



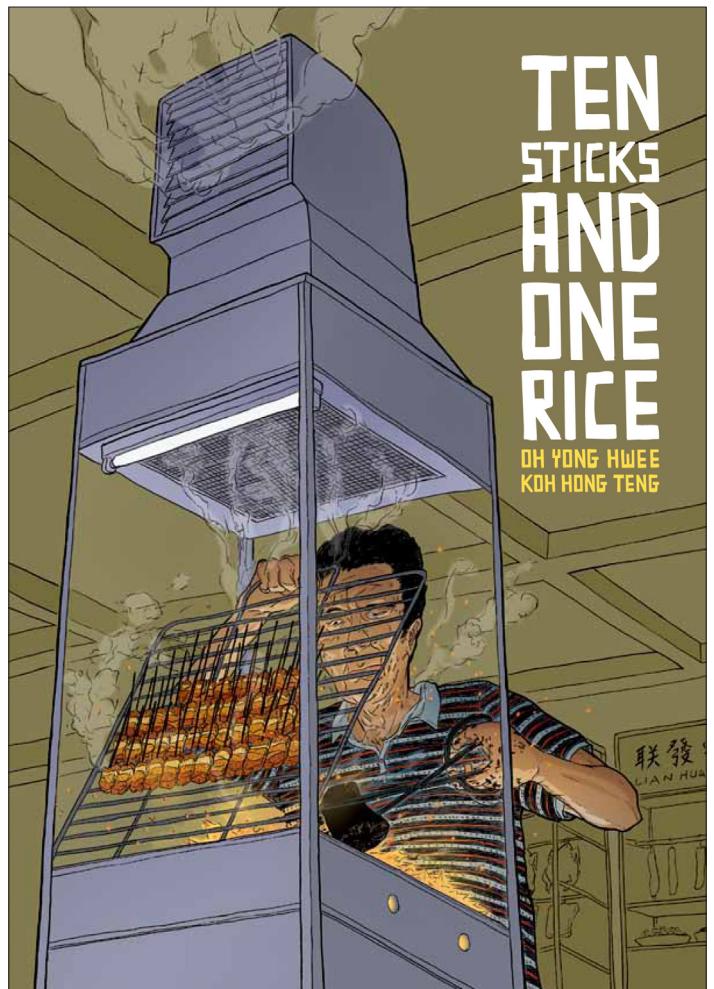
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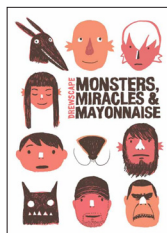


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## ABOUT THE CREATORS

Hong Teng is a comic artist and painter based in Singapore. He published the graphic novel *Gone Case: A Graphic Novel, Book 1 and Book* with writer Dave Chua in 2010 and 2011 respectively. In 2011, he was one of the recipients of the Arts Creation Fund from the National Arts Council. In 2012, he was commissioned by the National Library Board to illustrate a 16-page comic story for the irememberSG project. He was also appointed as an external examiner by Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts for final year illustration projects.

Yong Hwee is the CEO and Creative Director of Patroids Creative Works, a Singapore-based creative agency. He enjoys the challenge of conceptualising ideas that blend creativity and technology, and has won awards and accolades at the local, regional and international stage. In July 2011, Yong Hwee and comic artist Koh Hong Teng were invited by *The Straits Times* to imagine how a Singapore superhero would be like. Their co-creation was published in *Life!* He earned his BSc in Computing from the University of London while serving as a naval officer in the Singapore Navy.

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