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### About the Author

**Boaz Lavie** is a writer, filmmaker, and game designer residing in Tel Aviv. He has written screenplays for popular Israeli TV shows, including for the Israeli leading broadcast TV channel. He was the film section editor for a major Israeli website, and has published stories in several literary magazines. "The Lake", a short film he has written and directed, was featured in Academy Award qualifying events such as The San Francisco International Film Festival, Slamdance, Palm Springs Film Festival, and others. It has won critical acclaim and was selected by the film magazine SF360 as one of the best five undiscovered films for 2010.

**Asaf Hanuka** is a comics artist whose books have been published in The U.S, France, Italy, Spain, Turkey, Israel and Korea. With his twin brother Tomer he created "Bipolar" comics (2000-2005) which garnered nominations for both the Ignatz and Eisner Awards. Asaf was also nominated for Eisner award for his book "Pizzeria Kamikaze" with writer Etgar Keret (2006). His recent book, "The Realist" (2012), is an autobiographical comics about his life in Tel Aviv, has won a Gold Medal from The Society of Illustrators, and was translated into many languages. Asaf has contributed to the art of Oscar-nominated doco-animation film "Waltz with Bashir."

**Tomer Hanuka** is an illustrator whose work has been featured on book covers, in magazines and in film. He has won multiple gold medals from the Society of Illustrators and the Society of Publication Designers and his work has been showcased in Print magazine and American Illustration. He also contributed art to the Oscar nominated "Waltz with Bashir." With his twin brother Asaf, Tomer created "Bipolar" comics (2000-2005) which garnered nominations for both the Ignatz and Eisner Awards. A collection of his illustrations, titled "Overkill," was published in 2012. In 2014 he illustrated the Valentine's Day themed cover of The New Yorker magazine.

Their most recent work is the graphic novel *The Divine*.

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