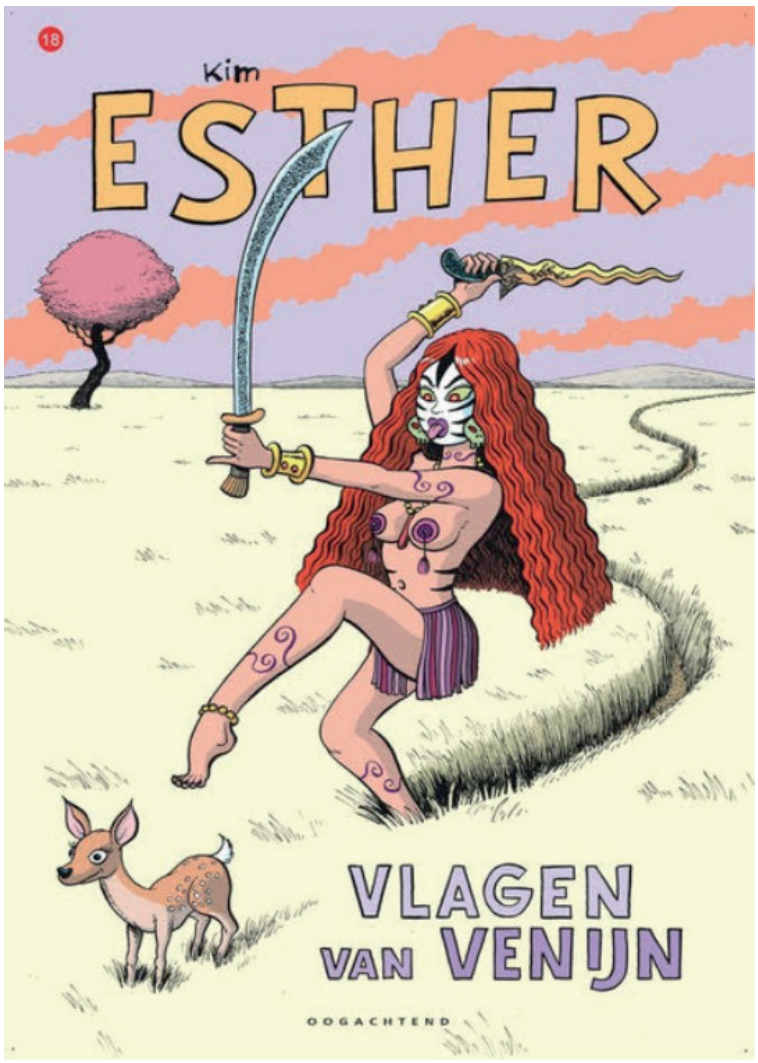


Esther series

Kim Duchateau

Esther Verkest first crawled out of Kim's pen in the year 2000 and she's had many an adventure since. Her name may sound plain, but her life is anything but that. This red-headed heroine gets up to all kinds of kinky business. But beware, while she may be styled as a sexy pin-up, she is anything but a passive sex-object. In fact, it is this stereotype from comic history that our strong-willed, hard-headed Esther means to parody. Esther still appears biweekly in Eppo magazine.

Kim *(Kim Duchateau, Sint-Truiden 1968) is a comic artist, cartoonist, illustrator, musician, and writer. He studied animation in Ghent and publishes in countless Flemish papers and magazines. His Esther series has appeared in Stripglossy, Eppo, and Playboy.*



"Every opening image, in which Kim mocks classic pin-up photos, is fit to be blown-up and framed. You could fill an album with them."

