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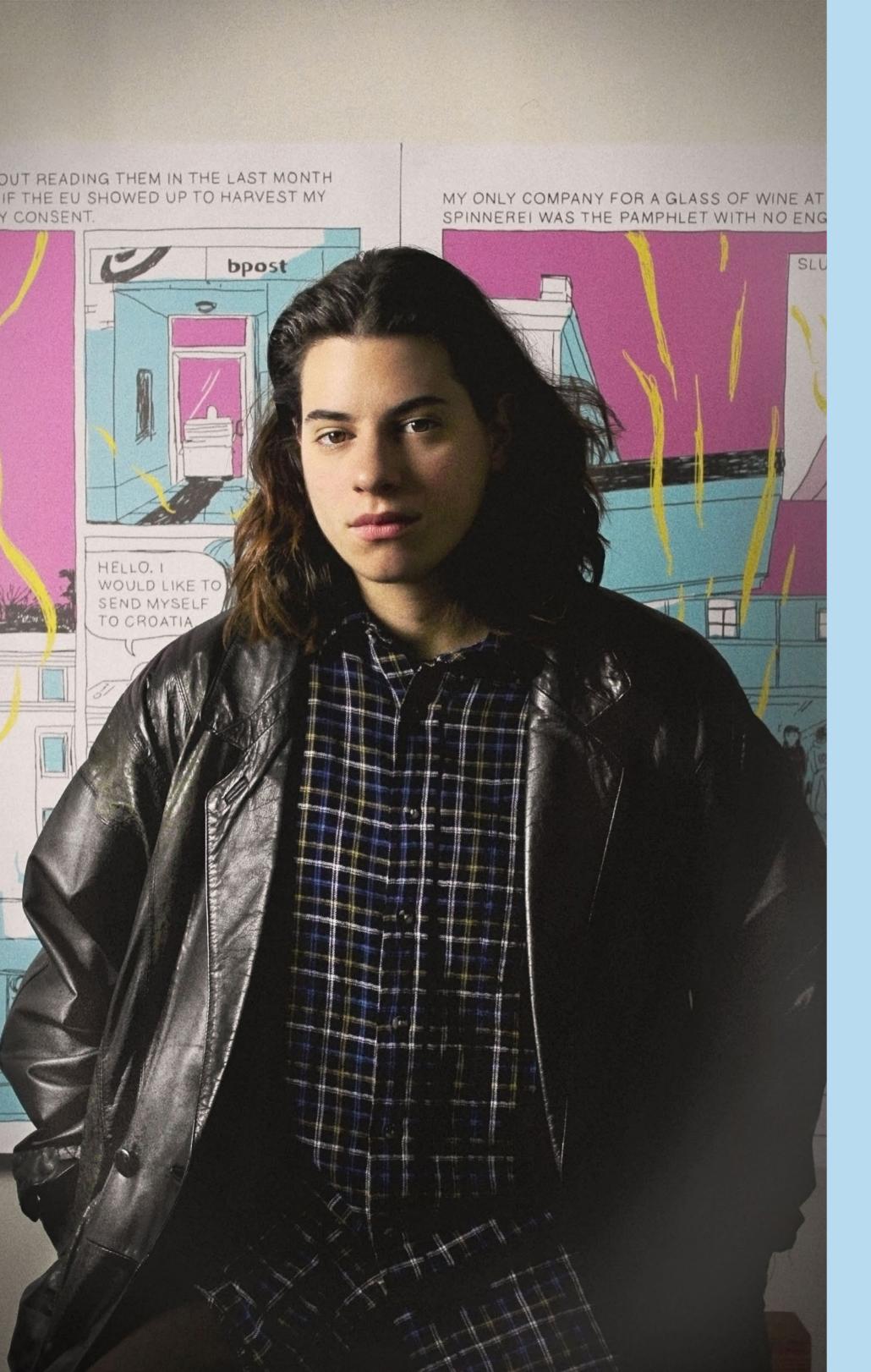
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# ARTISTS



### ANAMARIJA KVAS

Anamarija Kvas is a Croatian artist She is a member of the collectives Random specializing in comics and printmaking. Factor and BROS 4EVER and co-organizes She holds a master's degree from the the OHOHO Festival of Comics and Street Academy of Fine Arts in Zagreb, with Art in Zagreb. additional studies at HGB Leipzig and She is currently based in Vienna, working UMPRUM Prague. Her work has appeared at Zein Editions. in Fibra's Yearbook, Komikaze, CBA, and Snail Eye.

### Mutare

ANAMARIJA KVAS

#### Official selection of the Supertoon Festival - Animation and Comic 2025

The childhood friends Dorotea and Lucia grew up on the picturesque, fishing island of Mutare, a place steeped in traditions, where legends and ancient beliefs remain firmly rooted. Lucia, who now goes by Luka and identifies as male, always dreamed of escaping the narrow-minded island. Yet it was Dorotea who eventually left with her parents, while Luka remained behind.

Now that mass tourism gradually erodes Mutare's fragile ecological and economical system, more and more young people depart in search of opportunities on the mainland. Luka, working as a guide in the island's natural park, has grown resigned to the locals' quiet defeat. The days pass slowly, filled with card games among the few friends who remain and

evenings spent with the elderly, who dwell on how much better life was in the past.

When Dorotea suddenly returns to Mutare, she brings with her a breath of change. Planning to turn her old family home into an artist residency, she hopes to restore new life and culture to the community. As Luka and Dorotea reconnect and new feelings emerge, tensions on the island rise: the winter ferry service faces severe cuts, leaving the island more isolated than ever, while unchecked tourism threatens to push Mutare to the brink of collapse.

