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The publisher Egmont has released three book collections (in Norwegian). In January 2020, the Norwegian comic journal Serienett listed Dunce as "best Norwegian comic of the decade". In 2018 and 2019 the strip got nominated for Sproingprisen (the Norwegian comics "Oscar") in the category Best Norwegian Comic. In 2020 the series won this price!

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«This comic is an enrichment! Funny, hilarious.»

- Comicreview.de (German podcast)

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# Dunce - Downtime

DUNCE is a (sort of) autobiographic comic- strip, the main character Jens K lives in Tromsø, far north in Norway. It's a strip about human (and more ... animalistic?) relationships, and the typical struggles of our modern lives.

DUNCE won the strip competition in one of Norway's biggest newspapers, Dagbladet, and also the prestigous Pondus-prize. In 2020 it got the Sproing-prize (the Norwegian "Oscar" of comics) in the category Best Norwegian Comic. Dunce is doing well internationally, a French book was released in April 2021 and recieved overwhelming reviews. The publisher Oceano in Mexico will release the first Spanish Dunce-book in 2022, they'll distribute it to 21 Spanish-language countries.

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# Dunce - Impulse control

«Impulse control» is the fourth Dunce book, this one too is filled with single strips, strip sequences and longer series.

Join us on a road trip through Norway, Brego's attempts to hibernate, and the touching sequence where Gustav single-handedly takes responsibility for saving the rainforest.

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