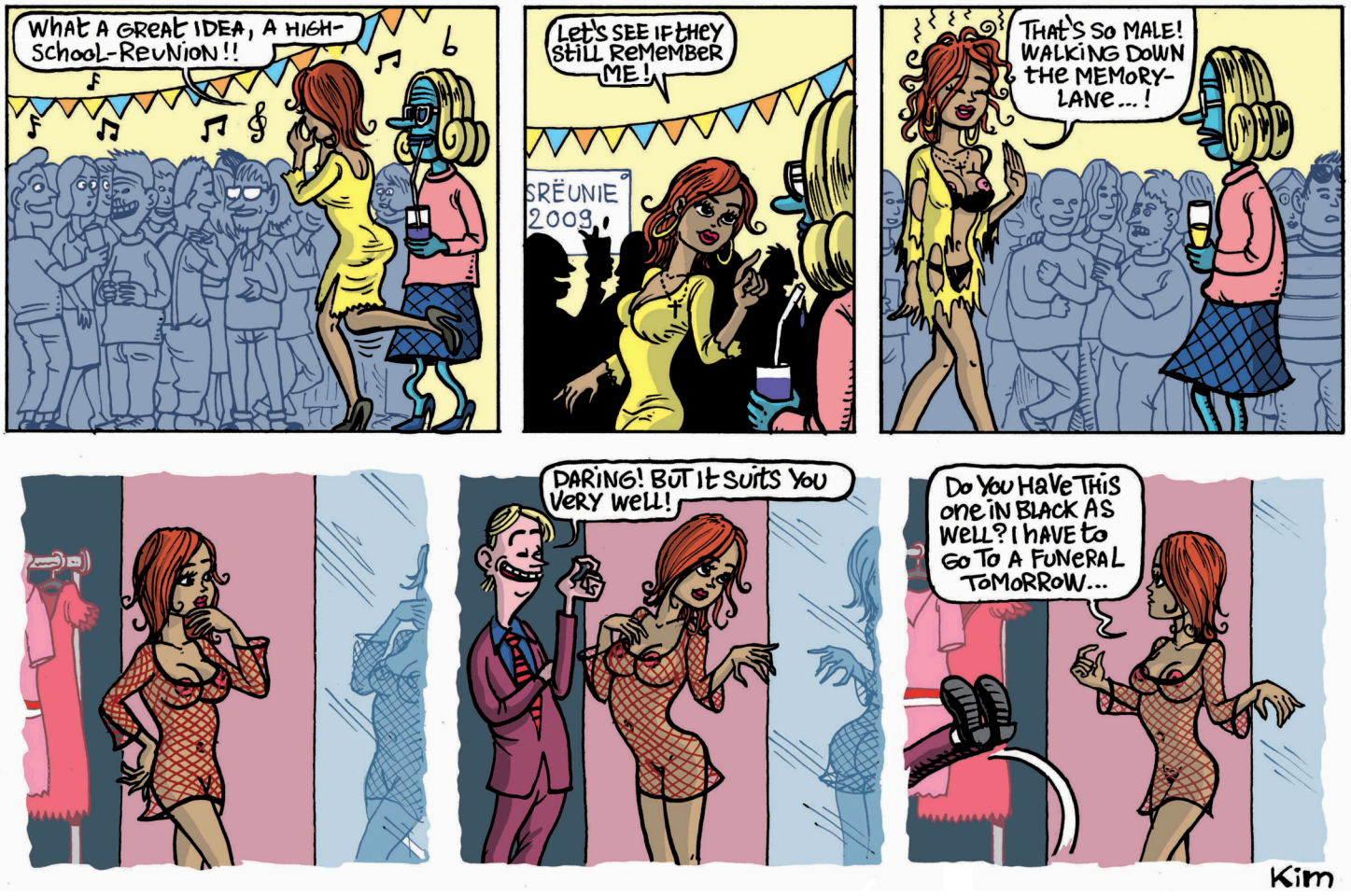
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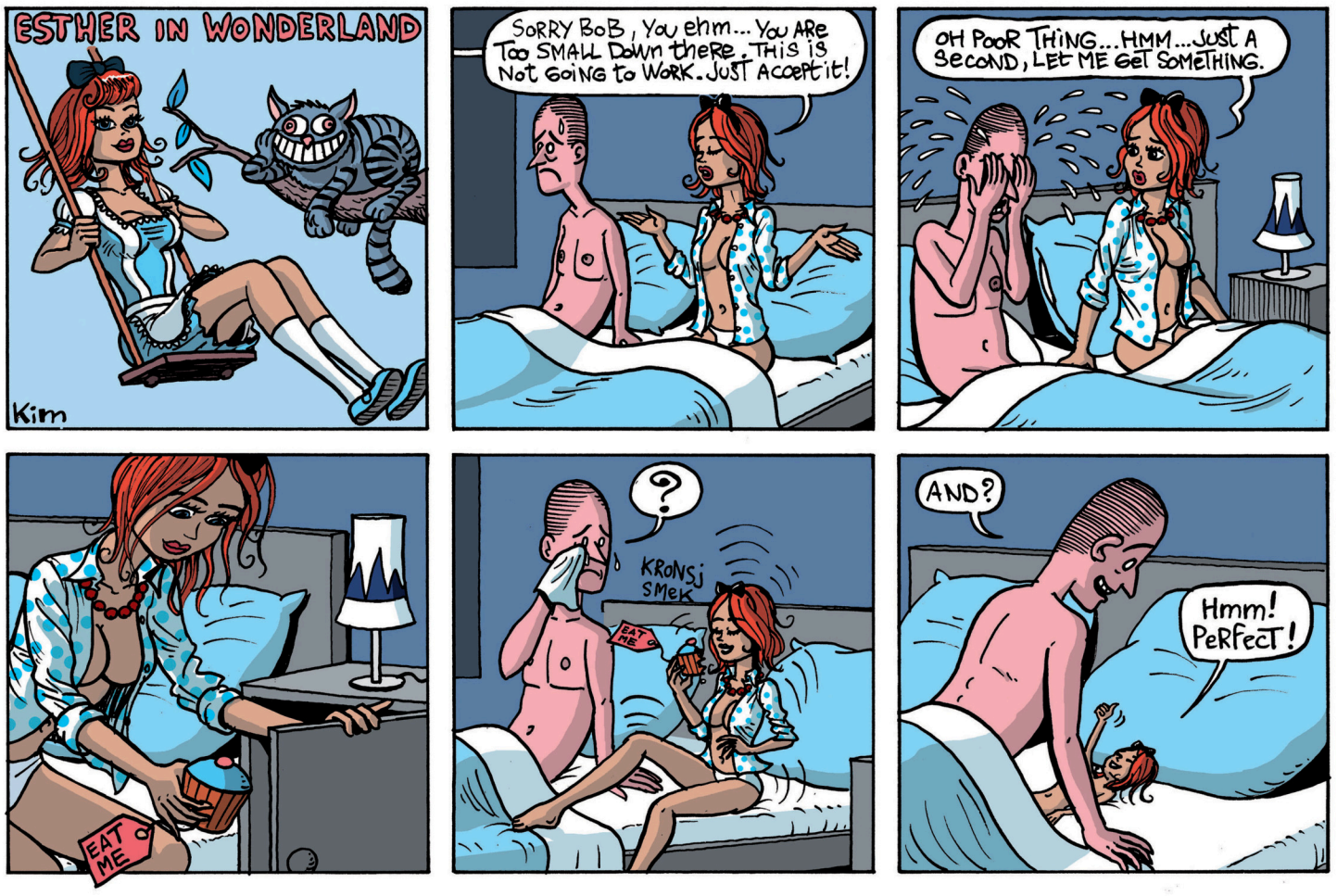
"The sexy Esther isn't the only reason this comic is so successful. It's also incredibly funny. The comic is built on surreal situations, absurdity, and sometimes even sadistic humour."

