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Stian Hole

Anna's Heaven

On a day in which everything aches and spikes fall from the skies, Anna turns the world on its head. She takes her daddy on a fantastic journey all the way to the bottom of the sky where the invisible ones live. Daddy is careworn and quiet, and Anna helps both herself and her daddy through the most difficult of days.

Anna's Heaven is an exceptionally beautiful book about overcoming grief, succeeding in this without becoming an overly sad or sentimental tale.

Stian Hole is one of our foremost picture book artists, and *Anna's Heaven* is a work of art, both in terms of text and illustrations.

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'An exceptionally beautiful work by Stian Hole. ... One of our most frequently awarded writers of picture books and one who doesn't worry about pleasing others. That attitude makes for good literature. An outstandingly beautiful as well as meaningful picture book.'

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Hole's masterly way of addressing you through his images offers comfort about the resting-place of the dead. ... readers who want to study the details will have many happy hours ahead and will also find visual references to Alice in Wonderland.

- AFTENPOSTEN

Stian Hole

Stian Hole (1969–) is a reputed illustrator and an author. He has created several prize winning picture books and a number of book covers. For his works, he has received prizes like the Brage Prize, Bologna Ragazzi Award and Deutscher Jugendliteraturpreis.