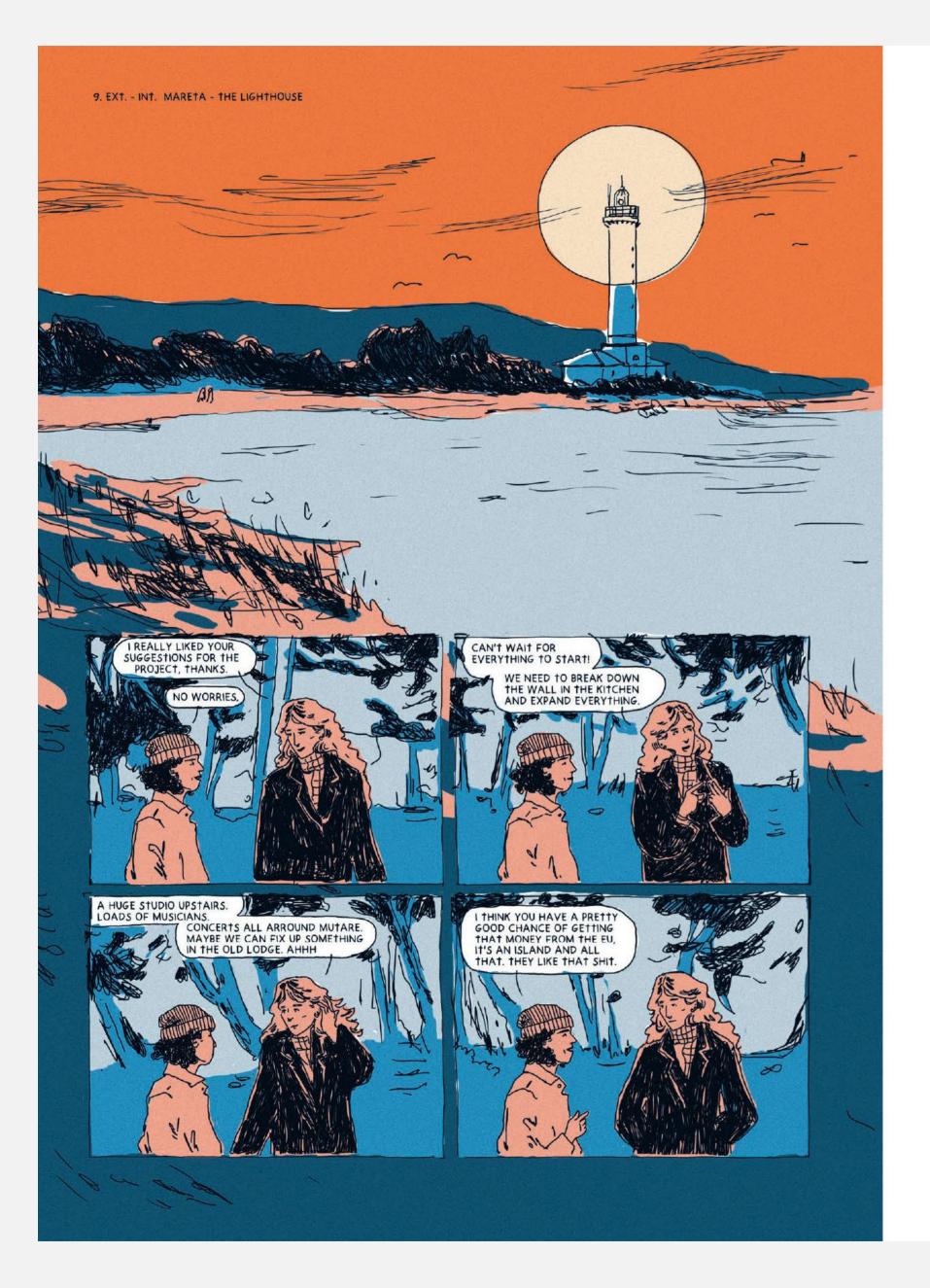


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## FELIPE PARUCCI LUIS MOREIRA GONÇALVES

Felipe Parucci is a Brazilian visual artist, Luís Moreira Gonçalves is a Portuguese of experience in the independent scene. He made his debut in 2015 with Apocalipse, por favor and has since published several titles that consistently blend social critique with sharp, often acidic humor.

and comic book author with over 10 years chemist, medical doctor, and accidental author. Once a university professor and respected scientist, the pandemic changed his path. He is passionate about learning and travel, and enjoys books that allow him to do both.

# Sleeping amongst corpses

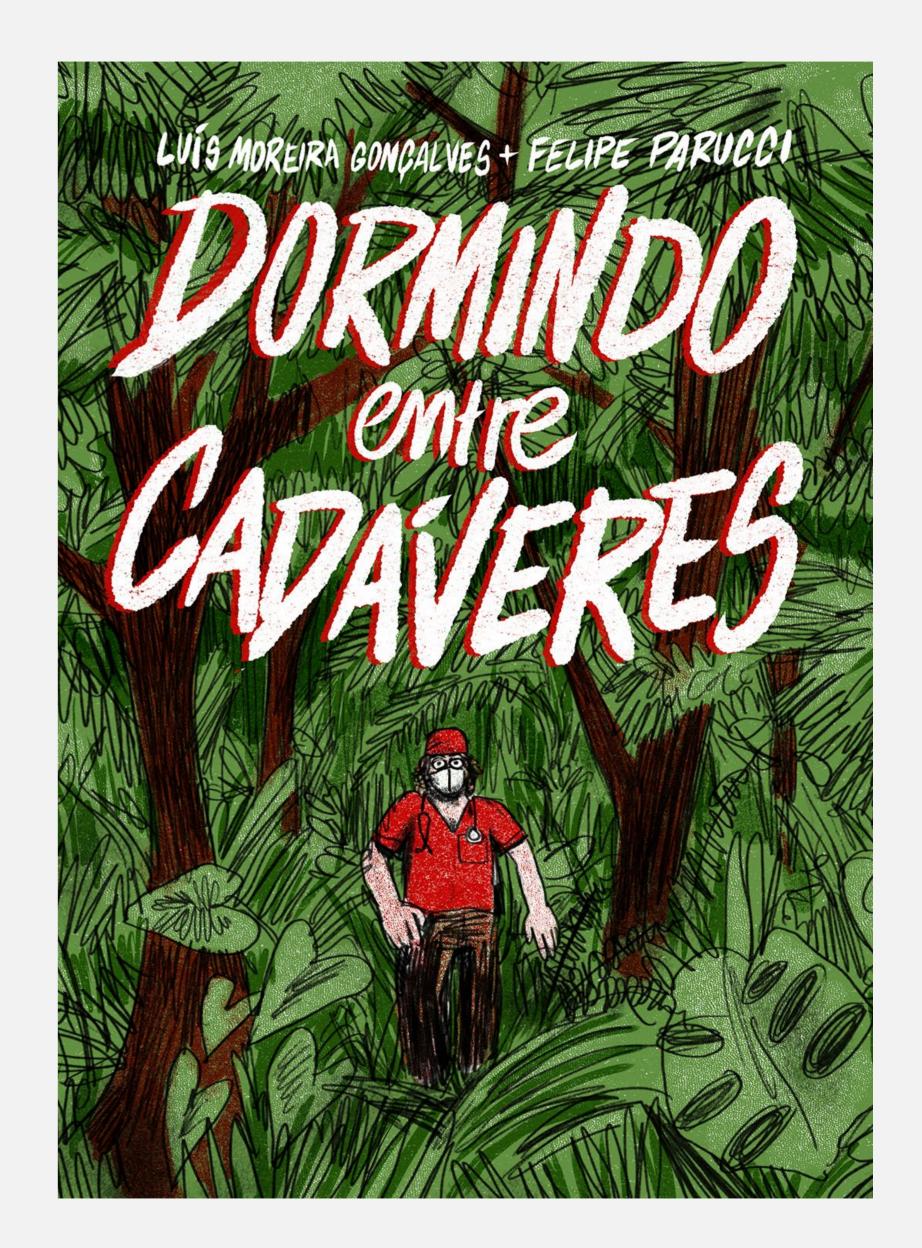
On the Front Lines of the Pandemic in the Heart of the Amazon