Peter Moerenhout (journalist)

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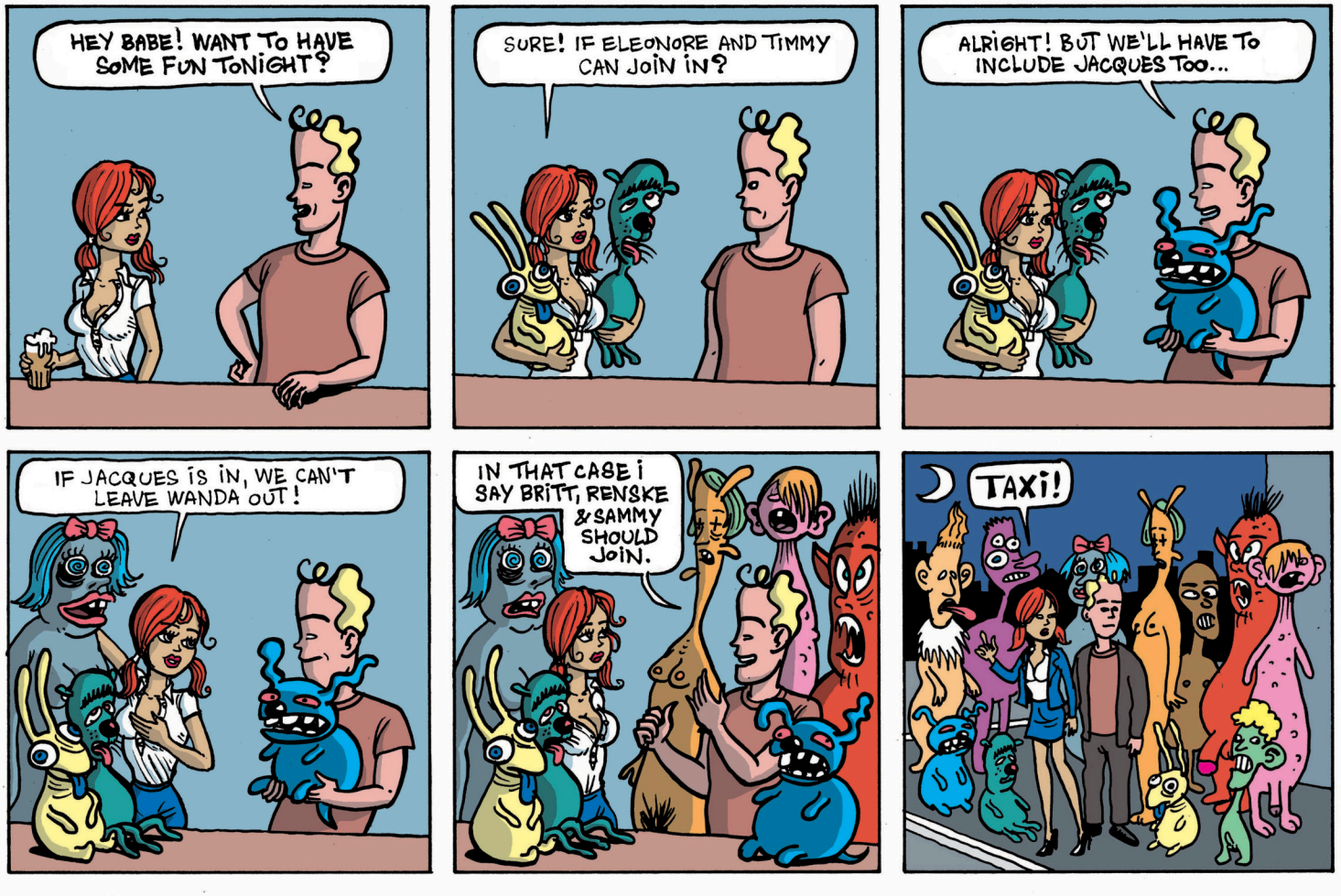
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WHAT A GREAT IDEA, A HIGH-SCHOOL-REUNION!!
LET'S SEE IF THEY STILL REMEMBER ME!
SREUNIE 2009
THAT'S SO MALE! WALKING DOWN THE MEMORY-LANE...!
DARING! BUT IT SUITS YOU VERY WELL!
DO YOU HAVE THIS ONE IN BLACK AS WELL? I HAVE TO GO TO A FUNERAL TOMORROW...
Kim

