

Geir Gulliksen

Look at Us Now

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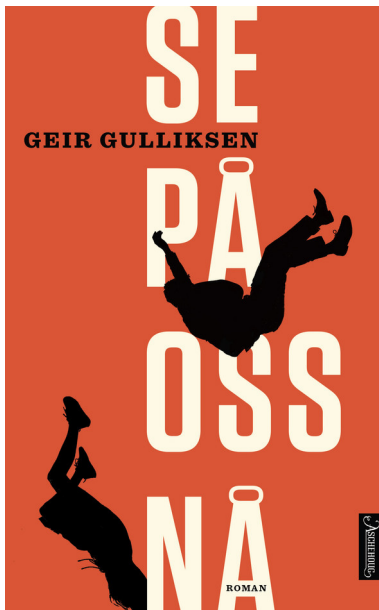
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On seeing yourself from the outside and having no idea what you're looking at.

Desire can surface when one least expects it. And sometimes chance encounters can have surprising repercussions. Hans Kassajordet meets Harriet Aakre. They dislike each other immediately, but in spite of this, an attraction develops. Their encounter has far-reaching consequences—not just for Hans and Harriet, but also for their partners Ingunn and Pål, their children, their colleagues, and even old flames and the people around them.

Hans is a PR consultant at Olof Evald's agency. Ingunn is a high-level bureaucrat. Harriet runs a small film distribution company. And Pål is an adviser to prime ministerial candidate Salomon Olsen. They all hold prominent positions and are driven by their fascinations, infatuations, and fantasies.

Look at Us Now is a novel about strong emotions, humour and embarrassing situations. It is also a series of love stories – about how easy it is to become attached to one another, how easily we lose ourselves to the other, and how difficult it can be to pull yourself together again.



"Wonderfully well-crafted"

Dagbladet

"Makes embarrassing sex into good literature"

Aftenposten

"Clever and thought-provoking"

NRK

"One of the most memorable scenes I have read in a very long time"

VG

"Very, very funny"

Dagens Næringsliv

Geir Gulliksen (b. 1963) is a highly acclaimed Norwegian writer and publishing editor at Oktober. He debuted in 1986 and since then has written poems, essays, plays, novels and children's books. His children's book *Iben og forvandlingen* (2012), illustrated by Anna Fiske, was nominated for the Norwegian Brage Award. *Kan vi gjøre det igjen* (2013) is an almost complete collection of his nonfiction works. Gulliksen was also nominated for the Ibsen Award in 2013 for the play *En kropp* and also received great recognition from the National Theatre for the play *Demoner* in 2014. His latest children's book *Joel og Jo*, also illustrated by Anna Fiske, was nominated for the Nordic Council's Children's and Youth Literature Prize in 2015. In the autumn of 2015 his novel *Historie om et ekteskap* (Story of a Marriage) was published in Norway to great critical acclaim.

Foreign sales

Croatia (Fraktura d.o.o.), Denmark (Hr. Ferdinand/ JP/Politikens Forlaghus), Finland (Siltala), France (Buchet Chastel), Germany (btb Verlag), The Netherlands (Ambo Anthos), Sweden (Wahlström & Widstrand/ Albert Bonniers)

Awards

The Norwegian Literary Award: P2 Listeners Novel Prize 2015
The Aschehoug Award 2014

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