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GLÖMP 8 WALKS FREE

The eight issue of Glömp presents the new wave of Finnish comic art. The 21 artists included are part of the generation stretching and experimenting the comic form. 232 four colour pages of the book deliver the message of joy, friendship and freedom.

With the new release the artists of Glömp will be present around Europe on different happenings. During year 2006 comic originals, paintings and live shows can be seen in Comics Meets Theater (Halle, Germany), Living Room (Turku, Finland), Stripdagen (Haarlem, Holland), Pispala Center of Modern Art (Tampere, Finland), Kultur festival (Stockholm, Sweden), Gallery Myymälä2 (Helsinki, Finland), Finnish Institute (Brussels, Belgium), Helsinki Comics Festival (Helsinki, Finland) and Bozar (Brussels, Belgium). For up to date information, please keep your eye on:

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GLÖMP [*gloemp*] – "Like something heavy dropping into oil."
– "Tastes good in your mouth."

Glömp is an annual album-form comics anthology released since year 1997. It does not believe in being thematical wholesome but tries to find coherence from inside the group of contributors, their relatives and attitude towards life. As a fanzine Glömp doesn't have any financial intentions. The only intention is to make honest, good and timeless releases.

Maths: After eight issues of Glömp we have told our readers 199 stories from 90 artists on 952 pages.

Our prizes:

2005 Prix Alternative (BD Angouleme, France)
2005 Best Nordic FanZine (Small Press Expo, Sweden)
2004 FanZine of the Year (Helsinki Comics Festival, Finland)
2001 90 Years of Comics -prize (The Finnish Comics Professionals)

Image bank of Glömp8 in print resolution can be found from:
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BOING BEING is an experimental small label found by Sami Ilmonen and Tommi Musturi in the year 1995. Started by releasing vinyl records the label has expanded into the fields of comics and other arts. In the year 2006 Boing Being is lead by Tommi Musturi and seldom but frequently puts out releases by no other than artistic means. Label's intention is to work internationally, Glömp8 being its 25th release.

HURRY! Hurry! is a 6-piece collective of Finnish comic artists, graphic designers and film makers, which work together consist of different kind of cultural publications and group exhibitions in Finland and abroad.

KUTIKUTI is a comic art studio located in Helsinki. The collective makes, publishes and teaches comics internationally.

SAMI AHO (1976, Helsinki) pilots Galax Publishing and works on 'Doozers in Eden'-exhibition. Publications: Tähti, Väritön maailma and Galax#1-4.

PIIRUSTUSKERHO is an open collective that has been exhibited in Belgium, Holland, USA and Finland. For the year 2006 the group will prepare a new animation and a BIG book.

ROOPE ERONEN (1982, Tampere) plays free improvised music in Avarus, Maniacs Dream and Pylon. Favours limbo children, beer, super fibres and love. Participated in following publications: Jamma? #1-5, Glömp #5 & 6 and Smittekilde #9.

JYRKI HEIKKINEN (1958, Kuopio) works on a new graphic novel called 'Doctor Futuro' and his fourth collection of poems. Publications: Seiniä pän, Punajäkälä (Asema), Laikku#2 ja Glömp.

ANNA-KAISA LAINE (1977, Tampere) is Tampere graduated artist and globetrotter. Publications: Irtoparta, "Say yes to no" and "Not in my name".

INA KALLIS (1979, Helsinki) won the Scandinavian Comics Competition year 2005. Publications and participations: Kuningas Erkki, Vieras, Lautasellinen liikaa, C'est Bon#4, Stripburger#40 and Viimeinen juna (Kemi Comics Center).

BENJAMIN BERGMAN (1980, Helsinki) works on crossover 'Doozers in Eden' -exhibition and a solo exhibition for the Helsinki Comics Festival 2006.

VILLE LOPONEN (1983, Tampere/Rovaniemi) keeps it simple. Publications: Flojab.

JAN KONSIN (1977, Helsinki) is part of the Delirious Monkey collective and started as tram driver in Helsinki summer 2006. Publications: Laikku#1 + The Picnic (Asema), Napa, Numero and Dodger.

JARNO LATVA-NIKKOLA (1977, Helsinki) won the Scandinavian Strip Comics Competition year 2005. Works at the moment on his new graphic novel 'The Master of Emotions'. Participations in publications such as Patto#1-4, Glömp#1-6, Sarjari and Pieni seikkailukirja.

REIJO KÄRKKÄINEN (1964, Kuopio) is an artist who at the moment works on his third book for French publisher Le Dernier Cri. Publications and participations: Pielavesi (Le Dernier Cri), Money Tox (Le Dernier Cri) and Bête Noire (Fantagraphics).

PAULIINA MÄKELÄ (1980, Helsinki) draws weird families for his upcoming book. Publications: Karnevaalit / The Carnival ja Don't Don't Don't.

HENNA RAITALA (1976, Oulu) works on happy life. Publications and participations: Meillä ja muilla teillä, Foul Play (Asema), Pole, Glömp and Irtoparta.

HANNERIINA MOISSEINEN (1978, Tampere) won the Scandinavian Comics Competition year 2006. Works at the moment on a collection of shameful stories. One of the can be read in Glömp8. Publications: Sen synty (Arktinen Banaani) and Irtoparta-anthology.

TOMMI MUSTURI (1975, Helsinki/Juupajoki) draws five part series 'The Books of Hope' and a new book based on Samuel, character presented in Glömp8. The author has been rewarded for his publications in France, Sweden and Finland. Publications and participations: The First Book of Hope (Boing Being) / Le premier Livre de M.Espoir (La 5e Couche), Italo Sport + Autiomaan Kis-Kis (Boing Being), C'est Bon Anthologiat and Allt för konsten#6 (Optimal).

JYRKI NISSINEN (1982, Vieremä/Turku) resembles his character Castlor. Publications: Kiimaiset maantiesuolan imeskelijät + Borgtron (Happy Horse), Vainajan velat #1-3 and Kolme vierailua italialaisessa kodissa.

KATRI SIPILÄINEN (1979, Savonlinna/Turku) works at the moment on two picture books, one in Finland and another one with her friends abroad. 'Jerry' is her first comic published.

JARI VAARA (1979, Rovaniemi) is a comic artists and animator. Publications: Neutron-i kasvattamo #1-3 .

JANNE TERVAMÄKI (1968, Helsinki) published his first comics during the 80's in anthologies such as Suuri Kurpitsa ja Kannus. Along with doing comics he works as an illustrator for magazines in Finland.

AMANDA VÄHÄMÄKI (1981, Tampere/Bologna) won the international comics competition of Fumetto festival year 2005. Recently she found a paper roll on the street and will turn it into a graphic novel. Publications and participations: Campo di baba' (Canicola), Canicola #1-3 and Orang #5.

KASPER STRÖMMAN (1974, Helsinki) is part of the Kingnosmo art collective and publisher Napa Books. Works at the moment on a cook book with his friend Tomas. Publications: Super Esteban #1-4, I'm With Stupid (Napa), Around the World With Kingnosmo (Napa) and Sohvaperuna (WSOY).