand

AWARD :
2023 Pépites
Selection

Séverine Vidal Élodie Durand

UN MONDE SI GRAND



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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: April 2023

PAGES: 112

FORMAT: 210 x 270 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €20

KEY WORDS: TENDERNESS, SIBLINGS, FRIENDSHIP, HUMOR

Pëppo lives in a caravan with his sister Frida and his 13-month niece and nephew, Colette and Georges. When he's not out surfing and looking at the sea, he's helping his uncle Max run the campsite. But his life is turned upside down when his sister disappears, leaving behind her two babies.

A comic book which lightly explores, with humor and tenderness, that moment when everything changes, and life takes an unexpected and surprising turn... Based on Séverine Vidal's novel published by Bayard.



AUTHOR



Séverine Vidal writes picture books for little ones to novels for teenagers, or even comic books for kids and adults. Her work has been translated abroad, featured on the French Education reading lists, and awarded several prizes : *Prix Tatoulu* (2020), *Prix Gulli du Roman* (2017). She is published by Sarbacane, Robert Laffont, Nathan, Bayard, Gallimard, Delcourt, among others.

ILLUSTRATOR

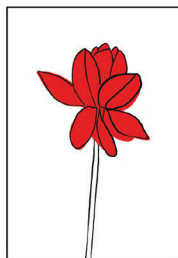


Élodie Durand is a French comic book illustrator and writer. She studied at Université Paris 8 and at the Ecole Supérieure des Arts Décoratifs in Strasbourg. She worked for the press and was published by Actes Sud, Milan, Bayard. She won several prizes such as the *Prix révélation* of the Festival of Angoulême in 2011.

By Séverine Vidal & Élodie Durand

By Séverine Vidal & Élodie Durand





My First Times

By Lucile Gomez



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: October 2023

PAGES: 96

FORMAT: 210 x 270 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €20

INTERNATIONAL: Serbian

KEY WORDS : TEENAGE, HUMOR, FRIENDSHIP, PARENTS

The passage to adulthood involves many first times, like initiation rites, with their share of trial and error, looseness and laughter. Mary-Stone can count on her parents and her best friend to help her through all these stages... But it's Mary-Stone who will grow up, organising her first party, daring to declare her love, wiping the floor with her first rake, undergoing her first gynaecological consultation, sleeping with her mates under the stars... Or experiencing her first confinement.

All these funny and tender confidences, drawn in biro, give the impression of delving into the diaries of today's teenagers.

A comic that will appeal to young adults who will look back with a nostalgic smile, to teenagers who will find support in it, and to their parents who will better understand their child who has grown up so much. The book is a revival of a series published in *Phosphore* (380,000 readers/month).

AUTHOR-ILLUSTRATOR



Lucile Gomez is a comic book author. She explores themes surrounding intimacy and the female body with humor and finesse. She published a bestselling trilogy about pregnancy and motherhood (*La Naissance en BD*, nearly 62,000 copies sold). Lucile Gomez loves exploring, experimenting and, surprising readers in both form and content.

My First Times

By Lucile Gomez





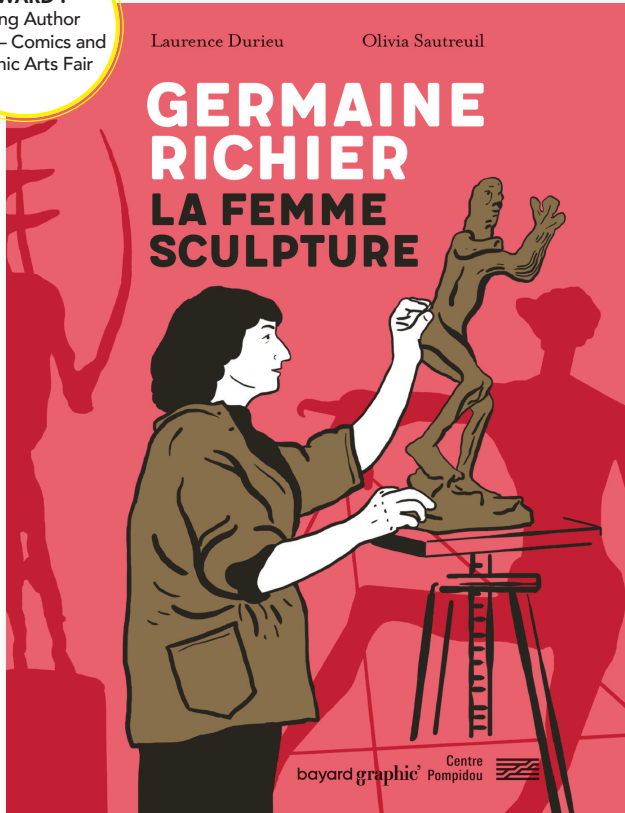
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NON-FICTION

Germaine Richier, the Sculptural Woman

By Laurence Durieu & Olivia Sautreuil

AWARD :
Young Author
Award – Comics and
Graphic Arts Fair



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: March 2023

PAGES: 180

FORMAT: 210 x 270 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €25

KEY WORDS: SCULPTOR, ART, 20TH CENTURY

Rediscover the sculptor Germaine Richier, a pioneering artist, major figure in modern art and Bourdelle's final apprentice, whose work is particularly relevant today (hybridity, fusion of man and nature). This book, illustrated by Olivia Sautreuil (Le feuilletton d'Artémis), accompanies the Germaine Richier retrospective exhibition at Beaubourg, in partnership with the Centre Pompidou in Paris, and traces the artist's bright career path and powerful imagination throughout the 20th century.



AUTHOR



Laurence Durieu, Germaine Richier's great niece, is a journalist who has been working on archives, interviews and texts about the artist since 2007. She has partnered with major national and international museums to promote Richier's work. A retrospective exhibition will be held at the Centre Pompidou in Paris in March 2023, before moving to the Musée Fabre in Montpellier over the summer.

ILLUSTRATOR



Olivia Sautreuil is a graphic designer and illustrator for the press and publishing (Milan, Gallimard Jeunesse, etc.). She has illustrated several books published by Bayard, including *Artemis* from the "*Feuilletons de la Mythologie*" series, a non-fiction novel about Thor, or *Bestioles*, a picture book for little ones.

Germaine Richier, the Sculptural Woman

By Laurence Durieu & Olivia Sautreuil



NOVEMBRE 1928.

On se retrouve bien à la gare du Nord, demain matin ?

C'est la première fois
que je vais en Belgique !

Des sculptures, des bustes, des monuments,
des bas-reliefs. Il y aura plus de 200 œuvres du maître
réunies pour l'inauguration du Palais des Beaux-Arts !

Tiens, ton billet de train, mon rossignol, tu n'es pas riche.
Et puis, je veux que tu abandonnes ton petit boulot
pour devenir praticienne à l'atelier...

Merci !

C'est bien que tu puisses
venir avec nous à Bruxelles.

Je ne pourrais pas être
plus heureuse, Otto.

If You Want a Life, Steal It!