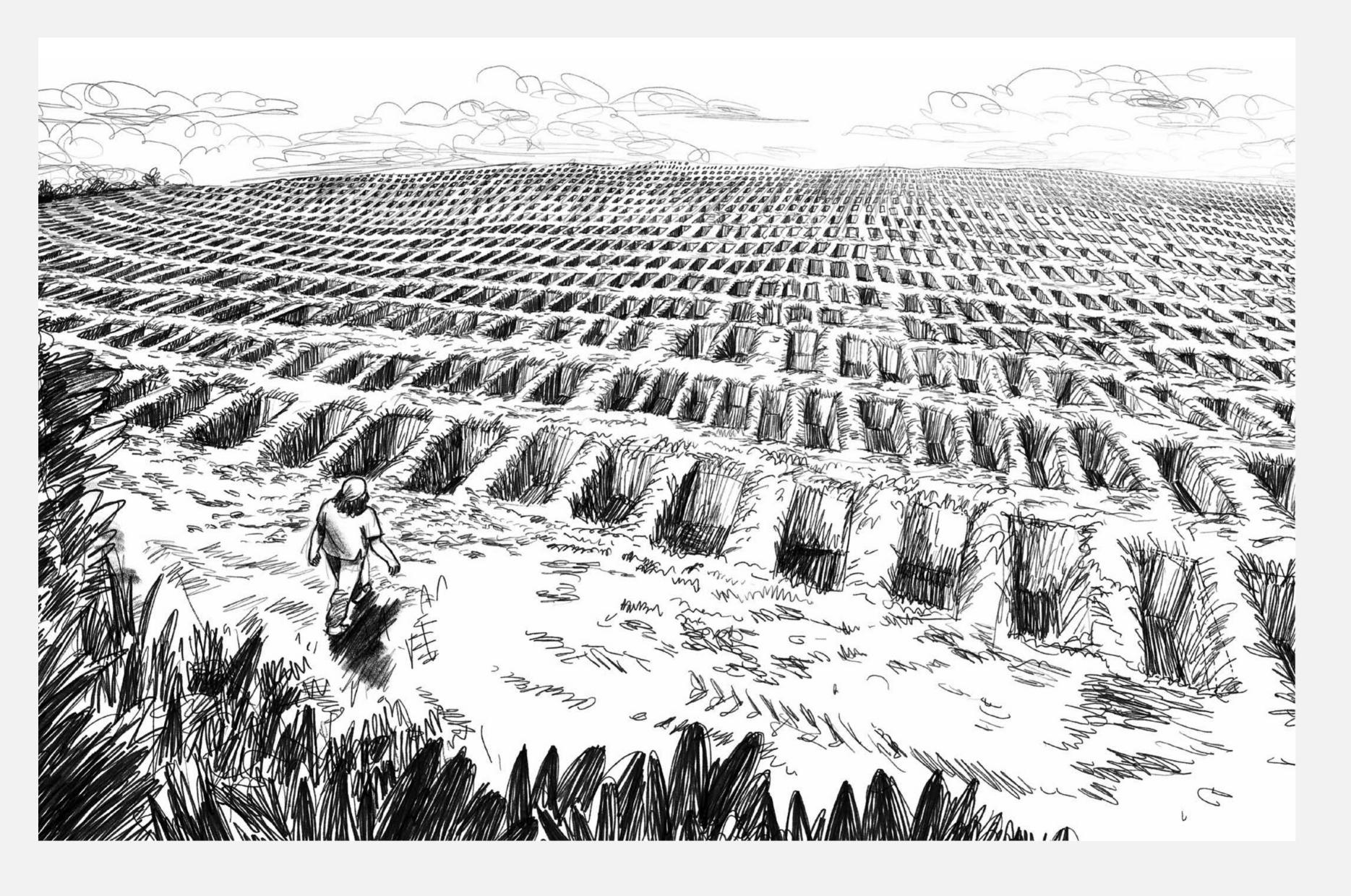
FELIPE PARUCCI & LUÍS MOREIRA GONÇALVES

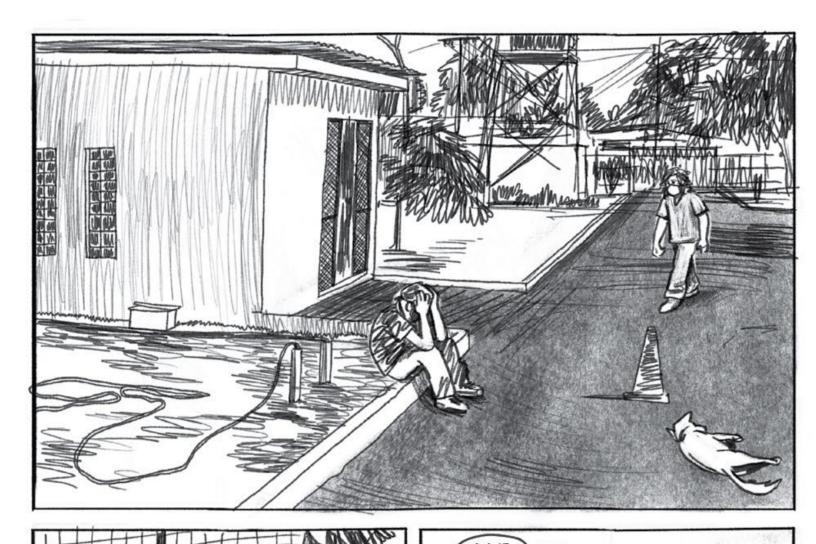
They said it would last only three months. They were wrong.
They believed the virus wouldn't survive the heat. Wrong again.
They warned the healthcare system might collapse. This time, they were right.
This is the story of how COVID devastated the world's lungs

When Luís, a doctor and university professor, responds to an urgent email, he has no idea that in just a few days he will be thrust into the heart of the Amazon jungle, working in a small field hospital where everything is lacking: staff, equipment, oxygen, and hope. Backed by the raw, black-and-white illustrations of Felipe Parucci, this is the story of his work on the front lines against the pandemic at its peak in Porto Velho, Rondônia. He recounts the administrative absurdities, government errors, human frailties, and heroic acts amidst the crisis.

It's tempting to forget that the pandemic didn't just halt daily life and economic activity, forcing many to slow down and reassess their priorities. Over 700,000 people died from COVID-19 in Brazil. When the healthcare system in the Amazon region collapsed, the scenes were catastrophic: overcrowded hospitals, families rushing from one hospital to another in search of oxygen, and tractors digging mass graves. This unflinching chronicle of resilience refuses to let the memory of a global crisis fade into complacency.



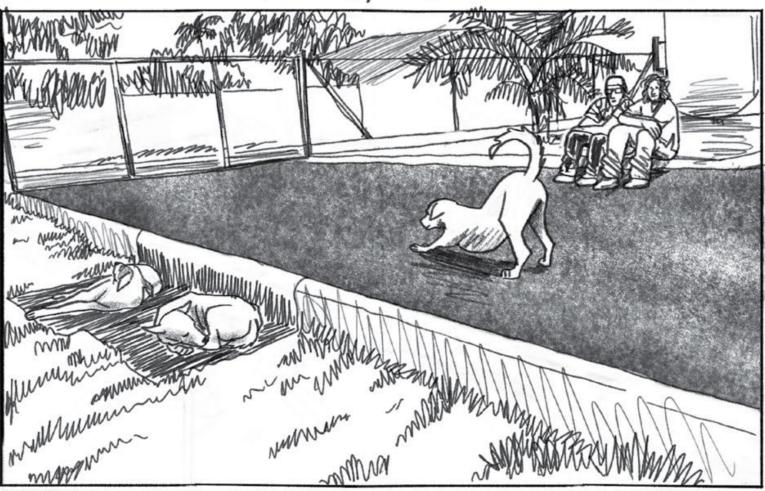












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### GLÀFIRA SMITH

the Ara Prize for a short comic in Catalan innovative visual storytelling.

Glàfira Smith studied film in Edinburgh with her story Els homes són llops (Men before continuing her career in the Are Wolves), a powerful exploration of audiovisual field as a director and creative gender-based violence told through lead in Barcelona. personal experiences and global data on In 2020, she published her first comic, misogynistic violence. Her work centers Secrets de mare (Mother's Secret), with around intimate narratives that reveal Norma Editorial. In 2022, she received broader social issues, combined with