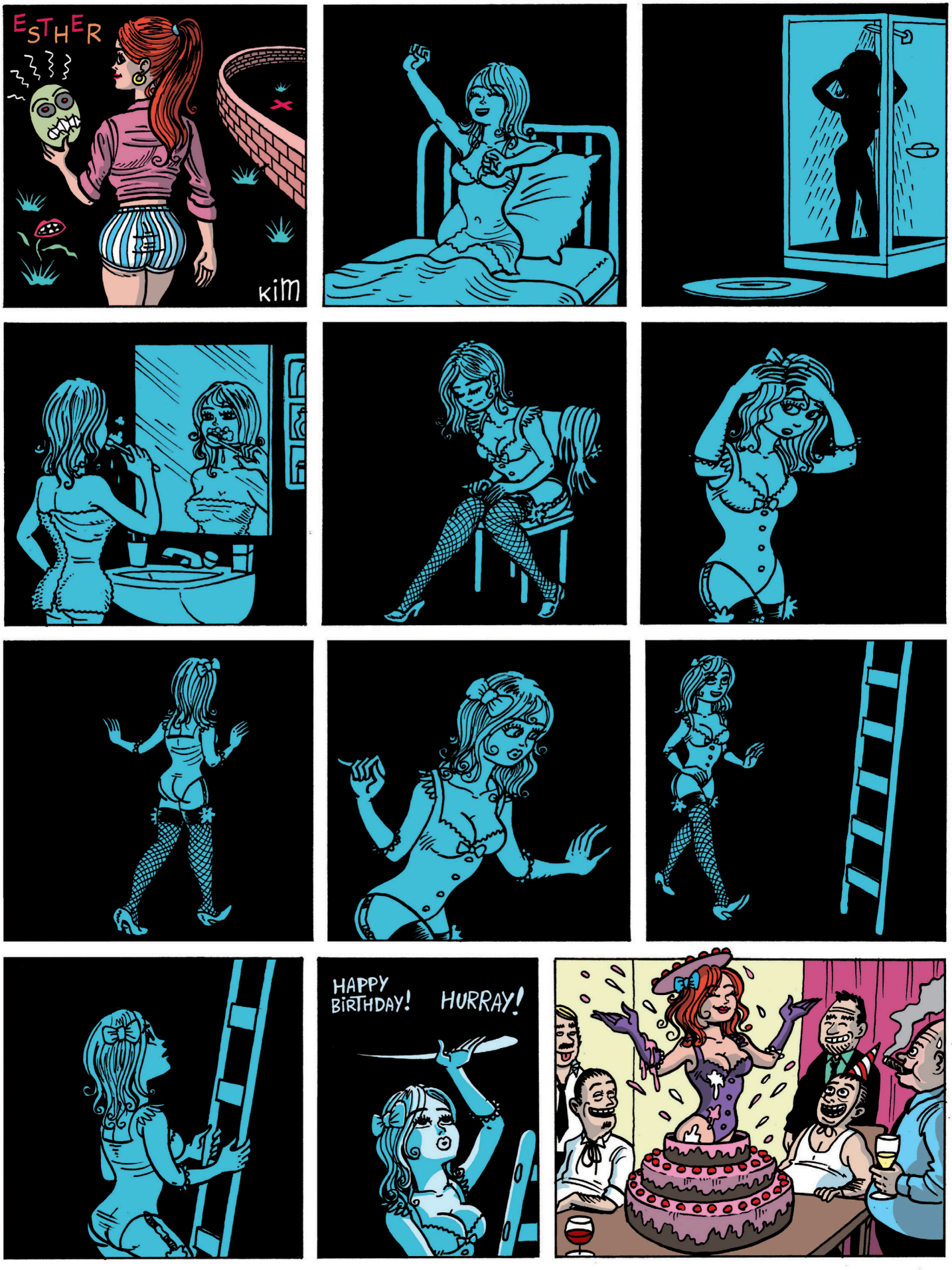

ESTHER IN WONDERLAND
Kim
SORRY BOB, YOU EHM... YOU ARE TOO SMALL DOWN THERE. THIS IS NOT GOING TO WORK. JUST ACCEPT IT!
OH POOR THING... HMM... JUST A SECOND, LET ME GET SOMETHING.
EAT ME
?
KRONSJ SMEK
EAT ME
AND?
HMM! PERFECT!