Lou Andreas Salomé

By Séverine Vidal & Olivia Sautreuil



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: January 2026

RETAIL PRICE: €25

PAGES: 224

FORMAT: 216 X 278

COPIES SOLD: 4,500

KEY WORDS : PSYCHOANALYSIS, WOMAN, FREEDOM

Complex, generous, narcissistic, free, incandescent, annoying, a lecturer, powerful, lively and funny. If you're looking for something lukewarm, pale and bland, you'll have to pass! Lou Andreas Salomé was the first female psychoanalyst in history. She analysed Sigmund Freud's own daughter, with whom she kept up a fascinating correspondence. She developed the notion of positive egocentrism. The common thread running through her life.

A philosopher who made a great contribution to Nietzsche, with whom she had a three-way love affair. With the thinker Paul Rée, they had a fruitful love affair, a communion of the spirit in which she refused all sexuality.

AUTHOR



Séverine Vidal writes picture books for little ones to novels for teenagers, or even comic books for kids and adults. Her work has been translated abroad, featured on the French Education reading lists, and awarded several prizes : *Prix Tatoulu* (2020), *Prix Gulli du Roman* (2017). She is published by Sarbacane, Robert Laffont, Nathan, Bayard, Gallimard, Delcourt, among others.

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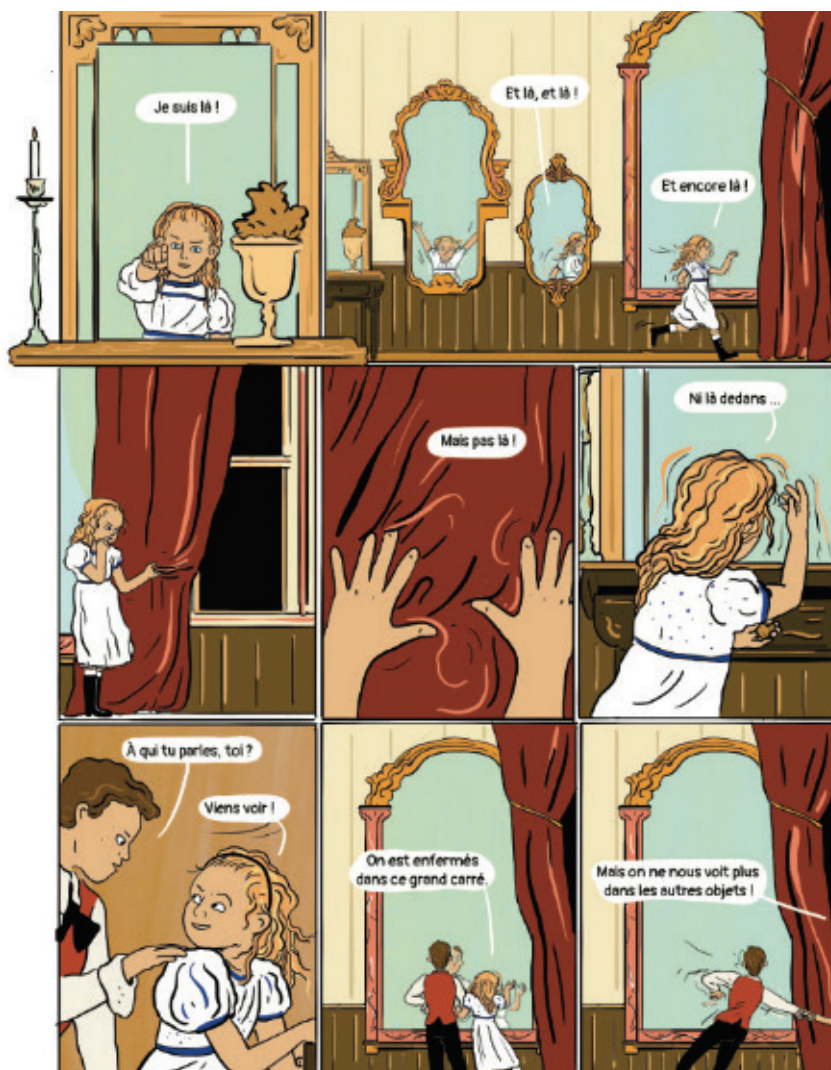


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If You Want a Life, Steal It!

Lou Andreas Salomé

By Séverine Vidal & Olivia Sautreuil





The Ghosts of Freta Street

By Jérémie Dres

With the support
of the Foundation
for the Memory of
the Shoah

Author of the
famous « Nous
n'irons pas voir
Auschwitz »



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: August 2025

PAGES: 384

FORMAT: 195 x 260 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €29.95

KEY WORDS : HISTORY, FAMILY, WORLD WAR II

A postcard, an address, and a few memories from his great-aunt: the starting point of a family investigation in the Warsaw Ghetto, a personal and historical quest that turns the story of Jérémie Drès into our collective history.

Freta Street: a street in the Warsaw Ghetto, the ghosts who lived there: a scattered sibling group (the author's grandmother's), those who remained, those who went elsewhere in Europe or farther. Through postcards, letters, addresses, and photos, Jérémie reconstructs and recounts the condition of Jews in the 20th century, the impossible choices they faced, and the various dangers that lay in their path.

With this intimate investigation, he allows us to see, hear, and feel life in the Warsaw Ghetto, what Ashkenazi culture was, and the choices families had to make in an increasingly harsh daily life.

Carried out with rhythm and curiosity, this quest also introduces us to those who keep the memory of the Shoah alive today, at the Jewish Historical Institute in Warsaw, the Shoah Memorial in Paris, Yad Vashem in Israel, or the Ellis Island Archives Department in New York... The book also received support from the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah.

A necessary work. A duty of remembrance that continues for new generations.

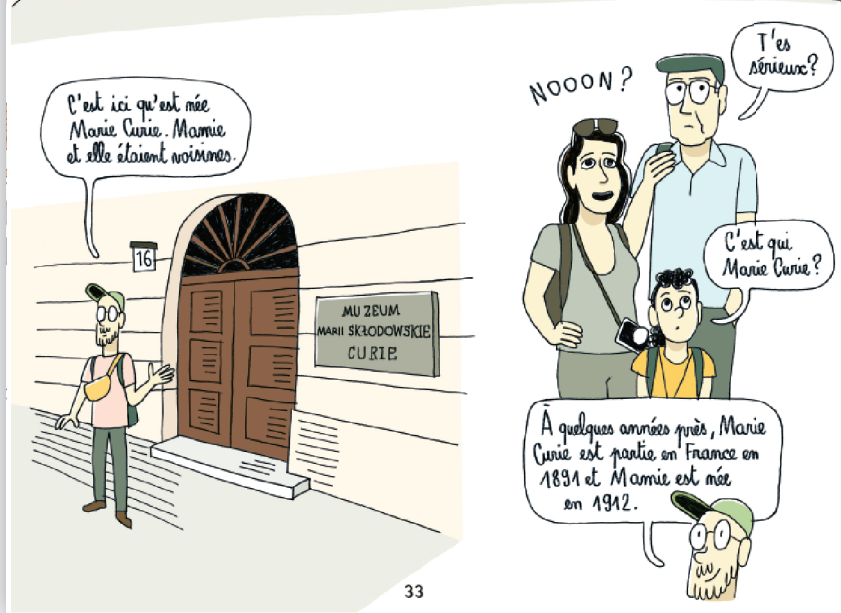
AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR

Jérémie Dres studied visual didactics for three years at the Strasbourg School of Decorative Arts. Since 2007, he has worked as a freelancer in the fields of multimedia, graphic design, and illustration. In addition to his comic book projects, Jérémie Dres works in the field of Digital Art through installations and performances. He notably exhibited in 2010 at the «Digital Art Today» festival at Le Cube and at the Nuit Blanche in Metz. Jérémie Dres set out with his brother to trace the steps of their grandmother, a Jewish woman from Warsaw.