### Trufa

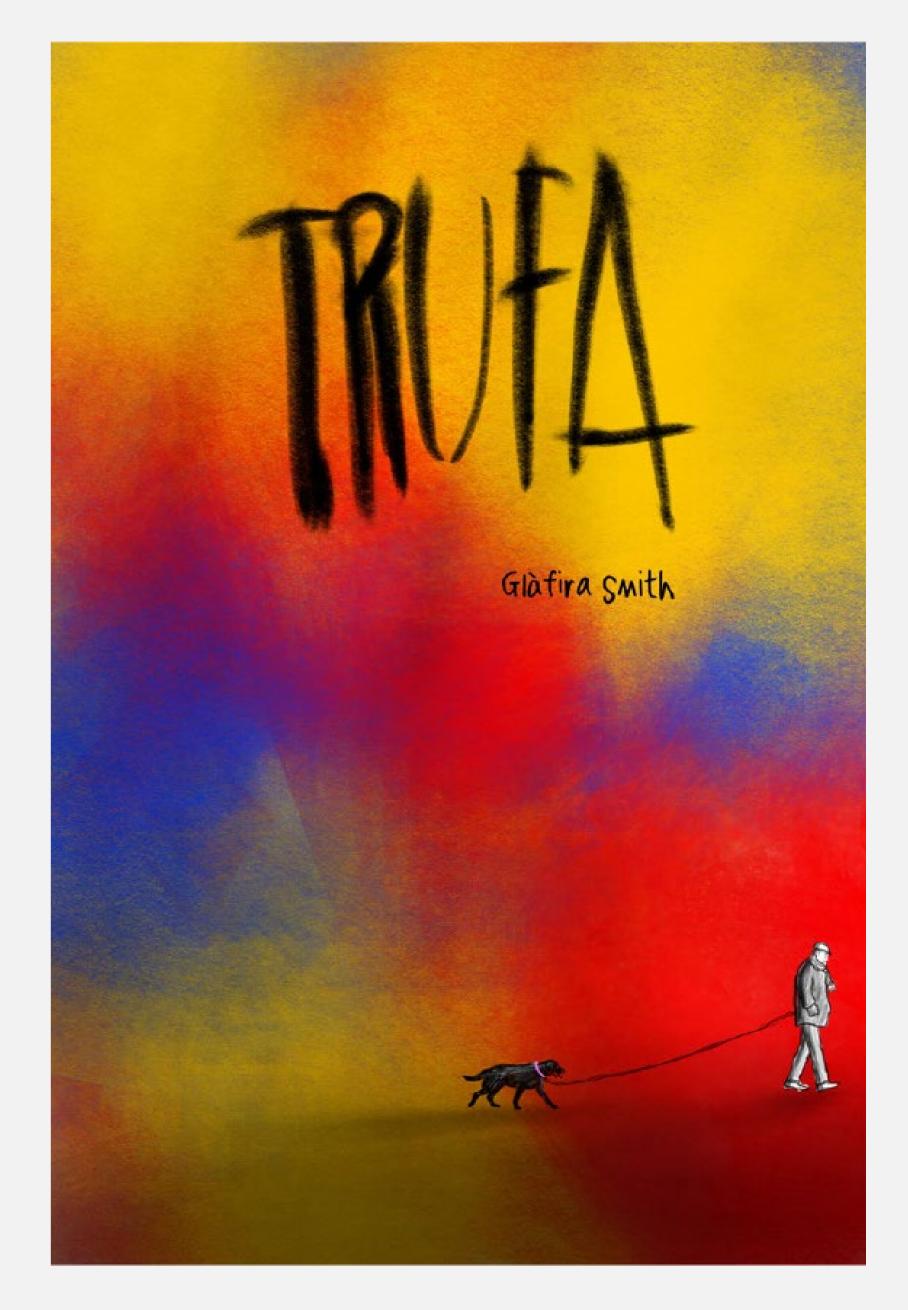
#### GLÀFIRA SMITH

Dogs don't perceive colors the way we do. They also see he world differently: their gaze is more intense, empathetic, and generous. Through the eyes of Trufa, a black Labrador, we are immersed in the daily life of a "regular" family. José Luis is a dependable husband and father, a provider and hard worker. You can count on him in good times, but when it comes to emotional matters, he remains distant and withdrawn.

Exploring the many forms love can take, this is a sensitive family chronicle, where other stories quietly emerge: that of an aging couple, a mother diminished by a long illness, and a daughter trying to break through the silence of a father who avoids intimacy.

Half puzzled, half amused, Smith offers a nuanced portrait of those father figures we often admired growing up but never truly understood. Many children of the postwar generation have struggled to connect with parents who stubbornly looked forward, perhaps because behind them there was only rubble and death. She does so with love, through the unjudging eyes of Trufa, portraying both José Luis's presence and his absences. The result is as moving as it is liberating.

Rights sold: Spanish & Korea Original in Catalan Full colours, 144 pages Material available: Full French and English translation











### JOANA MOSI

Joana Mosi is an award-winning visual Beyond creating, Joana collaborates with where she lives, teaches, and is currently spark curiosity and promote literacy. pursuing a PhD in Drawing. Always on the move, she travels worldwide for residencies and comics festivals. Her books include Not All Cactus Have Spines, Both Sides Now, The Apartment, and The Mongoose.

storyteller and cartoonist from Portugal, schools and institutions, using comics to

### The Mongoose

**JOANA MOSI** 

Recipient of the prestigious Jorge Magalhães Award for Outstanding Story Publishers Weekly 2025 Adult Comics & Graphic Novels Preview Selection Coup de cœur from Quebec's largest bookstore Renaud-Bray

Things are not going well for Julia. She is on sick leave, her brother Joel has moved in after losing his job and now spends his days on the sofa playing video games, and their overbearing mother won't give her a moment's peace. Worst of all, a mysterious mongoose is wreaking havoc in her vegetable garden, the very garden she inherited from her late husband and has been trying, with mixed success, to care for.

Although her brother is skeptical (mongooses have never been spotted on the Portuguese coast), Julia is convinced the creature is real and becomes increasingly obsessed. Her fixation begins to erode her relationships,

disrupt her daily life, and distort her grip on reality. No bait, poison, or trap can stop this monster from digging up her loss.

Through restrained black-and-white vignettes and a smooth tracé, Mosi explores how grief can feel non-linear, abstract, and isolating, creating a delightfully absurd story where soft humor shines through the darkest moment.



Rights sold: World English, World French and Spanish (Spain) Original in Portuguese (Portugal)

B & W, 192 pages

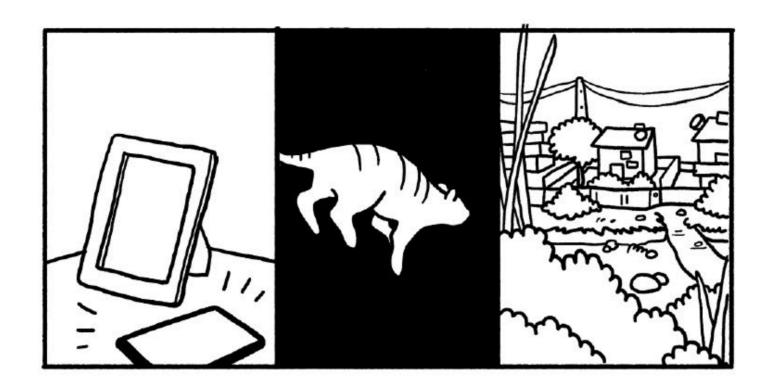
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JOANA MOSI THE MONGOOSE











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#### BY THE SAME ARTIST



#### **Physical Education**

by Joana Mosi

Rights sold: World English and World French Original in Portuguese (Portugal) B & W, 192 pages Material available: Full English translation

Laura has just received a prestigious grant to write her debut novel, and everyone around her agrees that things are finally falling into place. Yet somehow, she feels more lost than ever, and the only thing keeping her going is the gym routine she and her girlfriends committed to. Wry, elliptical, and intimate, Physical Education perfectly captures the quiet absurdities of the algorithmic age and the familiar ways we scroll, strive, sweat, and stage our way through the world.



### LUCKAS IOHANATHAN

Advertising but his true passion is, of shapes human behavior. course, storytelling through comics. In them, he connects the psychological with the mythical.

Luckas lohanathan was born in the city His narratives often explore trauma of Mossoró, in the interior of the Brazilian employing magical realism or fantasy to state of Rio Grande do Norte.

