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AWARDS

The author and illustrator behind *Panther Battalion* have received numerous awards for their *TROLLHEIM* series:

Best Children's Book of the Year 2022, ARKS barnebokpris (11 000 children in the jury) for



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Arne Lindmo, Ida Skjelbakken (ill.)

Panther Battalion *The Fortress of Evil*

Panther Battalion - The Fortress of Evil is the first book in a brand-new series from the dream team behind the *TROLLHEIM* books. The team consists of bestselling and award-winning author Arne Lindmo and illustrator Ida Skjelbakken.

In a small town somewhere along the Norwegian coastline during the Second World War, we meet Petter, Hanna, and Sara. Petter's family is part of the resistance movement, Hanna is the daughter of the German commander, and Sara's family is of Jewish origin. The war puts their friendship to a severe test, and soon all three of them find themselves inside the Nazis' evil fortress. It seems impossible to find a way out, but in the courtyard stands an unguarded Panther tank, and in their desperation they come up with a wild idea...

Original Norwegian Text and Illustration Layout (click to view the first three chapters)

I love the tanks! I love the book!

- Alexander, Halmstad School

The story was very exciting!

- Trygve, Steiner School

The story was very, very, very exciting!

- Eline, Halmstad School

I'm going to recommend the book to as many people as possible!

- Kirsti-Marie, Halmstad School

Arne Lindmo, Ida Skjelbakken (ill.)

Arne Lindmo (b. 1981) grew up in a small village, Inderøy, along the Norwegian coastline and now lives in Norway's capital, Oslo. He is known for writing exciting and engaging stories for children and previously won the ARK Children's Book Prize for *TROLLHEIM - The Secret of Crow Castle*. With *Panther Battalion*, Lindmo moves into historical war fiction inspired by real events from the Second World War. Here, he combines fast-paced storytelling, drama, and strong characters. It is a story about courage, loyalty, and responsibility at a time when the boundaries between right and wrong are put to the test.



Ida Skjelbakken

Arne Lindmo

Ida Skjelbakken (b. 1979) is an illustrator and recipient of the Norwegian Ministry of

TROLLHEIM – Secret of Castle Crow

Best Children's Book of the Year 2023, Norli Junior reading contest (30 000 children in the jury) for TROLLHEIM – Vampires and demons

Winner of the Ministry of Culture's award for BEST ILLUSTRATIONS

Culture's Award for Best Illustrations for the first and second books in the TROLLHEIM series. In *Panther Battalion*, Skjelbakken creates intense and atmospheric illustrations that heighten the suspense and give the war scenes an almost cinematic presence.

OTHER TITLES

TROLLHEIM - The Witch of the Water Spirit's Marsh, 2025

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TROLLHEIM - The Spider Queen, 2024

The Christmas Heist, 2023

TROLLHEIM - Vampires and demons, 2023

TROLLHEIM - Underground Mission, 2023

TROLLHEIM - Avenger from Helheim, 2022

TROLLHEIM - Secret of Castle Crow, 2022



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