The Ghosts of Freta Street

By Jérémie Dres





Music Queens

By Leslie Plée, Rebecca Manzoni & Émilie Valentin

AWARD :
2024 Teen
Readers' Prize –
Deauville Books &
Music Festival

REBECCA MANZONI ÉMILIE VALENTIN LESLIE PLÉE

MUSIC QUEENS

UNE HISTOIRE DU GIRL POWER
ET DE LA POP... EN CHANSONS !



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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: May 2023

PAGES: 160

FORMAT: 170 x 225 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €19,50

INTERNATIONAL: Spanish

KEY WORDS : MUSIC, WOMEN

10 songs, 10 singers, 10 eras: each episode presents the historical context in which the song was written, its importance in the singer's life and why and how it changed society. From Janis Joplin to Beyoncé or Madonna... A selection of emblematic female artists, combining girl power and musical pop.



AUTHORS



After graduating from Estienne, **Leslie Plée** became a bookseller before starting a blog about her life in gag cartoons. Pénélope Bagieu suggested that she turn it into a comic book, *Moi vivant, vous n'aurez jamais de pauses*. She has since written or illustrated more than a dozen comic books.



Rebecca Manzoni is a journalist, music critic and radio producer. She regularly works for Arte and is mainly known as a radio host on France Inter. She presents *Tubes & Co* and *Pop'n'Co* every week, where she talks about music in all its forms with a great deal of humor and panache.

ILLUSTRATOR



Émilie Valentin is an independent journalist, screenwriter and author. She produced the documentary "*Sculptrices, ni muses, ni modèles*" for Arte and adapted Pénélope Bagieu's comic book, *Culottées*, into an animated series for France Télévisions.

Music Queens

By Leslie Plée, Rebecca Manzoni & Émilie Valentin

UN INVENTAIRE EN DEUX TEMPS
QUI RACONTE TOUT D'ABORD
TOUT CE QUE LES NOIRS N'ONT PAS :

"L'ACCÈS À L'ÉDUCATION,
UN SALAIRE ÉGAL
À CELUI DES BLANCS,
UN LOGEMENT..."

AIN'T GOT
NO HOME
AIN'T GOT
NO SHOES

A Black woman with short dark hair, wearing a red sleeveless dress and large gold hoop earrings, is sitting on a piano keyboard. She is holding a microphone in her right hand. The piano keys are black and white, and the keyboard is curved.

MAIS AUSSI CE QU'ILS ONT :
"LEUR CORPS, LEUR ÂME,
LEUR LIBERTÉ."
LA COLÈRE A LAISSÉ PLACE
À LA FIERTÉ, LA FIERTÉ D'EXISTER,
ENVERS ET CONTRE TOUT.

I GOT MY HAIR
ON MY HEAD
I GOT MY BRAINS
I GOT MY EARS.

A Black woman with short dark hair, wearing a red sleeveless dress and large gold hoop earrings, is standing on a piano keyboard. She is holding a microphone in her right hand and has her left hand on her head. The piano keys are black and white, and the keyboard is curved.



NOUS, LES NOIRS, SOMMES
LES CRÉATURES LES PLUS BELLES
DE LA CRÉATION.

ÊTRE NOIR ET ÊTRE UNE FEMME,
C'EST UN COMBAT AU CARRÉ.

L'ÉNUMÉRATION DE NINA SIMONE
EST UNE AFFIRMATION DE SON IDENTITÉ.
UNE FEMME NOIRE, AMÉRICAINE, ET FIÈRE.



FREE OUR
SISTERS
FREE
OUR
SELF ♀

WOMEN'S
LIBERATION

My Life as a Parent

By Gwénaëlle Boulet & Frédéric Benaglia



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: October 2025

PAGES: 150

COPIES SOLD: 8,000

FORMAT: 195 x 260 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €23

KEY WORDS : PARENTING, HUMOR

Here, Gwénaëlle Boulet adapts her radio chronicles into a graphic novel with verve, humor, and sarcasm, illustrated by Frédéric Benaglia. Together in real life, the duo shares their parenting experience without taboos and with plenty of freshness.

A dozen chapters cover all the stages of parenthood, from pregnancy to teenage years, from homework to Wednesday activities.

We recognize ourselves, we laugh at them, at us, we introspect... to help parents raise their children better!

AUTHOR

Gwénaëlle Boulet is the editor-in-chief of Pomme d'Api, after having worked at Phosphore and Astrapi. She writes children's picture books and novels. She is the author of many children's books, including *Je me débrouille tout seul !*, *J'ai confiance en moi !*, *Le petit livre pour dire stop aux violences sexuelles*, *Les trois étoiles*, *L'impeccable toutou d'Hubert Falabrak...* She also hosts the «Ma vie de parent» (My Parenting Life) segment on France Inter.

ILLUSTRATOR

Frédéric Benaglia is the artistic director of *Mes premiers J'aime lire*, *J'aime lire*, *DLire*, and *Je Bouquine*. The books he has illustrated are published by Albin Michel, Tourbillon, Nathan, Actes Sud Junior, and Bayard Jeunesse. Other works by the same illustrator in Bayard Poche include: *Minouche et le lion*, *Les apprentis sorciers*, *La série Lili Barouf* (*Mes premiers J'aime lire*), *Le concours*, *Alerte : Poule en panne!* (*J'aime lire*).

My Life as a Parent

By Gwénaëlle Boulet & Frédéric Benaglia

Avant, je croyais qu'une mariâtre, ça ressemblait forcément :

à ça :



ou à ça :



ou ou contraire à ça :



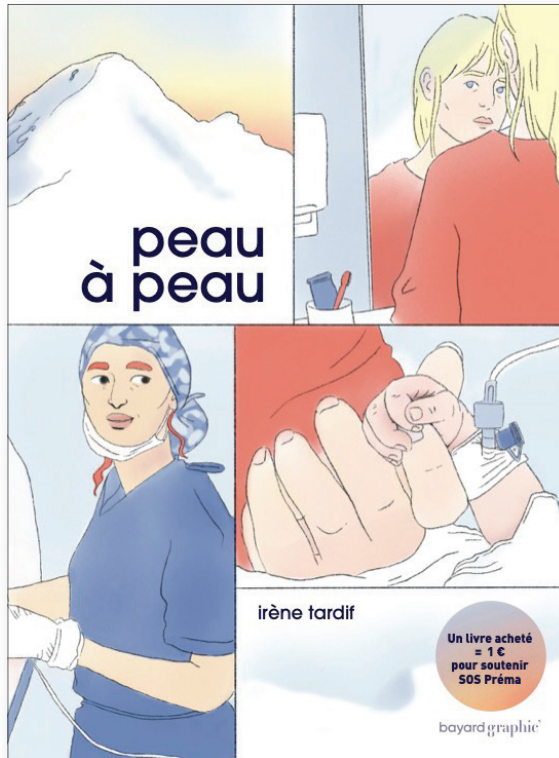
Et puis un jour, ça m'est tombé dessus.





