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# The Best American Comics 2015





# Synopsis

⠜As I know well from my own field, true vitality consists of stuff thatâ <sup>™</sup>s further off the radar of general acclaim. The influx of raw arrivals. The deep cuts.â • â "Jonathan Lethem, from the Introduction Featuring Gabrielle Bell, Mat Brinkman, Roz Chast, Anya Davidson, Eleanor Davis, Jules Feiffer, Blaise Larmee, Raymond Pettibon, Ed Piskor, Joe Sacco, Esther Pearl Watson, and others. JONATHAN LETHEM is the author of nine novels, including Motherless Brooklyn, The Fortress of Solitude, Gun, with Occasional Music, and most recently Dissident Gardens. BILL KARTALOPOULOSÂ is a Brooklyn-based comics critic, educator, curator, and editor. He teaches comics history at the School of Visual Arts. More information may be found at on-panel.com.

# **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Way too much useless, unreadable junk. Some tickled me though I wouldn't buy the original (these are all samples). But, maybe half I just couldn't get anything out of. So much pointlessness - is it down to America's production in 2015 or the editor's taste? Several standout normal comics, but I knew about all but two already.

A lot of incomprehensible, stream-of-consciousness junk. Very little depth here aside from a couple gems in the rough. The excerpts in this edition are particularly frustrating, as ideally they would tell a whole and interesting story or give you a good idea on what you would expect from the author. Unfortunately, it does neither of these well. A low point over the last couple of years. The one

positive is there is a wide variety of interesting art styles in this book.

Typically for the series to date, some are outstanding and some left me scratching my head. I appreciate craftâ " draftsmanship, storytelling, etc. When one of these elements are missing, it's a disappointment. Why some stories, when compared to the entire field, made the cut is beyond my understanding.

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