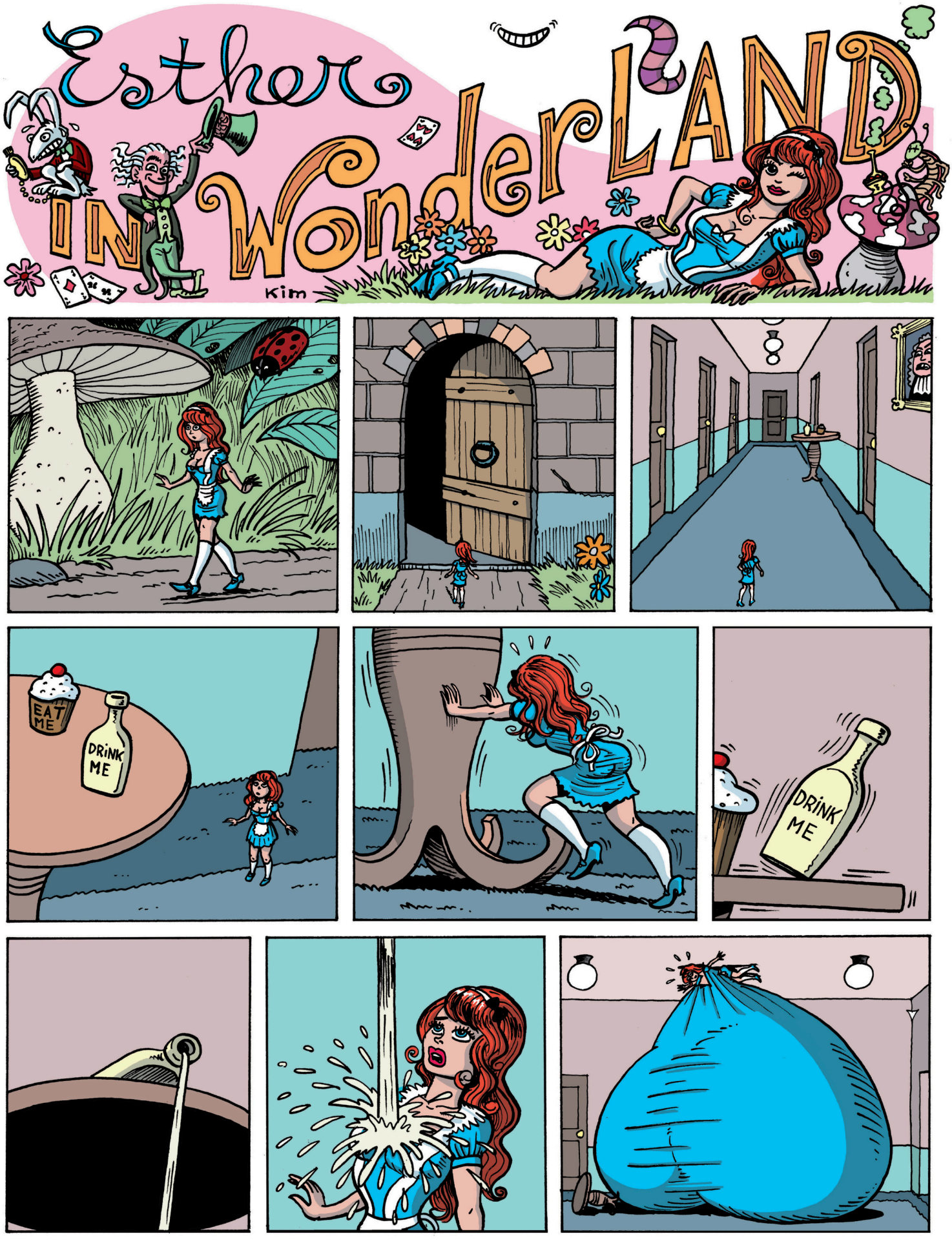

ESTHER
door Kim
Pfffffft....
KUS
Kim


ESTHER VERKERST
KIM
HUHUHU!
NO...
HOEHOE HOE!
HEE HEE HEE!
NONONO... HOW WAS IT AGAIN?
Let's FIND OUT!
ESTHER
YOU AGAIN? SAME STORY EVERY YEAR, HUH?
SORRY
HO HO HO!


HEY BABE! WANT TO HAVE SOME FUN TONIGHT?
SURE! IF ELEONORE AND TIMMY CAN JOIN IN?
ALRIGHT! BUT WE'LL HAVE TO INCLUDE JACQUES TOO...
IF JACQUES IS IN, WE CAN'T LEAVE WANDA OUT!
IN THAT CASE i SAY BRITT, RENSKE & SAMMY SHOULD JOIN.
TAXI!