Skin to Skin

By Irène Tardif



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: March 2026

PAGES: 232

FORMAT: 195 X 260

RETAIL PRICE: €23

KEY WORDS : PARENTING, PREMATURE BIRTH

A profoundly honest and moving narrative about the arrival of an extremely premature baby and the battle that follows—for her life, for the couple, and for a new sense of self as parents. At just six months pregnant, Héloïse suddenly goes into labor: an ambulance in the middle of the night, beeping machines, a husband in shock, medical teams fighting minute by minute, and the fragile heartbeat of a tiny girl who may not survive.

Told through two intersecting perspectives—a woman becoming a mother in brutal, accelerated circumstances, and a healthcare assistant navigating the relentless rhythm of the neonatal unit while raising her own family—this story offers a rare, intimate look inside a NICU. It explores the loneliness of parents, the misunderstandings with loved ones, the reinvention of the couple, and the invisible emotional toll on caregivers.

Adapted from Héloïse des Monstiers' acclaimed memoir *Peau à Peau* (Buche-Chastel), this is a powerful, relatable testimony about extreme prematurity, resilience, and the fragile beginnings of life.

Praise for the original book

"A wonderful, deeply moving book that will help many people." — La Maison des Maternelles, France 2

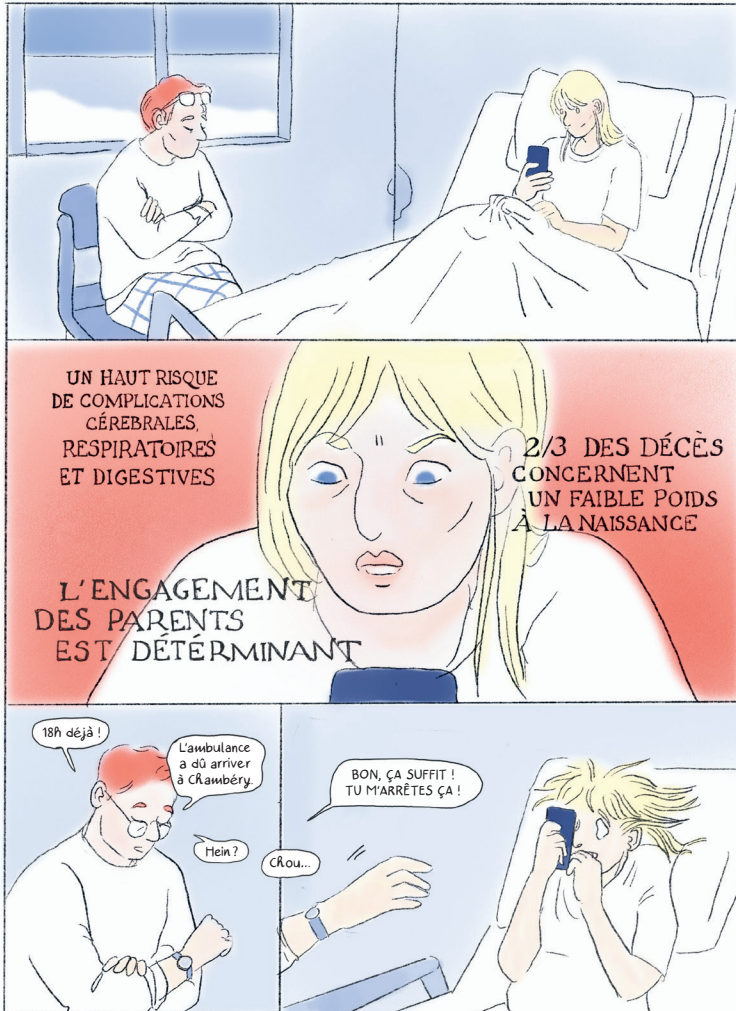
"A powerful, unfiltered testimony." — Elle Magazine

ILLUSTRATOR

After spending years sketching the shifting moods of Malmousque's rocky coastline—using her colored pencils to explore every shade of melancholy—**Irène Tardif** settled in Brussels, where she created her debut graphic novel. This first work carries the full emotional depth of her artistic journey: atmospheric, intimate, and visually striking. It introduces a fresh new voice in contemporary graphic storytelling, blending poetic sensitivity with a distinctive illustrative style that is already drawing attention.

Skin to Skin

By Irène Tardif





The Summer I Turned 17

By various artists



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: May 2023

PAGES: 120

FORMAT: 210 x 270 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €22

KEY WORDS : BIOGRAPHY, HUMOR, LEARNING

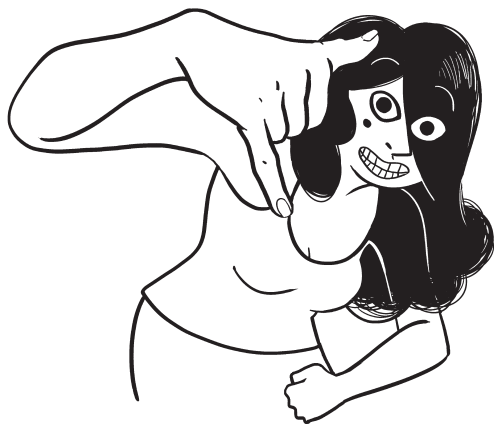
Adapted from a series published for several years in *Phosphore* magazine (380,000 readers each month).

14 major contemporary authors share stories about their last summer before adulthood. Disastrous vacations with friends or family abroad, discovering love and sexuality, summer jobs, illnesses, waiting for universities' responses.... Their tales that are sometimes sad, often funny and always touching.



