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The Cleaning Lady *Vaskedamen*

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CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS
PICTURE BOOK



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— Are you rich, or something, since you're hiring a cleaning lady? her friends ask Lotten.

-- No, Mom and Dad just get so tired because of work, and then there is so much hassle with two children, Lotten responds.

But who is she, the cleaning lady? What's it like to have a cleaning lady at home? And what will it be like when she'll vacuum in Lotten's room?

Anna Fiske (b. 1964) grew up in the south of Sweden, but now lives in Oslo. Her one-woman-magazine *Rappel* with comics for children has won a number of prizes. She also makes comics for an adult audience. Her work for children is in the great Scandinavian tradition of children's literature, i.e. Tove Jansson and Astrid Lindgren.

Grandmother and I, part of her autobiographical series about Anna and her grandmother, has been translated into Finnish, (Finnish comics centre) her graphic novel for adult readers *Dancing on the carpet* has been translated into Swedish (Optimal), and *From the Tube to the reclining chair* has been translated into Swedish (Nypon).

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'When Anna Fiske is at her best, she is completely unrivaled. Like now. (...) Read the book once by yourself, before you read it with your children. In this way you can sit and cry a little by yourself, without it becoming embarrassing and awkward.'

Dagbladet - gives the book 6 out of 6 stars

'Heartwarming about friendship (...) her best children's comic this far.'

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