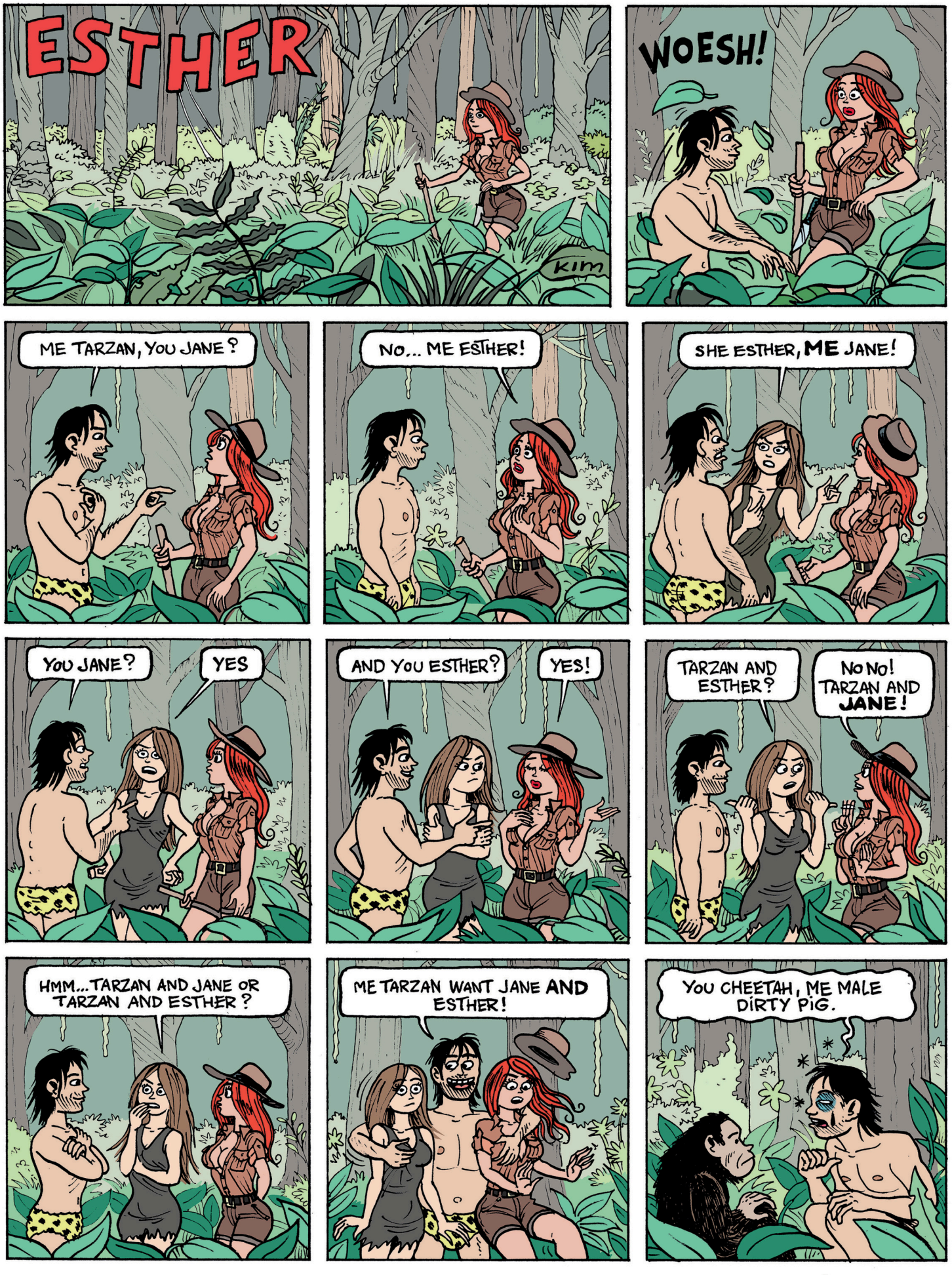

ESTHER
Kim
STRUCTURES & BUILDING


ESTHER
KIM
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
HURRAY!


Esther IN WonderLAND
Kim
EAT ME
DRINK ME
DRINK ME

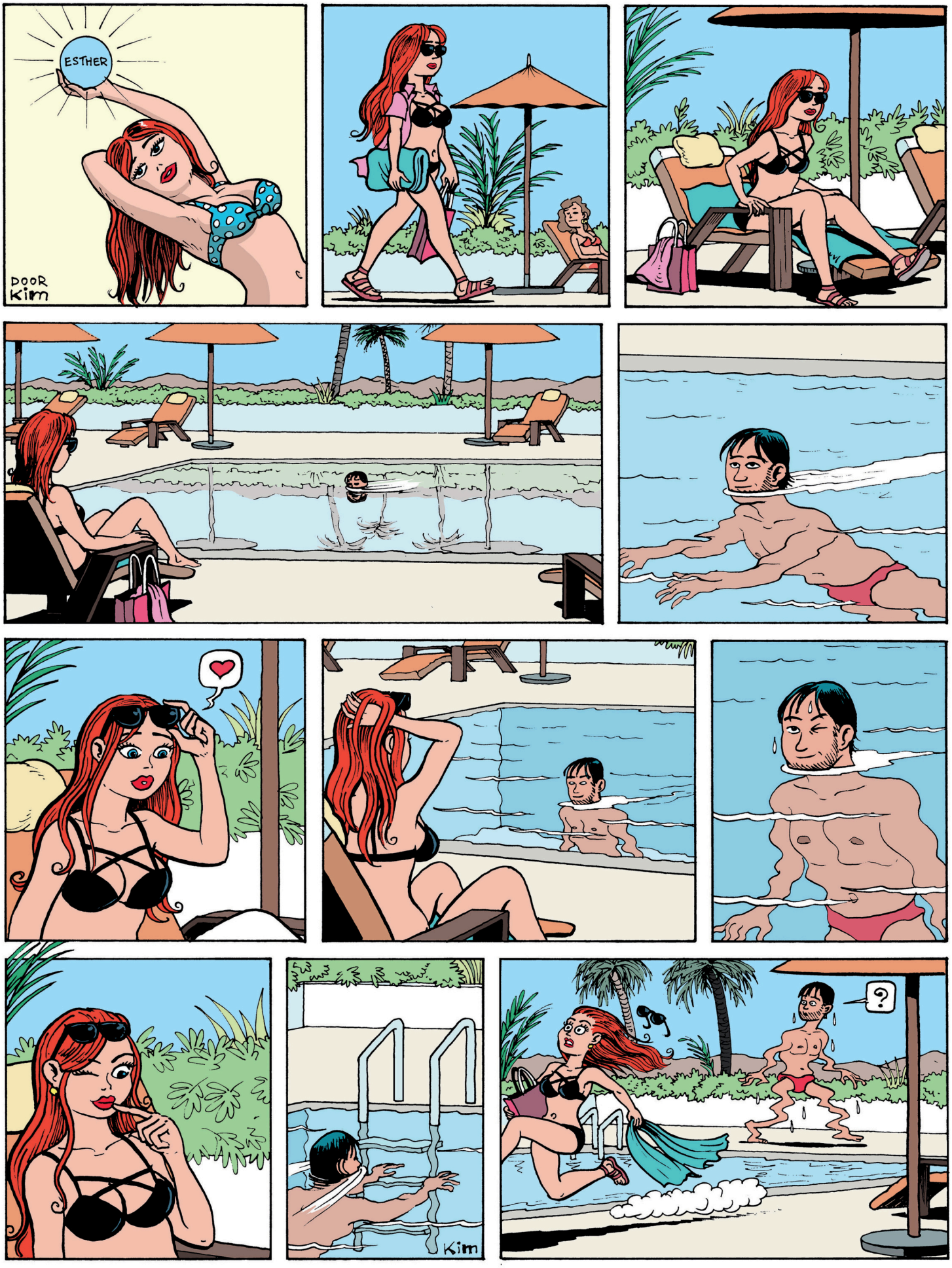

e s t h e r
Idee: Margot
Kim
HELP
SOS


ESTHER
Kim
Hello BEAUTIFUL.
YOUR PLACE OR MINE?
YOUR PLACE OR MINE?
YOUR PLACE OR MINE?
YOUR PLACE OR MINE?
YOUR PLACE OR MINE?
YOUR PLACE OR MINE?
YOUR PLACE OR MINE?
YOUR PLACE OR MINE?
YOUR PLACE OR MINE?
AH!?...SO... MY PLACE!?