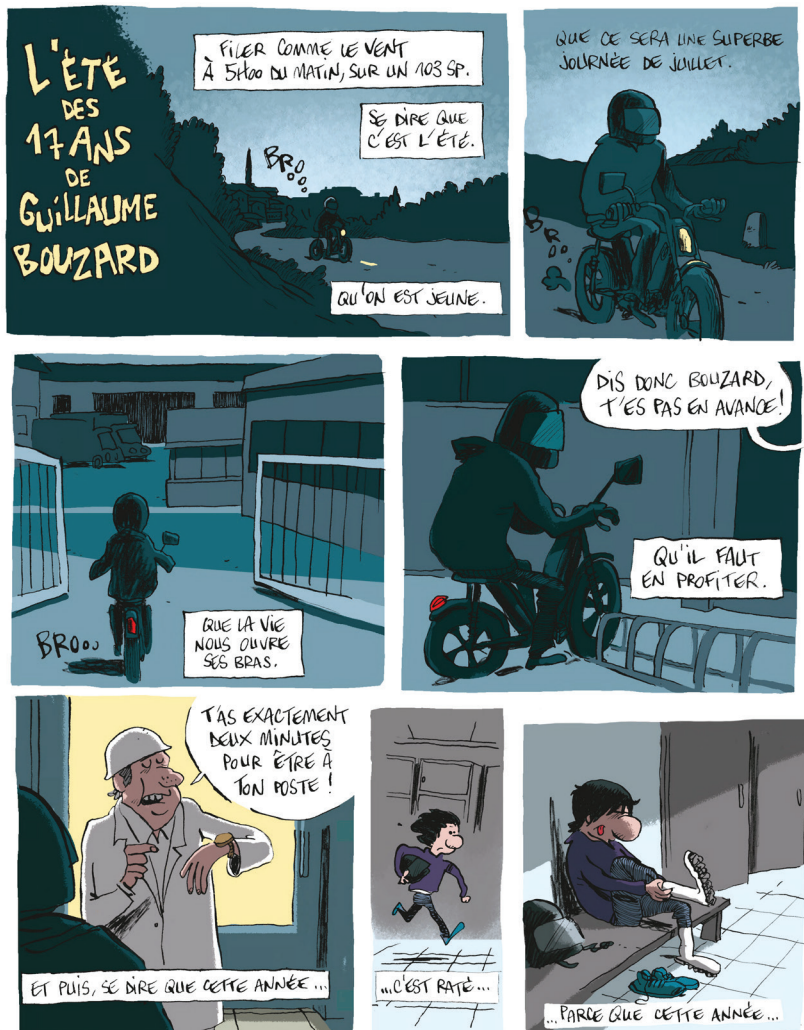
AUTHORS-ILLUSTRATORS

Discover the stories of **Bouzard, Kim Consigny, Fabrice Erre, Claire Fauvel, Alix Garin, Lucile Gomez, Jul, Guillaume Long, Lisa Mandel, Élisà Maraudino, Leslie Plée, Poche, Rudy Spiessert, Lewis Trondheim.**



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...JE PASSE MON ÉTÉ DANS UN AISATEUR.



ALORS BOUZARD,
T'AS EU UNE
PANNE D'OREILLER ?

C'EST LE SEUL JOB SAISONNIER QUE
J'AI RÉUSSI À DÉGOTTER.



HEY BOUZARD,
T'ES PAS AU LYCÉE !

DÉPÊCHE-TOI
UN PEU !!!

Ouais
Ouais !
J'y vais !



QUAND JE PENSE QUE LES POTES VENDENT
DES CHICHIS SUR L'ÎLE D'OLÉRON !

AU MOINS, J'AURAI PAS DE COUPS DE SOLEIL...



HUIT HEURES PAR JOUR
SUR LA CHAÎNE MOUTONS
À CROISER LES GIGOTS.

J'AI JAMAIS EU LA CURIOSITÉ
DE DEMANDER POURQUOI
IL FALLAIT CROISER LES GIGOTS.



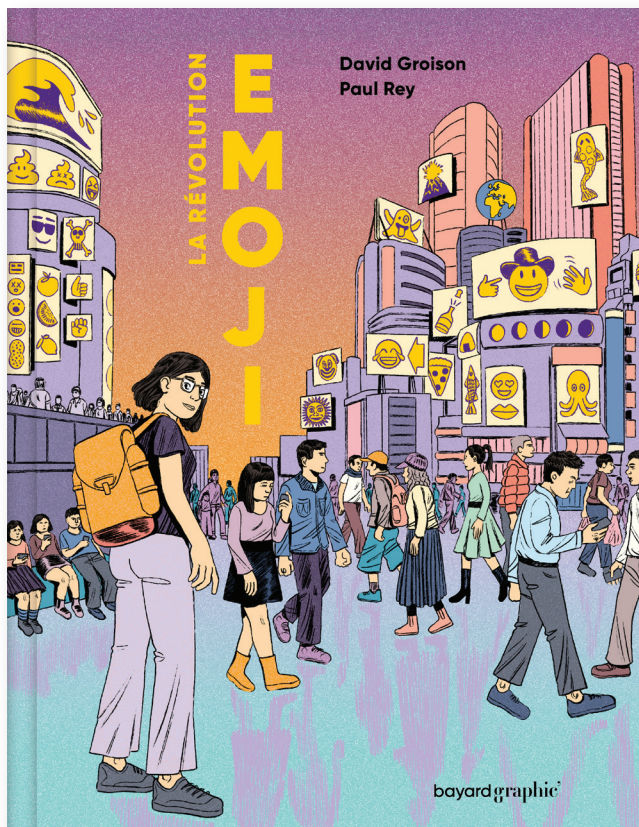
LE CHEF M'A DIT : " TOI, TU AS
UNE TÊTE À CROISER LES GIGOTS ! "

"CHIC !" AI-JE RÉPONDU.

JE CROIS QUE C'EST LÀ QUE
J'AI COMMENCÉ À L'ÉNERVER.

The Emoji Revolution

By David Groison & Paul Rey



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: April 2024

PAGES: 160

FORMAT: 210 x 270 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €23

INTERNATIONAL: Spanish, Vietnamese

KEY WORDS : TELEPHONE, JAPAN, TECHNOLOGY

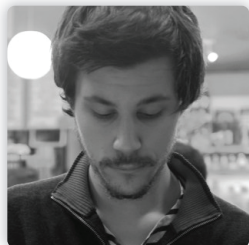
Every day, millions of emojis are shared around the world. A young journalist realizes that her phone has a gas pump emoji, a nuclear power plant emoji and an oil barrel emoji, but no wind-mill emoji. She starts investigating: who decides which emojis accompany us in our daily lives? She meets the Japanese creator of the first emojis, the American intern who drew the most popular icons, a lawyer specializing in emoji (can you go to prison if you send a pistol emoji?), an Egyptologist who compares hieroglyphics and emojis... And retraces the global history of a phenomenon. The first comic-book investigation into emojis, their history and trade secrets shows a pop, light-hearted universe, revealing some very topical questions: are images really universal? Can GAFAM alone decide how we exchange?

AUTHOR



David Groison directed Bayard's teen press for ten years, and produced several books on the decoding of images and photos for Actes Sud Jeunesse.