He studied Social Communication and imagination, examining how belief

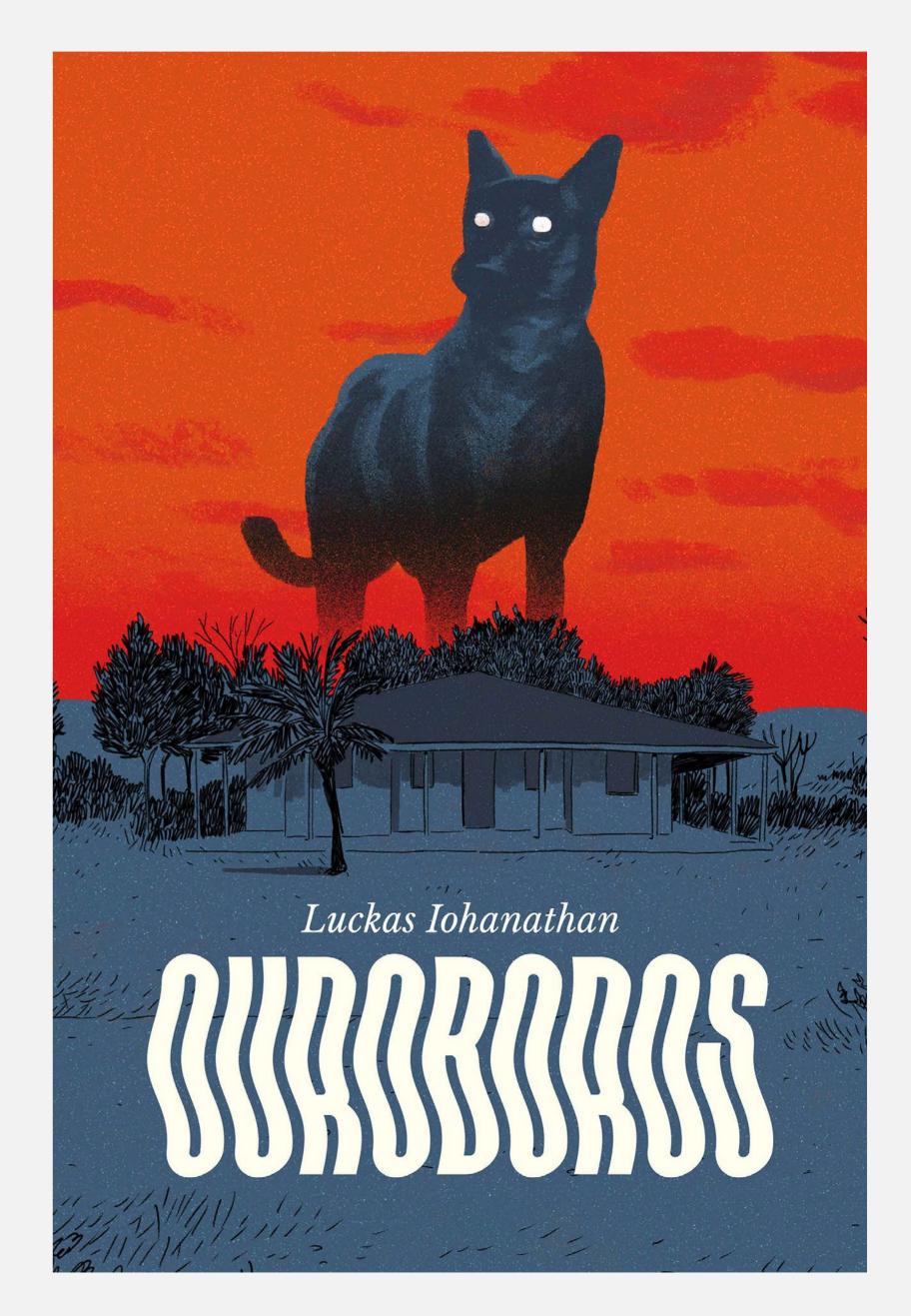
#### Ouroboros

#### **LUCKAS IOHANATHAN**

When the body of a newborn is discovered in a dumpster, Kesler, a police officer about to become a father, is shaken to his core. The case opens up wounds of his own traumatic childhood and drives him back to the house where he grew up, forcing him to confront his complex relationship with his mother. It's a place he left behind, determined to become a better person than she ever was but now, sitting in front of the aging woman, Kesler begins to understand that closure isn't found in forgetting, but in facing what was never resolved. Will it be enough though to escape the circle of violence and abuse?

From Jabuti Award-winning author Luckas lohanathan comes a haunting family drama that explores how the past endlessly coils into the present, like the mythical snake biting its own tail. He captures the cyclical nature of trauma delivering a deeply human story about memory, guilt, and the weight of inherited pain.

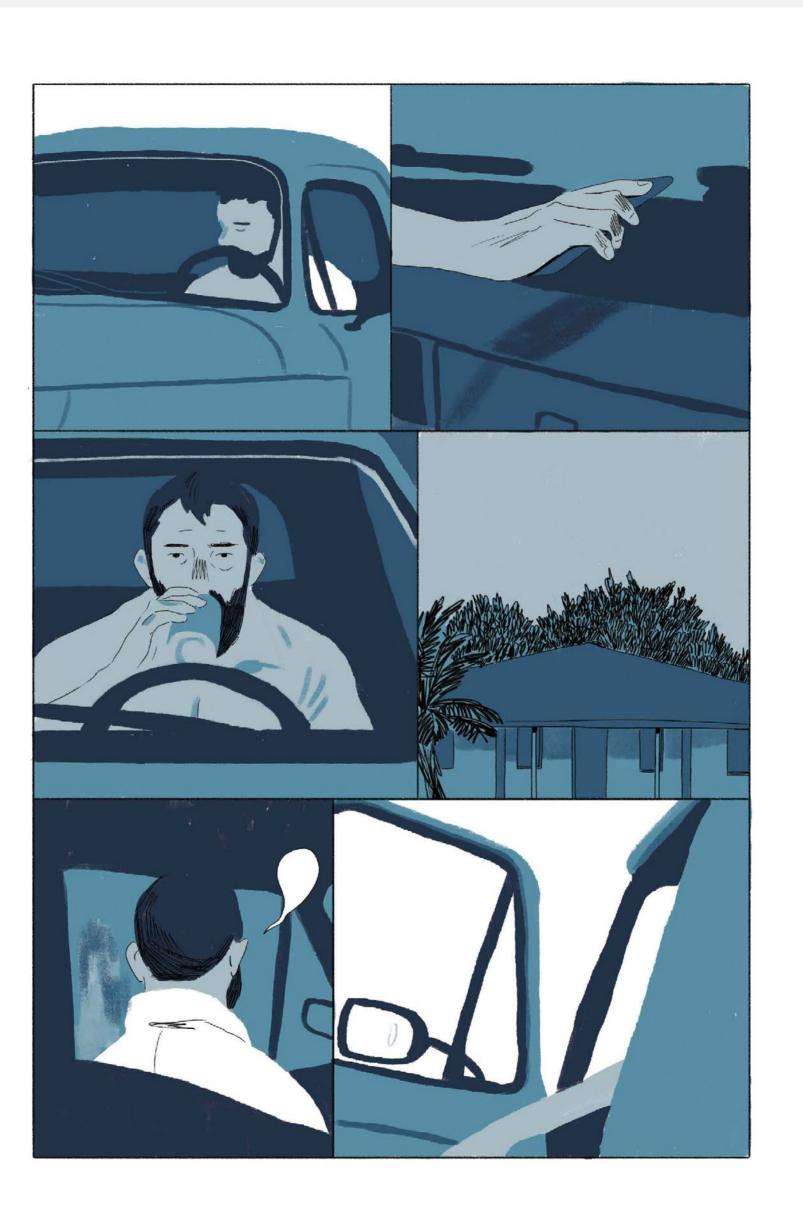
Told through a seamless, color-coded narrative that blurs temporalities, the graphic novel uses a cold, minimalist palette to reflect the emotional landscape of characters who live in moral gray zones. With unforgettable, flawed figures and a final gut-punch twist, Ouroboros confirms why lohanathan is one of the most powerful voices in contemporary Brazilian comics.



Rights sold: Brazil
Original in Portuguese (Brazil)
Two-color palette, 176 pages
Material available: English sample







#### BY THE SAME ARTIST

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Original in Portuguese (Brazil)
Two-color palette, 190 pages



Jabuti Prize Winner in the Comics category 2024

Official selection of the Angoulême Festival 2025



### MAILYS CART-LAMY

an inexhaustible traveler, her true passion social solidarity. has always been drawing.

