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Steffen Kverneland

MUNCH



An extraordinary and inventive graphic biography, Steffen Kverneland's *Munch* explores the relationships and obsessions that drove the artist behind 'The Scream'. Using text drawn from the writings of Edvard Munch and his contemporaries, this extensively researched and beautifully drawn graphic novel debunks the familiar myth of the half-mad expressionist painter – anguished, starving and ill-treated – to reveal the artist's neglected sense of humor and optimism. Born out of a life-long fascination with all things Munch, Kverneland's award-winning seven-year project is the funniest and most entertaining portrait yet of a complex man and a pioneering artist. (presentation by SelfMadeHero for UK edition)

"Munch is a dazzling use of sequential storytelling ... Rarely have I read a more entertaining biography." *Cynthia Rose, The Comics Journal*

"Steffen Kverneland's graphic biography of Edvard Munch is astounding. Kverneland's energy, passion, knowledge, and drive fly off every page, holding us spellbound within the book."

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Steffen Kverneland

Steffen Kverneland (b. 1963) is one of the leading comic book artists in Norway. His works include multiple awardwinning *Olaf G.* and the series Kanon in collaboration with Lars Fiske.

For *Munch* he was awarded several prizes in Norway and abroad, among them The Ministry of Culture's Comic Book Prize and The Brage Prize in the category nonfiction



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