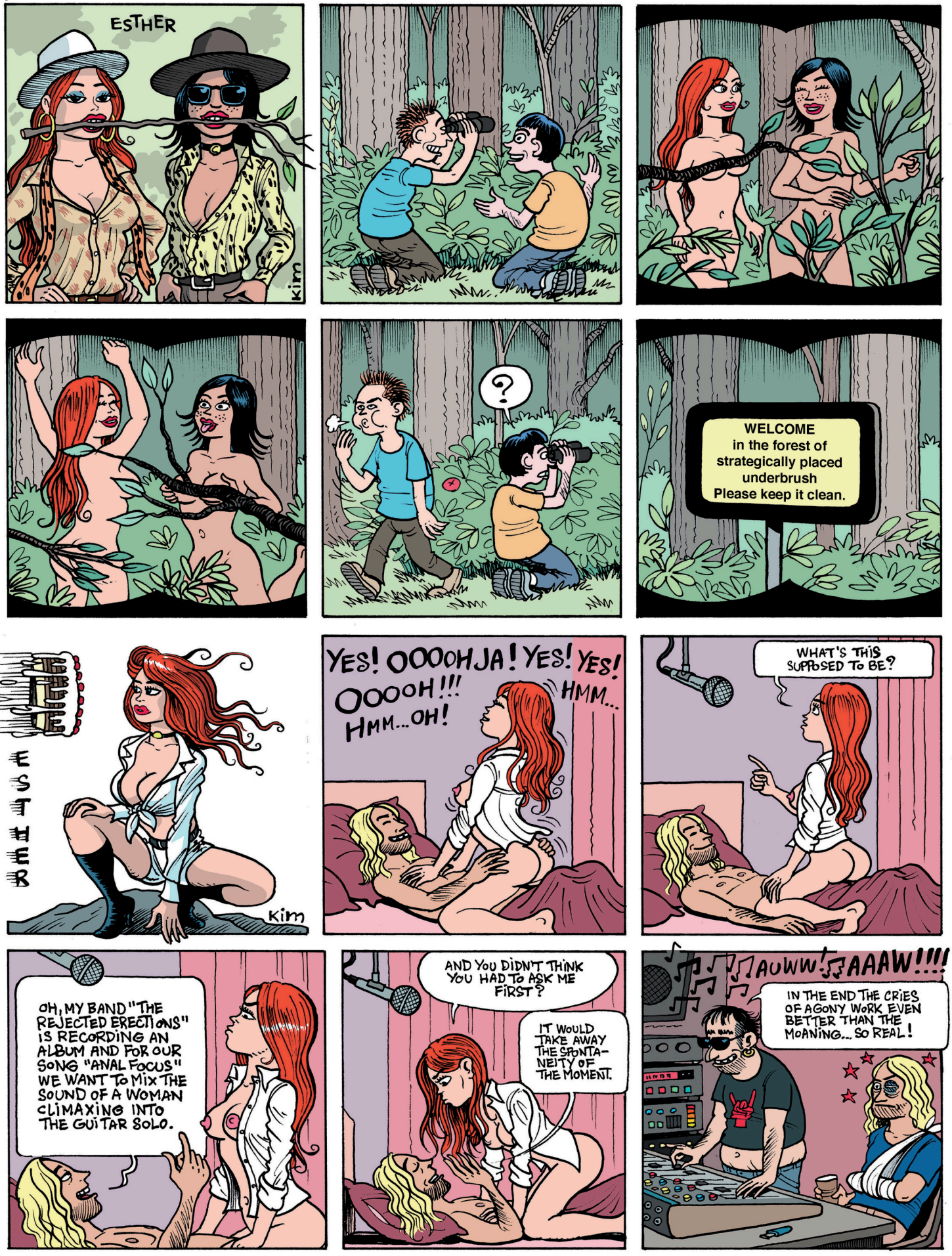

ESTHER
kim
WOESH!
ME TARZAN, YOU JANE?
NO... ME ESTHER!
SHE ESTHER, ME JANE!
YOU JANE?
YES
AND YOU ESTHER?
YES!
TARZAN AND ESTHER?
NO NO! TARZAN AND JANE!
HMM... TARZAN AND JANE OR TARZAN AND ESTHER?
ME TARZAN WANT JANE AND ESTHER!
YOU CHEETAH, ME MALE DIRTY PIG.

