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**Noah Van Sciver : Fante Bukowski** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Fante Bukowski:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. AwesomeBy Sibat TazwarLoved the book. I would recommend it for every other starving soul. I could connect with this book in so many levels. That's why I gave it all the stars I could

possibly give. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Definitely one of the best comics of the year. By Kathy Rose Van Sciver is really establishing himself as the voice of a generation with his recent work. This comic pokes fun at the old American trope of the tortured white male genius unappreciated by the philistine masses, but at the same time the reader begins to feel for the protagonist in all his ridiculousness. The story is like *A Confederacy of Dunces*, but funnier, better, and with amazing drawings. Someone give Noah Van Sciver a Pulitzer already! Can't wait for the next installment, and I would give more than five stars if I could. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A writer's writer By Phillip Schultz There is something about books about writers, whether self-referential or not, that doesn't appeal to me. This one isn't terrible though, maybe because it seems to poke fun at that type of story. Fante Bukowski is a "writer" that is on the verge of losing basically everything. Having never been published, he mooches off his parents to be able to continue this lifestyle, while making meager attempts to create something worth publishing. There are some entertaining interactions with fellow writers and agents. I think the thing that made this one fall short for me is that it is just too pessimistic. Anything that seems to be going well for Fante ends up slipping away. I didn't enjoy the art much either. Despite these personal shortcomings, it is told well. That alone saves it from being a throw away book.

This is a graphic novella about a talentless literary aspirant, told with Van Sciver's trademark compassion. Noah Van Sciver's latest graphic novella drops in on the life of the self-styled, aspiring young writer, Fante Bukowski, as he delusively makes his way to literary fame and fortune, one drink at a time. Living in a cheap hotel, consorting with the debased and downtrodden, searching for that golden idea that will rocket him to the success he yearns for as the great American novelist, and to get respect from his father once and for all. But, there's just one problem: Fante Bukowski has no talent for writing. Full-color illustrations throughout

Hilariously pokes fun at all the tropes involved with being a 'starving artist.' This work is noteworthy for its banter, slice-of-life dialogue, humorous observations on the human condition, and the narrator's raw cynicism. - EBSCO With the graphic novella Fante Bukowski, Noah Van Sciver penned the funniest thing I've read all year. ... At its deepest, Fante Bukowski stands as a commentary on hordes of recognition-hungry artists with nothing to say, but as a straight parody, Fante Bukowski is hilarious enough to summon tears. - Tyler R. Kane, Paste Rising star Van Sciver once again skewers the self-important male figure, in this case a terrible writer who fancies himself a great novelist and pushes himself onto everyone. - Rob McMonigal, Publishers Weekly Short and sweet, humorous, needling to any aspiring writer but also inspiring, because as much as it's about you, the book's about someone nothing like you. All wrapped up in a perfect little package that I wish I could put in my pocket and carry around to read. Oh, wait, I can put it in my pocket and carry it around, awesome! - Jeffrey Brown (Funny Misshapen Body, Jedi Academy), Tech Times ... Van Sciver's tireless work ethic and ever-refining comedic chops made him the cartoonist to beat [in 2015]. In a year of highlights, however, Fante Bukowski is the volume to recommend to anyone still in the dark. ... Van Sciver knows how to give the reader just enough to enjoy the sensation of holding poor Fante in pleasant contempt. - Tim O'Neil, The A.V. Club ... Van Sciver's genius here is twofold: his goofy artwork, which always takes the narrative to surprising places, and the punchiness of his dialogue, which manages to convey the deadly serious consequences of Fante's hilarious goof-ups and general awkwardness. ... Fante Bukowski is filled with sharp, extremely observant gags...; it is easily one of the best new comics releases of 2015. - Aditya Mani Jha, The Sunday Guardian For anyone who has made a serious attempt at being a published author, reading this book is probably what a professional musician feels like watching This is Spinal Tap. Its hilarious, but also occasionally accurate to the point of being uncomfortable which makes it even funnier. ... That's not to say you have to be a failed or successful writer to enjoy this. But if you are, then you'll probably get more of the jokes. Or get more out of them. Either way, it's great. - Nick Nafpliotis, AiPT Noah Van Sciver gives us the sensational character find of 2015 in the person of Fante Bukowski, a man so obsessed with his idols that he changed his name to match theirs, although he never quite got around to making himself a good enough writer to live up to their example but he doesn't quite get that and that is all the fun of Van Sciver's brilliantly told story. - Brian Cronin, Comic Book Resources Fante is timeless... - Josh Bayer (Raw Power, Theth), Tech Times Van Sciver can tell a joke on the page and is kind of endlessly fussy and prolific in a way his comics pulsate with life and an eagerness to please... It's a good looking presentation, too. - Tom Spurgeon, The Comics Reporter A cynic would interpret Bukowski as a talentless whiner, passing real opportunity for a narcissistic fantasy, if it weren't for moments that allow the reader to genuinely empathize with him. ... Van Sciver's art captures the charm of alternative comics, a haphazard style that perfectly mirrors Fante's own attempts at authenticity. - Cody Ray Shafer, Under the Radar Its a funny short read and perfectly captures the kind of blind drive and self delusion that any artist probably needs to accomplish anything. - Tom Devlin (Drawn Quarterly) ... Fante Bukowski... continues its author's tradition of delivering caustic satire while still maintaining a degree of empathy for its flawed characters. ... Along the way, Van Sciver skewers artistic delusion and the commercial imperative, demonstrating that the ostensibly highbrow world of literature is as full of self-interested hustlers as every other muddy ditch where people see the promise of fame and riches on the other side. - Tom Murphy, Broken Frontier Bukowski may proudly carry the air of

confidence in himself and his writing but Van Scivers artwork always reminds us of just how rickety and unbalanced Bukowskis life really is. ...Van Sciver knows who Bukowski is but he also knows that in Bukowski, like hopefully in all of us, there is the potential for change and growth. - Scott Cederlund, Panel PatterAbout the AuthorNoah Van Sciver was born on July 7, 1984, and currently resides in Denver, CO. His work has appeared in Mad magazine, Sunstone, The Comics Journal, Mome, and numerous comics anthologies.