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Yesper and Noper

Kari Stai was awarded with the 2009 Debutant Prize of the Ministry of Culture for her first book about the unlikely friends Yesper and Noper (Jakob og Neikob).

The jury said: "This is an ideal and thorough picture book with an unusual palette whereby the cheerful mood of the illustrations complements the text. Although the book is meant for young readers, the short and plain text conveys an important message".

English version is available.

Kari Stai

Kari Stai (b. 1974) is a Norwegian illustrator, author and artist. She is graduated from the Oslo National Academy of the Arts with an MA in Visual Communication, in addition to studies at other Norwegian art colleges. Besides the *Yesper and Noper*-series she has published other picture books including the board books *Mopp and Mikko* (2010). In 2021 she made the illustrated novel *So-so Happy* (for readers 9 – 12). She has also illustrated a wide range of books by other writers.



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