

A look-and-learn book packed full of colourful wheels

# The Biggest and Cheeriest Book of All Vehicles

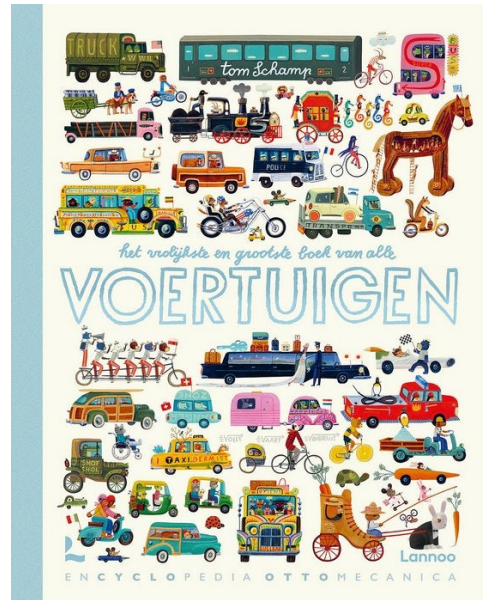
TOM SCHAMP

In this unusual and colourful look-and-learn book, Tom Schamp takes us on a journey through the centuries. Along with Otto we are given a cheery history lesson, from the invention of the wheel to the car of tomorrow. Schamp's Encyclopaedia Ottomecnica treats us to everything that has or once had wheels, from the Trojan horse to the Harley Davidson, from the stagecoach and the steam train to the Vespa, from the skateboard to the Honda Civic. We ponder emergency services that look different in each country, discover buses of every imaginable dimension and weight, and can choose on which racing bike we'd like to win a classic race.

**We seldom see so much humour, beauty and linguistic creativity.**

CUTTING EDGE, ON 'SHOW AND TELL ME THE WORLD'

'The Biggest and Cheeriest Book of All Vehicles' carries the unmistakable stamp of Tom Schamp. You'll never tire of looking at the packed pages with their vibrant colours. The illustrations could not be more accessible for young children, but at the same time they are full of knowing winks and surprising visual jokes that invite readers of all ages to pick up the book again, re-examine it and think up new stories. A book that fills both children and the adults reading to them with joy.



## AUTHOR



Tom Schamp (b. 1970) has developed a style all of his own, using acrylic paint on cardboard. His work is very colourful and his pages are often crammed full of people, animals and vehicles, offering the reader many hours of fun as they try to spot all of the details. He rarely uses pastel colours and prefers dark and rich shades. Schamp's illustrations are full of absurdities, allusions and wordplay, which makes them a feast for the eyes. *Photo © Eric Lowie*

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