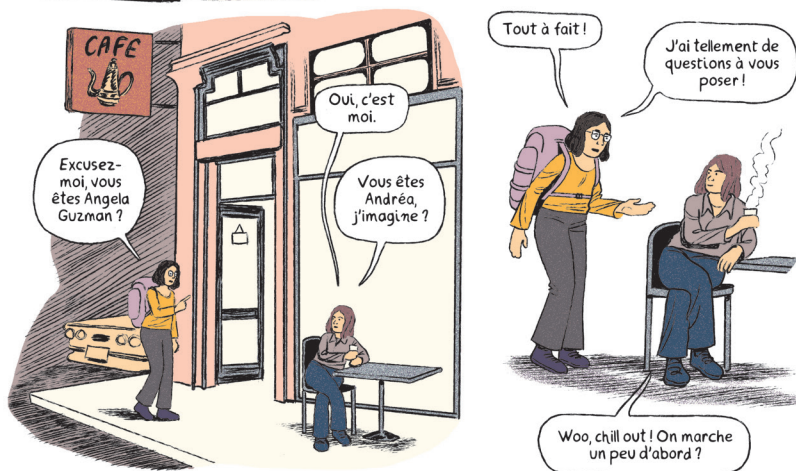
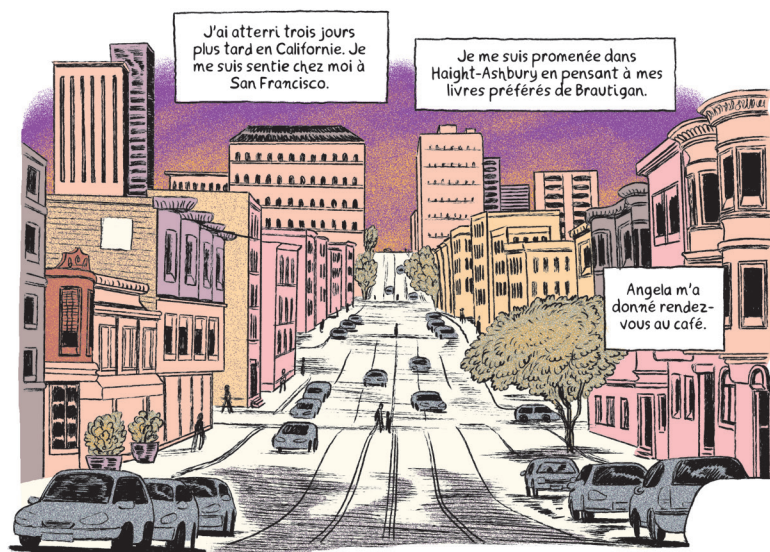
ILLUSTRATOR



Paul Rey studied at the Beaux-Arts in Angoulême. He has published two graphic novels with Sarbacane, including *Syndrôme de l'iceberg*, which explores the place of the virtual and artificial intelligence in our lives.

The Emoji Revolution

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L'été 2008, j'ai
fait un stage
chez Apple.

J'étais jeune
graphiste, je
voulais prouver
ma valeur !



Vous aviez quel âge
cet été-là ?

À un peu près
comme toi, j'avais
une vingtaine
d'années.



Je découvrais tout ! La
première semaine, j'ai
repéré le trajet à vélo.

J'habitais à
5 kilomètres
seulement du
siège d'Apple,
à Cupertino.

À tous les
coups, je me
suis plantée
de route...

Anatomy of a Police Station

By Mikael Corre & Bouqué



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: January 2025

PAGES: 150

FORMAT: 195 x 260 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €23

KEY WORDS : SOCIETY, POLICE

A journalist recounts the life of the police, from jails to chases, to understand the police we have, rather than the police we'd like to see.

A year of immersion in a French police station, by journalist Mikael Corre. How does police custody work? What is the state of jails for people arrested drunk? What can the police do about drug trafficking? What roles do a lack of training (initial or ongoing), resources, social deprivation, inappropriate procedures and our contradictory expectations play in police dysfunction? Journalist Mikael Corre and cartoonist Bouqué give us a chance to see and hear what the police are like daily. It's an account of the situation in France, but it's not the only one as other countries will also be able to relate to it. A comic-book investigation that is bound to change the way you look at the police.

This ambitious journalistic investigation won the Prix Or and Prix spécial de Stratégies in the best investigation category, and the Prix Relay for best investigation. Central has already become a book, published by Bayard Récits.

AUTHOR

Mikael Corre is an award-winning reporter for La Croix and known for his investigations filled with humanity.

ILLUSTRATOR

Bouqué is an artistic director in children's publishing. For a long time, he copied the cowboys and rockerstars from his favourite books, and then illustrated two comic strips, published by Steinkis, with Romain Dutter: *Symphonie carcérale* and *Goodbye Ceausescu*.

Anatomy of a Police Station

By Mikael Corre & Bouqué





Wax Paradoxe

By Justine Sow

AWARD :
Golden
Afro Artistic –
Literature Prize

Justine Sow

WAX
PARADOXE



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: February 2025

PAGES: 128

COPIES SOLD: 8,600

FORMAT: 210 x 270 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €22

KEY WORDS : COLONIAL HISTORY, FASHION, MIXED RACE

A young woman of mixed race investigates the origins and rise of wax on the African continent. She finds a moving echo to her own personal story.

An exploration of the fabric from every angle: historical, technical, economic, artistic, political and sociological. The first comic-book investigation into a fabric that has captured the hearts of Africans and the diaspora. A reflection on identity through the character of a young mixed-race student who reflects on her African identity, racism and the colonial past by making links with the history of wax.

Sophia is a student at a fashion school. The subject of her dissertation is compulsory: she has to study wax. The young mixed-race girl was reluctant to go, but by working in a fabric shop, visiting the factories of the great Dutch manufacturer Vlisco, listening to the confidences of African women and discovering the meaning of the wax patterns given to her by her father, she discovered the richness of this fabric that weaves links between Africa, Europe and Asia. She also touches on the paradoxes of a fabric born of colonisation that has become a source of pride and recognition for the entire African continent. Like an echo of her own personal story, and her quest for identity. In parallel with a major exhibition on Wax at the Musée de l'Homme in Paris.

AUTHOR-ILLUSTRATOR

Justine Sow is a journalist for Belgian television and a graduate of the Saint Luc School in Brussels, specializing in comics. Wax is her first album published as both a writer and illustrator.

Wax Paradoxe

By Justine Sow

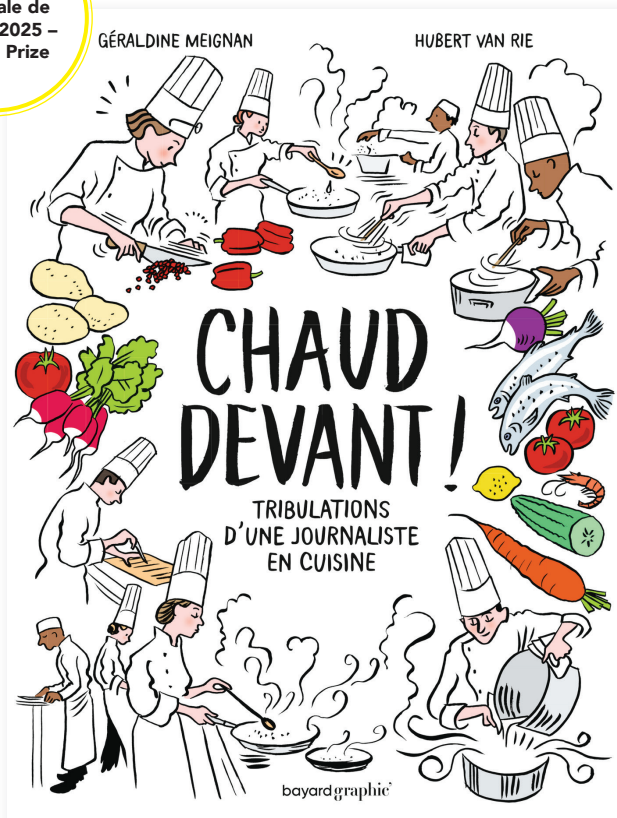




Behind the Kitchen Doors

By Géraldine Meignan and Hubert Van Rie

AWARD :
Académie
Nationale de
Cuisine 2025 –
Comics Prize



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: June 2025

PAGES: 156

FORMAT: 195 x 260 mm

RETAIL PRICE: €23

KEY WORDS : COOKING, GASTRONOMY

A journalist humorously captures the behind-the-scenes of the restaurant world.