Maïlys Cart-Lamy is a French illustrator After attending the Émile-Cohl School from Grenoble who grew up at the foot of of Fine Arts, she began collaborating on the Alps. Initially a lawyer specializing in and creating illustrated albums. Central international environmental law, then the to Cart-Lamy's work are themes such as manager of a vegetarian restaurant and mental health, ecology, feminism, and

\* YVES BONNEFOR

# Plus jamais, pour toujours

MAÏLYS CART-LAMY

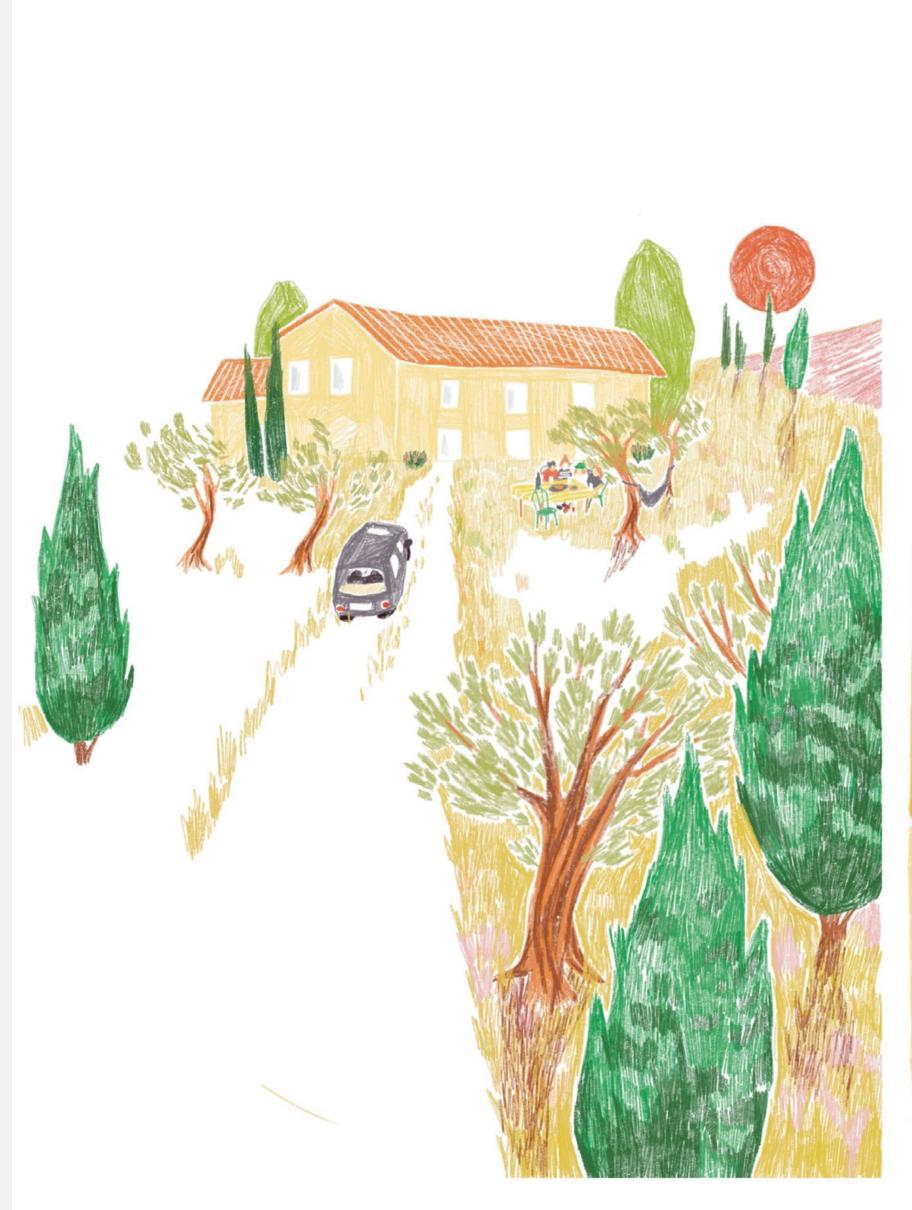
2021. The Covid restrictions are finally lifted, and Maï is packing her boxes to join her boyfriend in Colombia. As she prepares for this new chapter, she stumbles upon an old diary that pulls her back to her teenage years marked by bulimia, an eating disorder she believed she had overcome.

But as her life choices push her beyond her comfort zone, she begins to realize that the sense of victory she once felt was fleeting, and that her fragility still lingers. Then, a family secret emerges: her grandfather, a solid and radiant figure in her eyes, suffered from chronic depression throughout his life. The steadfast father of five daughters would sit in his car after work, crying, unable to face going home. In postwar France, such an illness was both stigmatized and often dismissed as a "woman's issue."

Through Mai's journey - opening a restaurant in Lyon with longtime friends, making a documentary in the first free African town in the Americas - intertwined with the story of her grandfather, a "sensitive man" once studied as a clinical case, this delicate graphic novel reveals how patriarchy harms both men and teenage girls. A poignant and poetic work, it invites us to accept the passage of time and the forces beyond our control with greater philosophy and kindness.

"QUE LA BEAUTÉ SOIT VÉRITÉ."\* **Work in Progress** Rights available: Worldwide ET LE MOCHE AUSSI. Original in French Request material 250 pages, Colour









### MARTA CARTU

Marta Cartú is a visual artist from (Quebec), and Azkuna Zentroa (Bilbao). specializing in drawing and education. Medem, Nadia Hafid, and Ana Galvañ. She was selected for the International Comic Residency co-organized by the Cité de la Bande Dessinée et de l'Image (Angoulême), La Maison de la Littérature

Barcelona. She holds a degree in Fine Arts, She has just been awarded a scholarship to undertake Doctoral research on Her work has been exhibited at the Experimentation in Comics at the Angoulême Festival alongside María prestigious Elisava School of Design in collaboration with the publishing house Finestres.

### Hey, Siri

MARTA CARTÚ

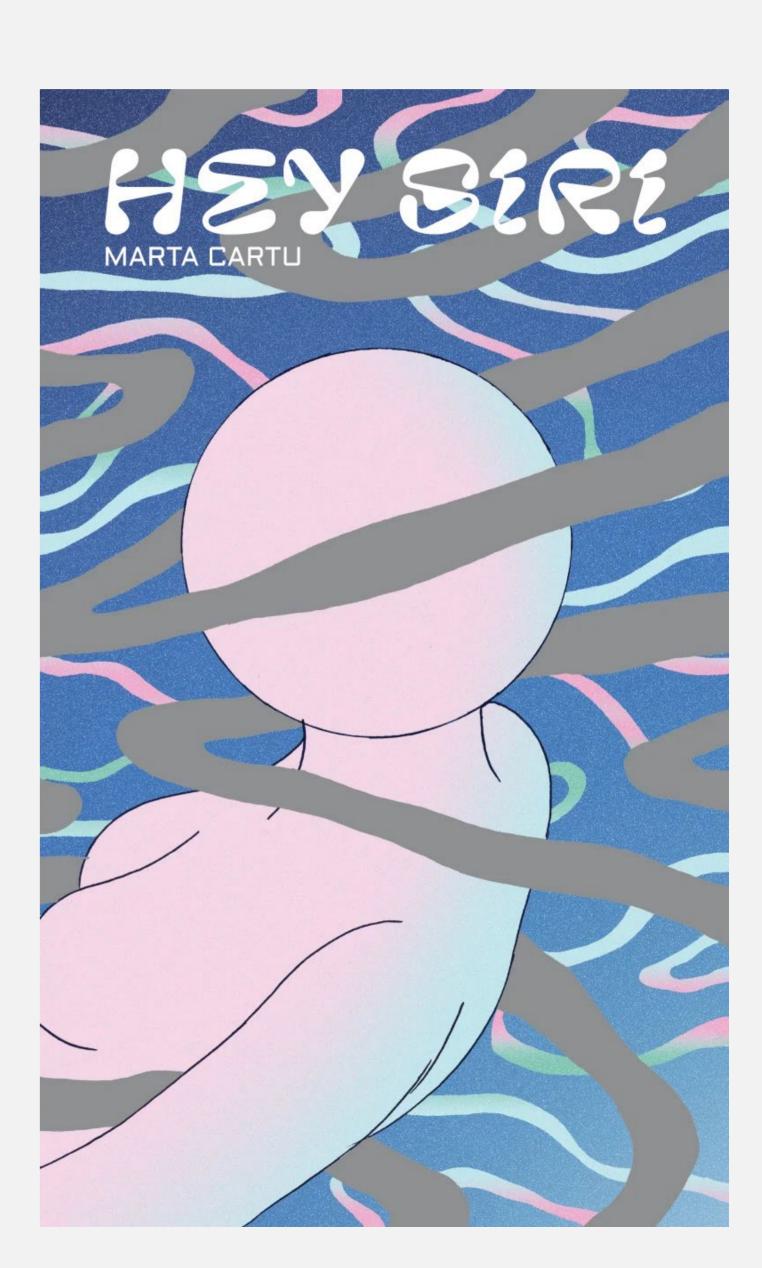
#### Winner of the Injuve Creation Award in the Comic category 2019

