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The Godmother

Wilma Lind heads up a new and complicated case when Bønna, a homeless person, is found shot in the middle of the crowd at Spikersuppa on New Year's Eve. Many people were there, but no one seems to have seen anything suspicious.

Another case soon presents itself: a mother-of-three severely injured in a traffic accident is in surgery at Central Hospital. The next morning, she has disappeared from the post-operative care department and is later found dead with a scar on her chest. A twelve-year-old girl who has just undergone surgery disappears from the same hospital, meaning the police have to race against the clock to save her life.

Never before has Wilma Lind been drawn into such a sinister world where evil exceeds her worst fears.

The Godmother is Rohde's third crime novel about her heroine Wilma Lind. All in all the series has a print run of nearly 200 000 copies in Norway.

Hanne Kristin Rohde

Hanne Kristin Rohde is Norway's most frequently profiled police official, and she is much noted for her open and genuine communication style.

She is fearless and direct and is often known for involving the Norwegian population in her police work. Under Rohde's influence, the Norwegian police agency assumed a new role — a face — as well as the confidence that things were getting done and cases were being solved.



Rohde was educated as a lawyer and has worked in the police force since 1989. In 1994, she became the Prosecuting Director for the Oslo Police District and in 2002 she became a top official for the Oslo Police. Starting in 2008, she began working as the division leader for violent and sexual crimes in Oslo.

Following the terrorist attack in Norway on July 22, 2011, Rohde worked as the leader on the investigation and has since led investigative teams covering a number of other large murder cases.