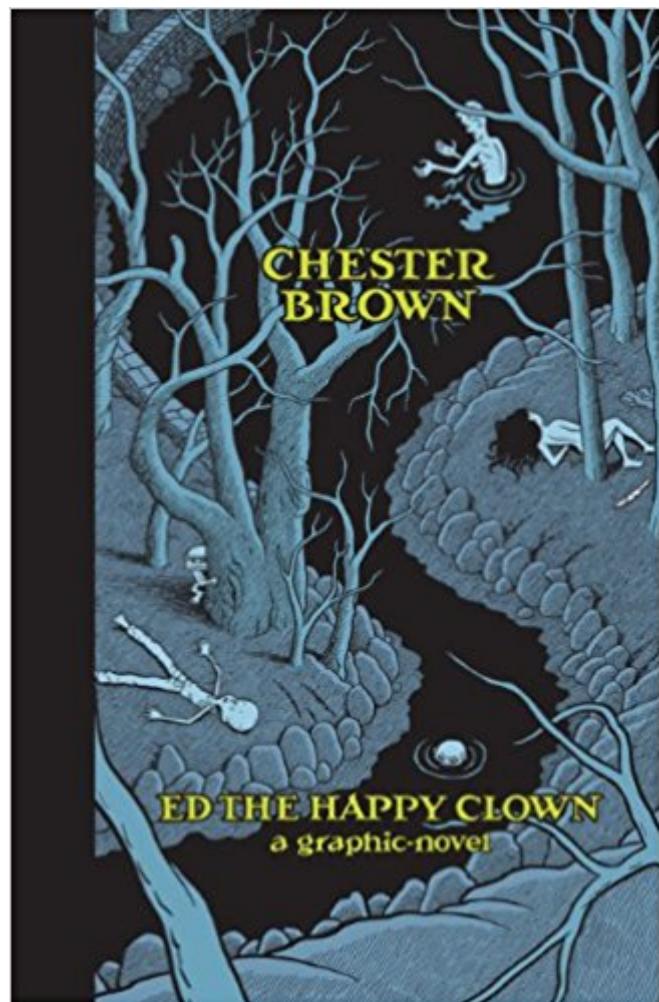


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Ed The Happy Clown



Synopsis

A LONG-OUT-OF-PRINT CLASIC BY A MASTER OF UNDERGROUND COMICSIn the late 1980s, the idiosyncratic Chester Brown (author of the muchlauded Paying for It and Louis Riel) began writing the cult classic comic book series Yummy Fur. Within its pages, he serialized the groundbreaking Ed the Happy Clown, revealing a macabre universe of parallel dimensions. Thanks to its wholly original yet disturbing story lines, Ed set the stage for Brown to become a world-renowned cartoonist. Ed the Happy Clown is a hallucinatory tale that functions simultaneously as a dark roller-coaster ride of criminal activity and a scathing condemnation of religious and political charlatanism. As the world around him devolves into madness, the eponymous Ed escapes variously from a jealous boyfriend, sewer monsters, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and a janitor with a Jesus complex. Brown leaves us wondering, with every twist of the plot, just how Ed will get out of this scrape. The intimate, tangled world of Ed the Happy Clown is definitively presented here, repackaged with a new foreword by the author and an extensive notes section, and is, like every Brown book, astonishingly perceptive about the zeitgeist of its time.

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Chester Brown lives in Toronto, where he ran for Parliament in the general election as a member of the Libertarian Party of Canada. His most recent book is *Paying for It*.

Remember, what is seen can't be unseen. I wish I'd never read this which is something I've never said before. I could see a group of teenage boys using quotes from this book as inside jokes but I think that's about its only redeeming social value.

Creepy and genius.

When I've read Chester brown books, I'm never really sure what exactly it is that I like. I think it's the way things all complement each other. This book has a lot of sudden moments, but it's very interesting (in a good way). I laughed more while reading this than any other book in recent memory. Certainly worth repeat reads. As with many of Brown's books, I love reading the notes almost as much as the book itself.

I had read *Paying for It*, so I knew the style but the creativity here is really something. Not for everyone, but I enjoyed it very much. Really enjoyed the analysis at the end.

GREAT BOOK!

... and it wasnt just because i was high when i was reading it. ed the happy clown is one of the most bizarre and original books i have ever read. i laughed out loud many times, scratched my head and said "wtf?" others. couldnt put it down. i dont have much by chester brown, will definitely pick up more of his stuff. it is really hard to describe this book, the best i can say is "surreal black comedy/horror" but that really doesnt scratch the surface here. highly recommend.

This book is not anything how I expected it to be, but that isn't bad. This book is filled with sex, violence, and some disturbing stuff. There is also a lot of humor and satire. The book starts out with some stories of the characters before it was a continued book, then the stories start to form into a surreal journey. Very good, but just different.

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