

Seconds

Ten years after the debut of his international bestselling *Scott Pilgrim* series, SelfMadeHero is delighted to be publishing Bryan Lee O'Malley's highly anticipated new standalone graphic novel, *SECONDS*, in the UK.

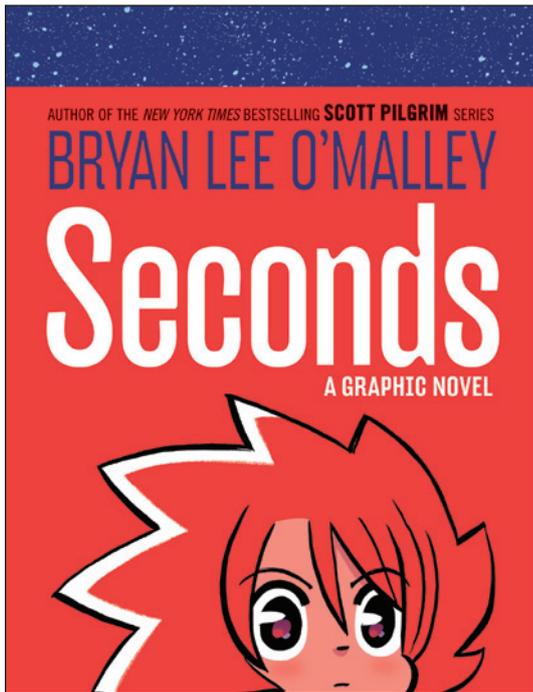


1. Write your mistake
2. Ingest one mushroom
3. Go to sleep
4. Wake anew

Katie's got it pretty good. She's a talented young chef, she runs a successful restaurant, and she has big plans to open an even better one. Then, all at once, progress on the new location bogs down, her charming ex-boyfriend pops up, her fling with another chef goes sour, and her best waitress gets badly hurt. And just like that, Katie's life goes from pretty good to not so much. What she needs is a second chance. Everybody deserves one, after all—but they don't come easy. Luckily for Katie, a mysterious girl appears in the middle of the night with simple instructions for a do-it-yourself do-over:

And just like that, all the bad stuff never happened, and Katie is given another chance to get things right. She's also got a dresser drawer full of magical mushrooms—and an irresistible urge to make her life not just good, but perfect. Too bad it's against the rules. But Katie doesn't care about the rules—and she's about to discover the unintended consequences of the best intentions.

SECONDS is a sharp-witted and tender-hearted tale about the fulfillment of our deepest wishes. Drawn in the same bold, quirky style as O'Malley's previous works, it entertains, uplifts and inspires. Katie is set to become another of his memorable, much-loved characters.



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"In *Seconds*, Bryan Lee O'Malley plays the angst of youth against the fabric of a larger epic. In doing so, he enriches both. A great ride!"
—GUILLERMO DEL TORO

"Bryan Lee O'Malley's *Seconds* is adorable, haunting, funny, and beautiful. A perfect recipe for a great graphic novel."
—SCOTT MCCLOUD, author of *Understanding Comics*



About the author

Bryan Lee O'Malley is one of the world's best-known graphic novelists. His multi-award-winning six-volume *Scott Pilgrim* series sold over 1.5 millions copies and was adapted into an acclaimed movie, *Scott Pilgrim Vs the World*. His first graphic novel, *Lost At Sea*, was published in 2003. Born in Canada, he now lives in Los Angeles.

Notes to editors

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