The first graphic novel by a seasoned reporter, Géraldine Meignan, and a talented illustrator, Hubert Van Rie.

The tribulations of an apprentice cook. Géraldine feels like she has explored all aspects of journalism, so she decides to take her culinary diploma. She takes on internships and assignments, discovering the backstage world, the inner workings of brasseries, restaurant shops, hipster barges, and Parisian palaces.

She recounts all the challenges of the restaurant world and humorously presents them to us: food waste, sexism, military organization, the rise of new actors in the startup nation...

To whet our appetites, recipes are sprinkled throughout the story: the fish soup of a brasserie, the asparagus risotto at Causse, the tarama from a hipster barge, the attiéké salad with Refugee Food...

AUTHOR

Géraldine Meignan is an independent journalist, former senior reporter at L'Expansion and L'Express. She has investigated the agro-food industry and turned her findings into a book, *Les Réseaux de la malbouffe* (JC Lattès, 2015). She then left her newspaper job to earn a CAP in cooking and venture into the restaurant world. *Chaud Devant!* is her first graphic novel.

ILLUSTRATOR

Hubert Van Rie graduated from the Paris School of Decorative Arts. He is an art director in publishing and also works as an illustrator. He is the author of *Les Bons Mots de l'Histoire* (Robert Laffont). In 2022, he covered the Presidential Election and compiled his drawings and observations into *Le Bon air de la Campagne* (Presses de la Cité).

Behind the Kitchen Doors

By Géraldine Meignan and Hubert Van Rie

PREMIER TP DANS LES CUISINES D'APPLICATION.
ON VA METTRE LA MAIN À LA PÂTE.

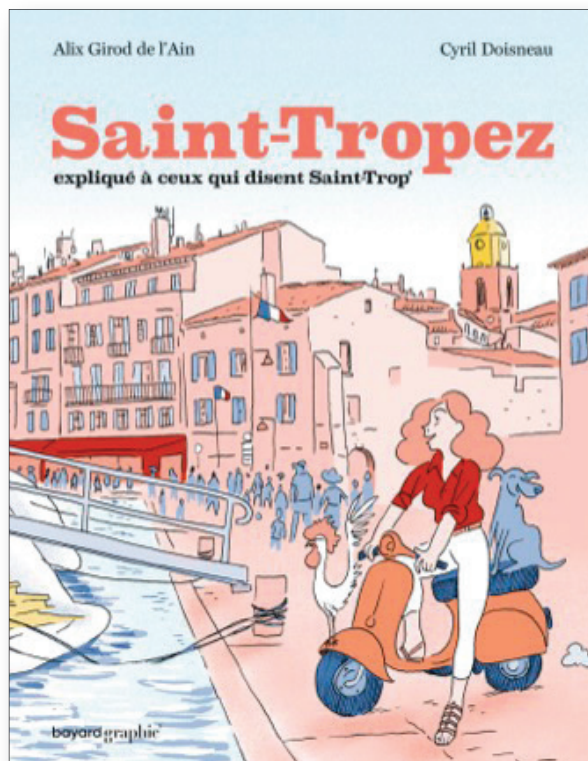


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Saint-Tropez

By Alix Girod de l'Ain & Cyril Doisneau



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: April 2026

PAGES: 180

COPIES SOLD: 3,000

FORMAT: 210 X 270

RETAIL PRICE: €23

KEY WORDS : MYTHS, AUTHENTICITY

France's most famous village is also one of its most misunderstood.

In this sharp, humorous portrait, renowned ELLE journalist Alix Girod de l'Ain dismantles the clichés surrounding Saint-Tropez and reveals the vibrant, authentic village behind the legend.

She revisits the myths she has heard since childhood—about wealth, crowds, glamour, and “bling-bling”—showing which are true, which are false, and why the reality is far more nuanced and charming. Even the surprise people express when she says she vacations there says more about Saint-Tropez's image than the place itself.

With wit, warmth, and keen insight, Girod de l'Ain offers a fresh, irresistible look at a destination everyone thinks they know—but very few truly understand.

AUTHOR

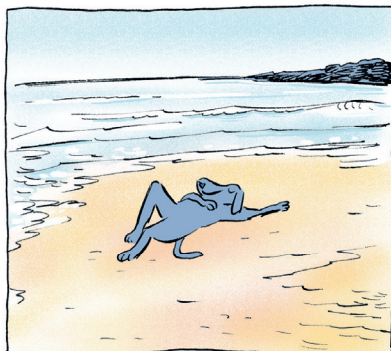
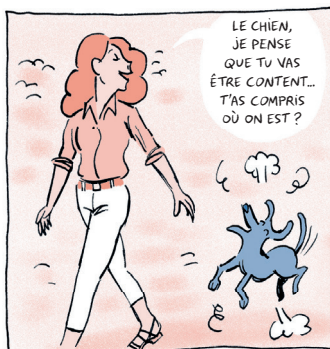
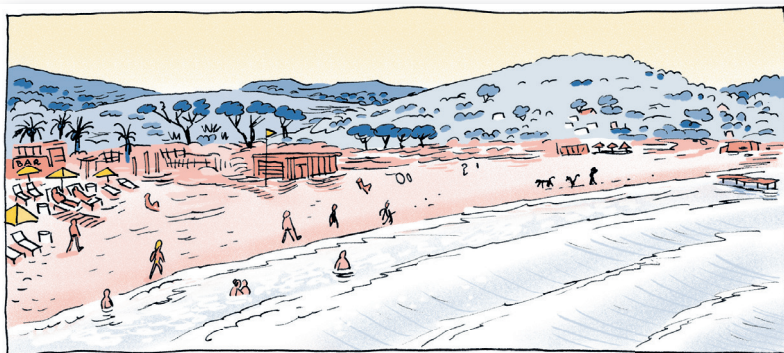
Alix Girod de l'Ain is a French writer, journalist and screenwriter. Since 1997, she has been one of the writers for «Elle» magazine, for which she writes sparkling columns and delivers funny and lighthearted advice to readers, under the pseudonym «Docteur Aga».

