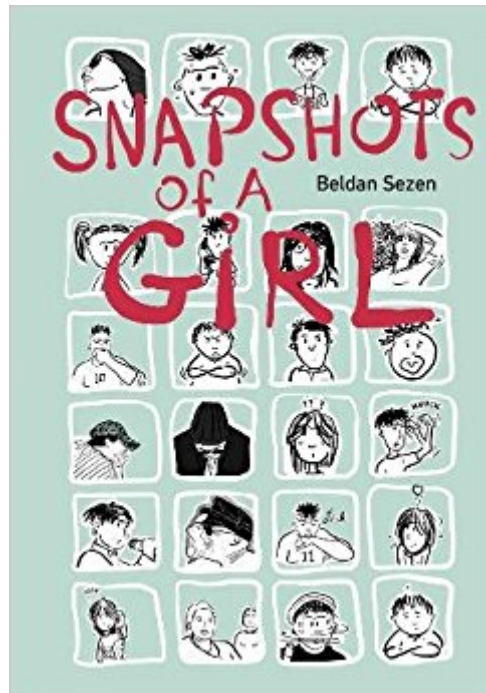




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Snapshots Of A Girl



Synopsis

In this autobiographical graphic novel, Beldan Sezen revisits the various instances of her coming of age, and her coming out as lesbian, in both western and Islamic cultures (as the daughter of Turkish immigrants in western Europe) to friends, family, and herself. Through a series of vignettes, she navigates the messy circumstances of her life, dealing with family issues, bad dates, and sexual politics with the raw honesty of a young woman looking for happiness. *Snapshots* is an amusing, thoroughly modern take on dyke life and cultural identity. Beldan Sezen's previous graphic novels were *Zakkum* and *#GeziPark*.

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"Beldan Sezen is a gifted cartoonist. Her delicate cartoon images are often quite spare, executed sometimes in exquisite detail and sometimes in simplified and stylized treatment. The ironic intelligence of the accompanying text and the innocent feel of the cartoons themselves make this a very impressive piece of work, a moving commentary on what it means to grow up female, brown and queer in contemporary Europe." —Vancouver Sun "Sezen's artwork shifts from just-above stick figure to photorealism and all points in between. She contrasts heartbreaking experiences with Muslim girls who can't handle the realities of coming out with a heart-warming scene in which a small, traditional gesture conveys her mother's acceptance." —The Advocate "[Sezen's] sketchy, almost dreamy, art is powerful. The black and white lines are stark on the page, providing a glimpse into Sezen's complex emotions. Readers can

feel them simmering below the surface through her art, but at the same time, there is whimsy present. It's not a memoir about facing difficulty, though Sezen certainly has her share of challenges, but rather, a celebration of finding yourself." Panels (Book Riot)

Beldan Sezen: Beldan Sezen uses drawing, collage and text to create stand-alone works and comic scenarios. Her writing and drawings are included in publications, anthologies and exhibitions. Her graphic novels "Zakkum" and "#Gezi Park" were shortlisted for Lambda Literary Awards.

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