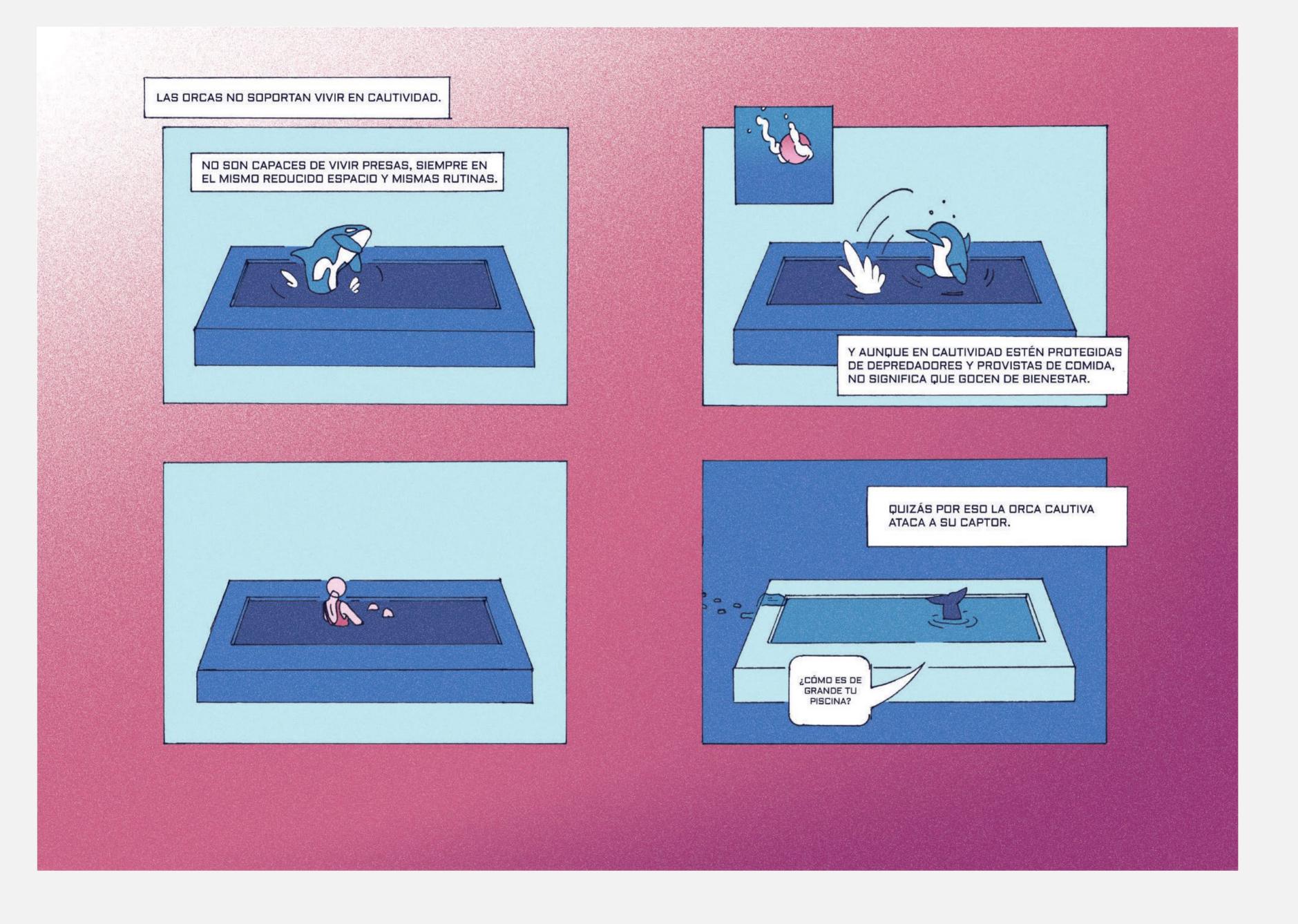
Everyone knows Siri, the world's most famous voice assistant. But what if she were a real person, made of flesh and blood?

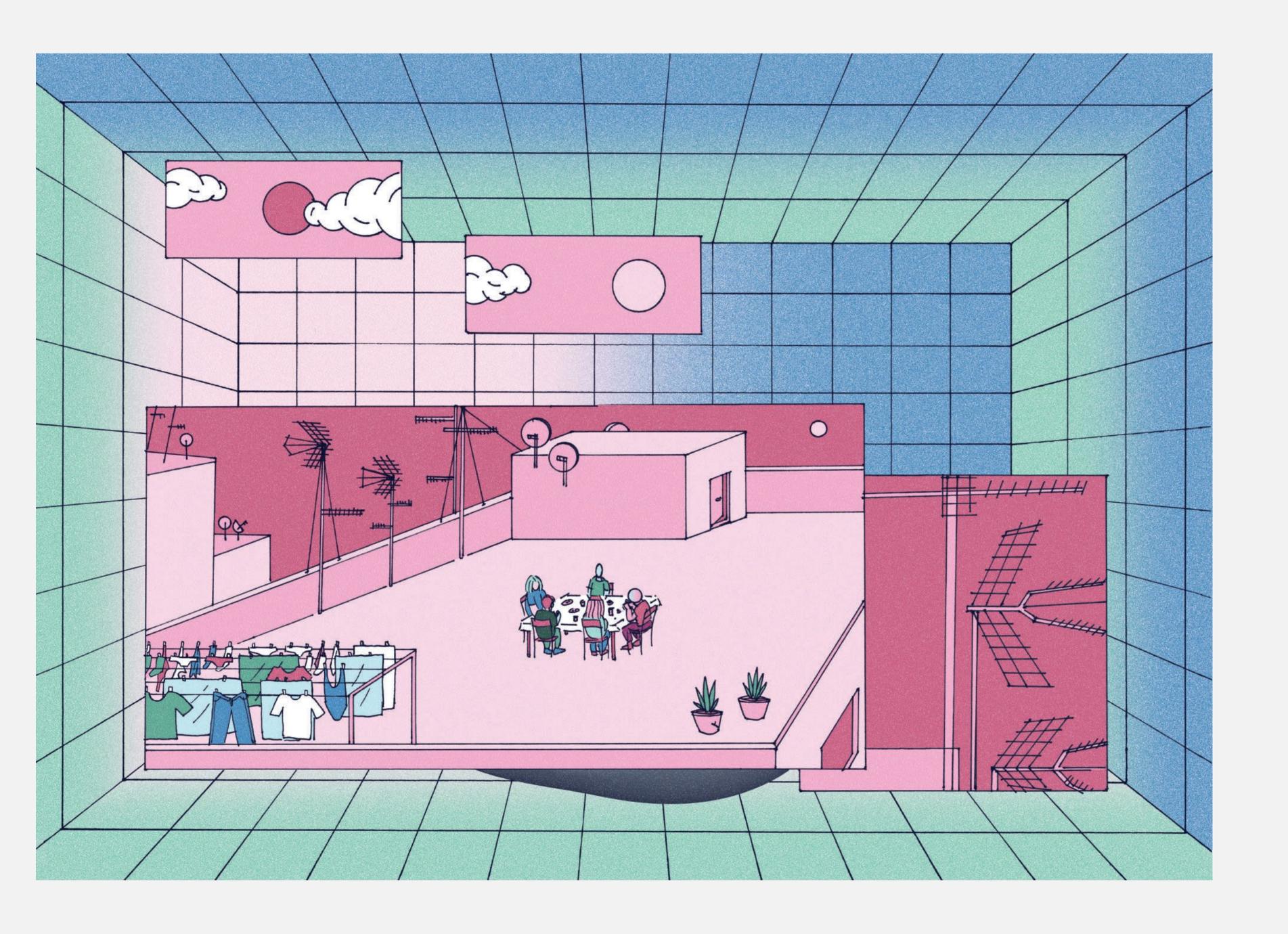
In Cartu's elegant and futuristic graphic novel, her life is filled with mundane routines: endless commutes, precarious mini-jobs, insomnia, anxiety, an unexpected pregnancy scare and an addiction to documentaries about orcas.