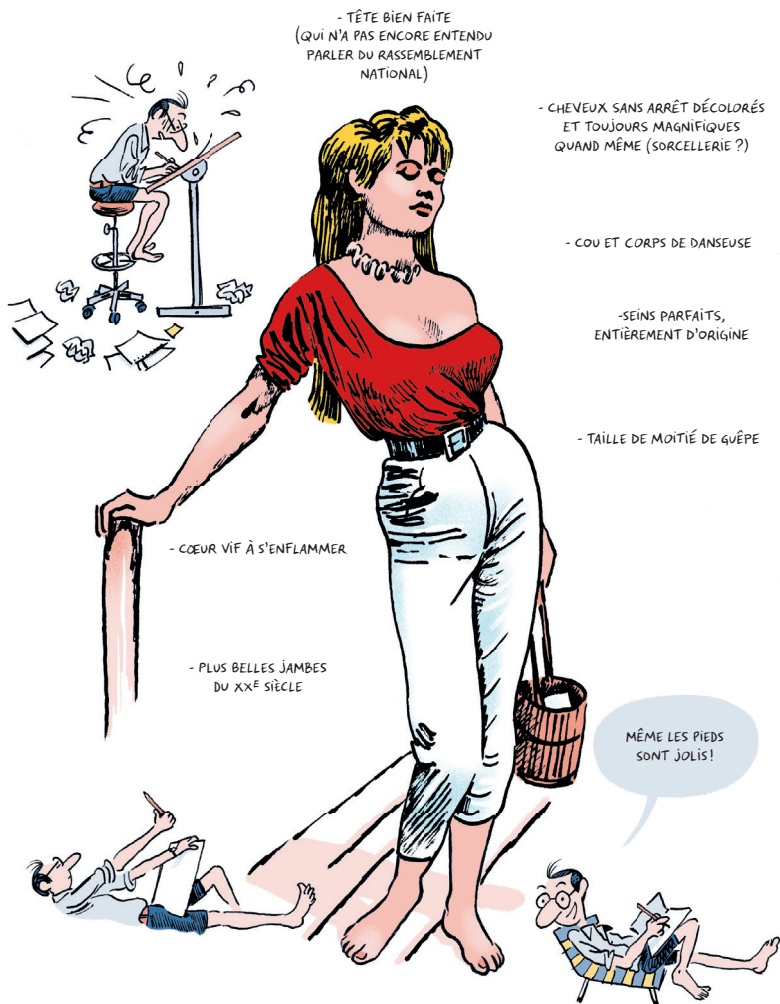
ILLUSTRATOR

Cyril Doisneau is a French cartoonist and graphic novelist trained in Nantes and at the École des Beaux-Arts in Angoulême, where he received the Young Talent Award at the Angoulême International Comics Festival in 2002. A regular contributor to the Dopotutto collective (Misma), he has published several books with La Pastèque and frequently illustrates for magazines. His 2016 book *Carnets de bouffe* offers a lively graphic tour of Montréal and Québec's restaurant scene. Originally from France, he has lived and worked in Montréal since 2006.

Saint-Tropez

By Alix Girod de l'Ain & Cyril Doisneau





By Juliette Boutant

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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PUB DATE: May 2026

PAGES: 164

FORMAT: 195 X 260

RETAIL PRICE: €22

KEY WORDS : DATING, RELATIONSHIPS, FEMINISM

Love in Beta is a sharp, irresistibly funny work of autofiction that first appeared as a webcomic on Instagram—where its early episodes quickly went viral.

With wit, honesty, and a wonderfully self-deprecating sense of humor, Juliette shares what attracts her to the guys she meets on dating apps... and what she thinks draws them to her. Beneath the hilarious mishaps, unexpected twists, and cartoonishly absurd (yet entirely true!) situations lies a fresh, deeply feminist perspective—never moralizing, always insightful.

Juliette Boutant, co-creator with Thomas Mathieu of *The Crocodile Project*—a groundbreaking comic about street harassment—offers here a spirited look at modern romantic dynamics and the emotional codes shaping relationships today.

From pick-me girls to incels, love bombing, manipulation, ghosting, and role-playing, *Love in Beta* is both entertaining and thought-provoking. This is a book that captures the new language of love with intelligence, heart, and sharp cultural awareness.

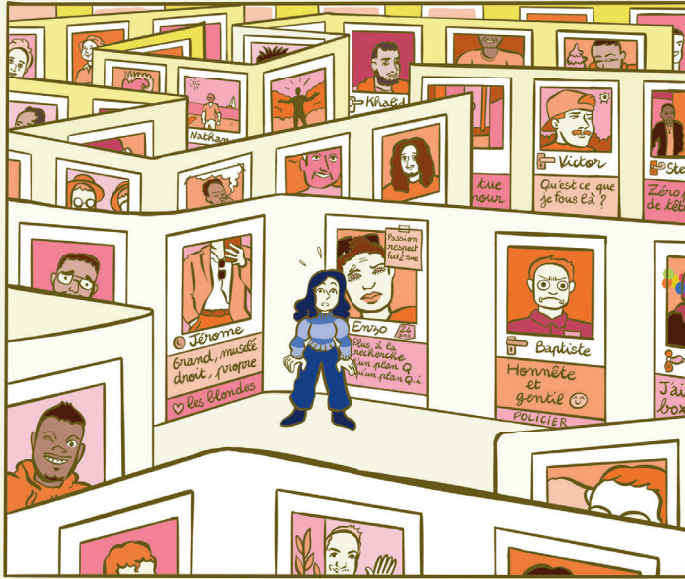
A bold, funny, and feminist graphic narrative for anyone trying to decode what dating has become.

AUTHOR-ILLUSTRATOR

Juliette Boutant is 33 years old. She is the co-author, with Thomas Mathieu, of «Projet Crocodiles,» a pioneering graphic novel about street harassment. Juliette Boutant is a comic book author and illustrator who divides her time between Angoulême and Brussels. Drawing on over 15 years of mediocre relationships with men and extensive field research on dating apps, she brings a poetic and committed perspective to the sometimes gritty realities of life.

What Is Seduced

By Juliette Boutant



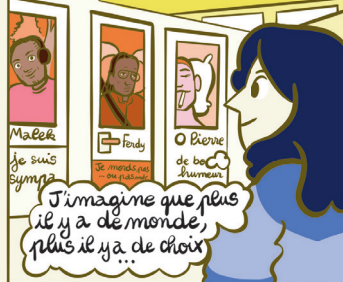
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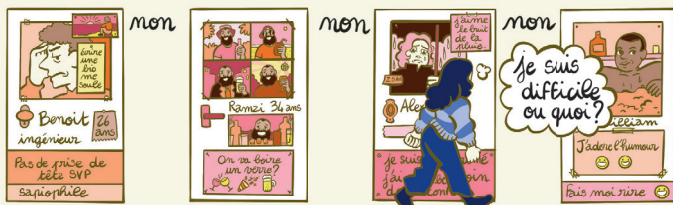


à quel point nous étions nombreux



à errer dans ces couloirs.





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