

Joyful neighbourhood story that embraces everyone

# Time to Party!

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The neighbourhood wants a party. Not just any old party – no, a party with children's slides and fireworks, swimming and skating. But what to do about Hans? He's the neighbour who is always finding fault. And not inviting him is not an option. So instead they ask Hans to organize the party himself; that way at least he won't be able to criticize everything. But is Hans capable of throwing a fun party?

## Lavish pictures and an ode to the introvert

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In this upbeat picture book, Bouke Billiet has the diverse cast of neighbours speak with one voice, creating a wonderful atmosphere of togetherness. Neighbour Hans turns out to be a critical introvert, who would like nothing better than to withdraw with a book. But he knows what the neighbours want, so he respects their wishes by throwing a riotous bash. Marjolein Pottie presents spreads packed with fun details and full of exuberant colours, set in a contemporary urban environment. A book to bring a smile to your face.

## The author has grasped the art of expressing things exquisitely in simple language.

PLUIZER ON 'TONY'



## AUTHORS



Marjolein Pottie (b. 1970) has been illustrating children's books since the mid-1990s. Using a variety of techniques, she has nevertheless created a recognizable style. Her Knight Mouse plays the main role in his own animation series on television. Bouke Billiet (b. 1981) loves books and the environment. As well as picture books, he writes novels for adults. Humour is never far away in his work.

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