The comic's sleek panels integrates hypertext, allowing the reader to navigate the frames as they would on a computer or phone screen, reinforcing the impression of the fragmented reality of our digital age and its paradoxes. How do we communicate and how do we live in a permanently connected, yet often lonely, society?

Rights available: Worldwide
Original in Spanish
Colour, 100 pages
Material available: English Sample









### NACHA VOLLENWEIDER

Nacha Vollenweider is an Argentine a new graphic novel project about the illustrator, mural artist, and graphic Argentine dictatorship, she was awarded novel author. She holds a degree from a Pro Helvetia South America grant for an the National University of Córdoba and artist residency in Zürich in 2025. a master's in Art from the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences. Following a residency at La Maison des Auteurs in Angoulême, where she began developing

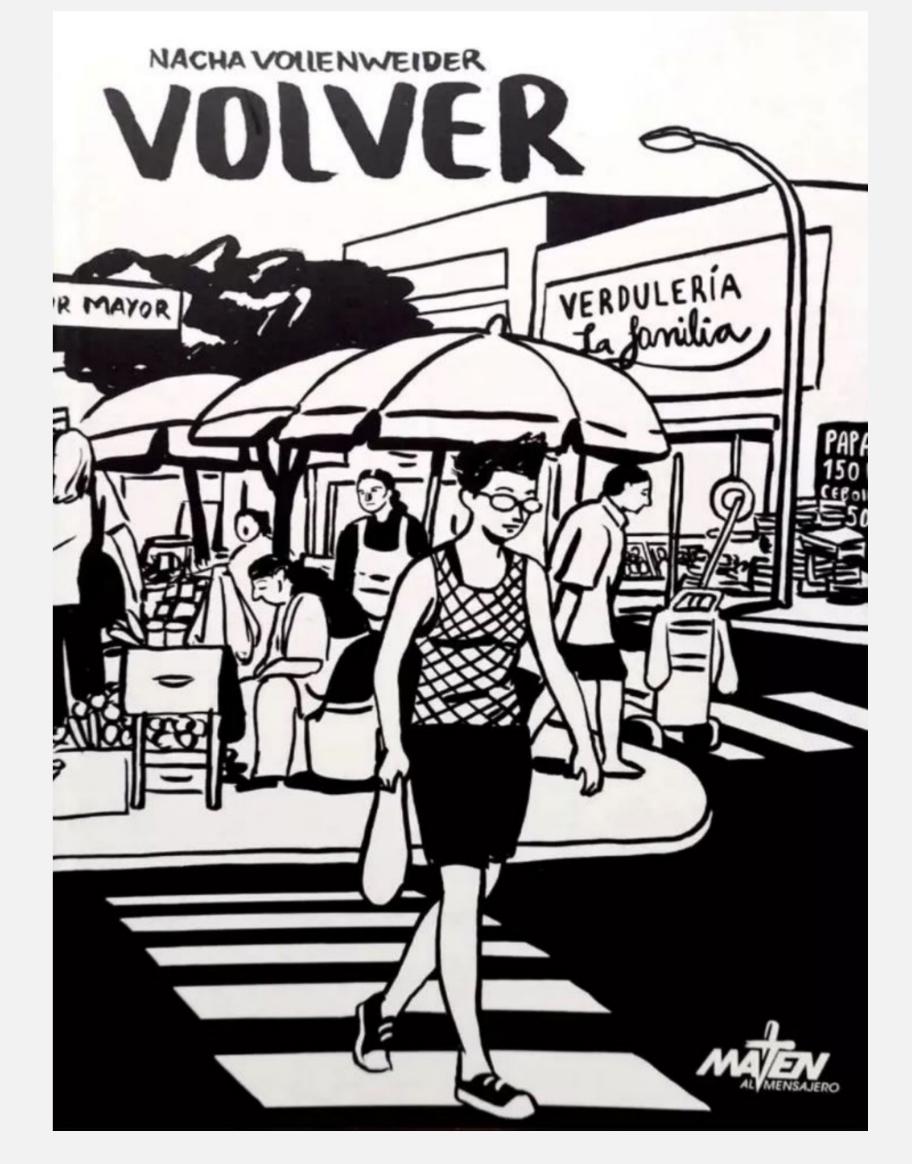
### Volver

#### NACHA VOLLENWEIDER

Volver is inspired by a mythical Argentine tango. Volver also means "homecoming." After six years in Hamburg, Nacha returns home. Argentina is still deeply affected by the economic crisis and she is processing the recent divorce from her German wife, trying to make sense of her time in Europe.

Collecting pagan deities in Brazil; backpacking in the Argentine Sierras with a Swiss friend who idealizes Latin America; engaging in intense conversations with her grandmother, a nostalgic supporter of Peronism: Nacha embarks on a journey to reconnect with both her country and herself.

In a time when political, economic, and environmental crisis are forcing people to migrate from their home countries, which fractures do these uprootings leave, both on a personal and global level? Sometimes, coming back is just as hard as leaving.



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Original in Spanish
B & W, 220 pages
Material available: English and French sample





VOLVER

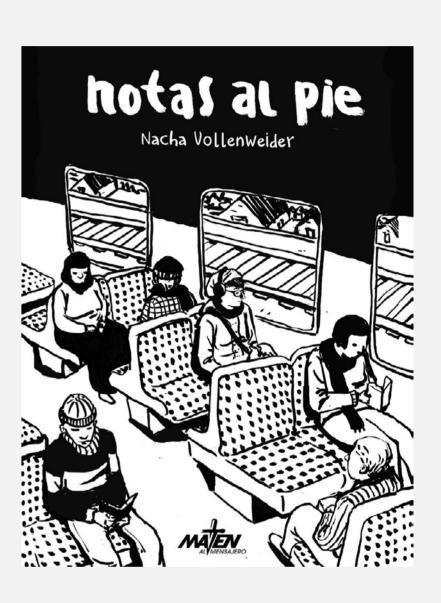
EN LO DE MÍ MAMÁ ME QUEDÉ UN MES. LA CASA ES PEQUEÑA Y SÓLO TIENE DOS HABITACIONES. UNA ES PARA ELLA Y LA OTRA PARA MÍ HERMANA.





#### BY THE SAME ARTIST

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