

## PRESS RELEASE

*Tegnerforbundets utvalgte 2022*  
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Tegnerforbundet - The Norwegian Drawing Center is proud to present the sixth edition of *Tegnerforbundets utvalgte*. This exhibition shows the finest examples from the field of picture books and comics published in the past year, along with original sketches and digital drawings from the books. Ten books have been selected by this year's jury, made up of Anja Dahle Øverbye, Anders Nordmo Kvammen and Melina Edvardsen.

*Tegnerforbundets utvalgte 2022:*

Anna Fiske, *Museum*, Cappelen Damm  
Christopher Nielsen, *Weltschmerz 10B*, No Comprendo Press

Ragnar Aalbu, *Det suser i Sivert*, Vigmostad & Bjørke  
Inga H. Sætre, *Luringen*, Gyldendal  
Ronny Haugeland, *Store ord*, Vigmostad & Bjørke  
Xueting Yang, *Kjøkken*, Jippi Forlag  
Henriette T. Osnes, *Une og skolestarten*, Aschehoug  
Mattis Bekkelund, *Hip Hop-gutta*, Træsh forlag  
Knut Nærum, *Streberne*, No Comprendo Press  
Nora Brech, *Tenk å vere eit menneske*, Vigmostad Bjørke

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With this presentation we wish to pay tribute to the great diversity of comics and picture books, and promote the visual book as a separate art form. Our aim is to contribute to the body of knowledge and further the discourse in this field. The selections are not ranked and no winners are declared. On the books chosen this year, the jury submits the following statement:

*With a great variety of styles and genres, the selected books represent both newly established and more seasoned artists and illustrators. The books are all brimming with creativity and a playful use of color. They defy the boundaries of genre, demonstrating that there is room for experimental expression. Engaging with society, they reflect how we live and spark conversations. Humor and seriousness go hand in hand in this year's selection. They show that the tradition of the picture book in Norway is on solid footing and optimistically and playfully lead into the future. The book is not dead!*

The exhibition will also feature video interviews with the participating artists, and Henriette T. Osnes has covered the gallery's exterior window with an original drawing. The selected books will be available in the gallery during the exhibition period.

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