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Going Pro

Should Molly go all in and follow her dream of going pro?

Molly has won everything there is to win as far as Norwegian skateboarding competitions go, and has landed a sponsor deal in the US. She travels there with her family for what is set out to be the best summer of her life.

The only problem is that the sponsors don't really care about skating. All they care about is getting the best pictures. She seems like a newbie and only makes a fool of herself. But her dream is to go pro, and to go pro you HAVE TO have sponsors!

Should Molly go all in and follow her dream of going pro? Or is skating really about something else?

A book with a real California vibe to it, with long beaches and sunrise skating. *Going Pro* follows the story of Molly, who the readers first met in *Girlskaite* and *The Concrete Park*.

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Steffen R. M. Sørum (b. 1976) has published a range of books for adults, teenagers and children. His debut novel, *You Love Me*, was released in 2000. In 2016 he was awarded the Ministry of Culture's prize for his book *Write Brilliantly*, written with Eldrid Johansen and Ingrid dos Santos. Steffen trains children's authors at the Norwegian Institute for Children's Books. When he has time he tries to skateboard, play games, and read.



Eldrid Johansen (b. 1973) has published many books for children and teenagers since she made her debut with *"Sara Wants to be a Star"* in 2005. Eldrid also works as a singer, singing actress, and producer of literature for the Cultural Schoolbag. Eldrid is a keen skater and became Norwegian vert skateboarding champion in 2019.

Ingrid dos Santos (b.1984) has illustrated a number of books for children and young adults. The activities she enjoys best require some form of kneepad and a helmet, and she bears her bruises as badges of pride.

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