

# One More Year by Simon Hanselmann: A Masterpiece of Existential Horror and Comedy



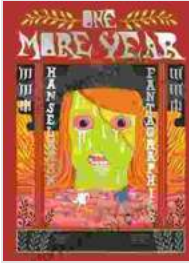
## One More Year (Megahex) by Simon Hanselmann

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Simon Hanselmann's *One More Year* is a darkly funny and deeply moving graphic novel that explores the themes of addiction, mental illness, and the search for meaning in a meaningless world.

The story follows Megg, Mogg, and Owl, three anthropomorphic animals who are struggling to make sense of their lives. Megg is a recovering heroin addict, Mogg is a depressed alcoholic, and Owl is a suicidal insomniac. Together, they stumble through life, trying to find happiness and fulfillment, but constantly failing.

Hanselmann's art is simple and expressive, with a raw and honest quality that perfectly captures the characters' inner turmoil. The story is told in a series of short, episodic chapters, each of which focuses on a different aspect of the characters' lives. These chapters are often funny, but they are also deeply moving, as they explore the characters' struggles with addiction, depression, and anxiety.

*One More Year* is a powerful and unforgettable graphic novel that will stay with you long after you finish reading it. It is a story about the human condition, and it is a story that will resonate with anyone who has ever struggled with addiction, mental illness, or the search for meaning in life.

## **About the Author**

Simon Hanselmann is an Australian cartoonist and illustrator. He is best known for his graphic novels *One More Year* and *Megahex*, which have been praised for their dark humor and honest portrayal of mental illness and addiction.

Hanselmann was born in Melbourne, Australia, in 1981. He began drawing comics in his early teens, and he published his first graphic novel, *Megahex*, in 2010. *One More Year* was published in 2013, and it was met with critical acclaim.

Hanselmann's work has been compared to that of Charles Bukowski and Daniel Clowes. He is known for his dark humor and his ability to create complex and relatable characters.

## **Awards and Recognition**

\* Ignatz Award for Outstanding Graphic Novel (2014) \* Eisner Award for Best Graphic Memoir (2015) \* Harvey Award for Best Graphic Album (2015)

## **Reviews**

\* "One More Year is a masterpiece of existential horror and comedy. Hanselmann's art is simple and expressive, and his story is both funny and heartbreaking." - The New York Times

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