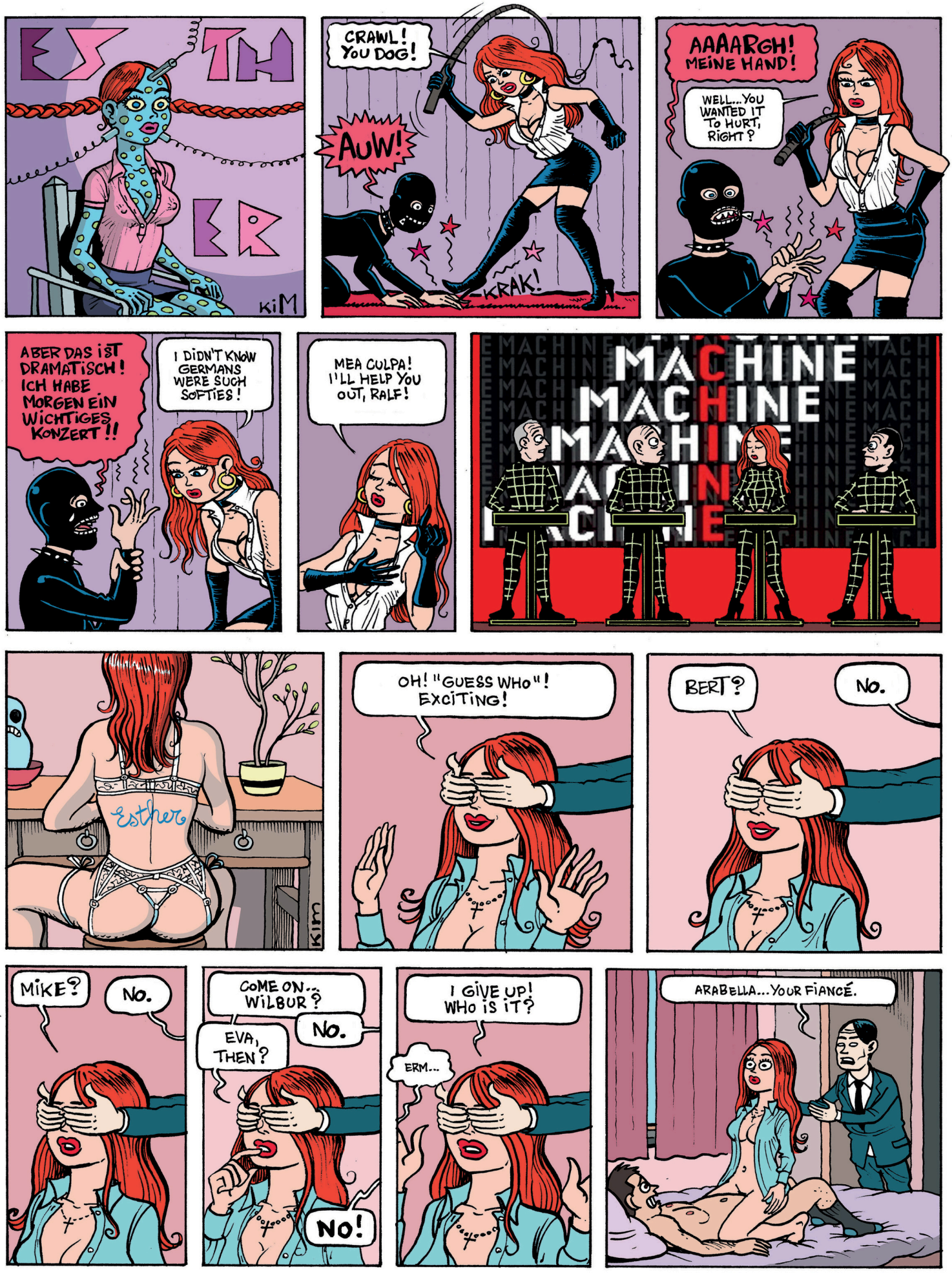

ESTHER
Kim
BOEM BOEMSIE B
EM TADA BOEM Bo
CAN I GET YOU A DRINK?
OEM TADA
BOENK BOEM BOEN
IF YOU'D LIKE SOMETHING TO DRINK?
EM BOEN
BOEM
SORRY! I CAN'T HEAR A THING!
NK BOEM TADA BO
MSIE BOENK BOEM
TADA BOEM BOENK
BOEMSIE
COULD I OFFER YOU SOMETHING TO DRINK?
FOR SURE!
EM TADA B


ESTHER
Kim
OKAY!
NOW I'M READY TO HAVE DINNER WITH YOUR PARENTS.
Esther
Kim
?
KTANK


ESTHER
DOOR
Kim
?
Kim


ESTHER
kim
TSJAK
TSJAK
TSJAK
ENJOY!
kim


ESTHER
kim
?
WELCOME
in the forest of
strategically placed
underbrush
Please keep it clean.
ESTHER
Kim
YES! OOOOHJA! YES! YES!
OOOOH!!!
HMM...
HMM...OH!
WHAT'S THIS SUPPOSED TO BE?
OH, MY BAND "THE REJECTED ERECTIONS" IS RECORDING AN ALBUM AND FOR OUR SONG "ANAL FOCUS" WE WANT TO MIX THE SOUND OF A WOMAN CLIMAXING INTO THE GUITAR SOLO.
AND YOU DIDN'T THINK YOU HAD TO ASK ME FIRST?
IT WOULD TAKE AWAY THE SPONTANEITY OF THE MOMENT.
♪AUWW!♪AAAW!!!!
IN THE END THE CRIES OF AGONY WORK EVEN BETTER THAN THE MOANING... SO REAL!


ESTHER
KIM
CRAWL! YOU DOG!
AUW!
KRAK!
AAAARGH! MEINE HAND!
WELL... YOU WANTED IT TO HURT, RIGHT?
ABER DAS IST DRAMATISCH! ICH HABE MORGEN EIN WICHTIGES KONZERT!!
I DIDN'T KNOW GERMANS WERE SUCH SOFTIES!
MEA CULPA! I'LL HELP YOU OUT, RALF!
MACHINE
MACHINE
MACHINE
esther
KIM
OH! "GUESS WHO"! EXCITING!
BERT?
NO.
MIKE?
NO.
COME ON... WILBUR?
NO.
EVA, THEN?
NO!
I GIVE UP! WHO IS IT?
ERM...
ARABELLA... YOUR FIANCÉ.