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Morten A. Strøksnes (b. 1965) is a Norwegian intellectual, historian, journalist, photographer and writer. Strøksnes has published nine critically acclaimed books. His previous book *Shark Drunk* has received six awards, including the Norwegian Språkråd-Prize and the Norwegian Brage Prize and has been sold to 25 territories.



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