

## Nora Dåsnes

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS**  
GRAPHIC NOVEL

### Cross My Heart and Hope to Die *Ti kniver i hjertet*

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English sample translation available

Nothing is as before when Tuva and her friends start seventh grade. While one of them now has a boyfriend and another hates everything about falling in love and having boyfriends, Tuva finds it hard to choose sides. Besides, Tuva plans to fall in love herself. Then Miriam shows up. Can you fall in love with a girl and at the same time like the most popular boyband?

A graphic novel with LGBT topic for age 9 and up.

**Winner of the 2020 Ministry of Culture's Prize for best children's graphic novel, of the 2021 Norwegian Booksellers Children's Books Scholarship and of the 2020 Pondus Prize.**

**Awarded Gold in Best illustrations children's book 2021 - The GRAFILL's Visual Prize The Year's Most Beautiful Books (the Norwegian Designer's Guild)**

Nominated for the 2021/2022 Avid Reader Award "Bokslukerprisen" and the 2021 Children's Book Prize (Bergen Library)



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'A debut of an extraordinary high standard, among others through Dåsnes' grip of the details. In *Cross My Heart and Hope to Die*, so much can depend on a small glance, minimal facial expressions, and a father's raised eyebrows. And that's pretty big.'

*From the jury's statement, the 2020 Ministry of Culture's Literary Prize*