

Beowulf As You've Never Seen Him Before

It is important to note that never before has the story of Beowulf and Grendel been told in quite this way. It is not merely the action yarn of a warrior and a monster; it is a romance between the classic hero and a princess named Freawaru; it is a tale of political intrigue in the court of Hrothgar, King of the Danes, with his Queen, Wealtheow and Ingeld, a prince of the Heathobards. Most importantly, Beowulf the Legend is just the beginning of a series of original graphic novels chronicling the adventures of Beowulf during "the lost years" of the classic Old English poem, between Beowulf's victory over Grendel's mother and his death in battle against a dragon many years later.

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Originally composed in Anglo-Saxon, or Old English, sometime between the middle of the seventh century and the end of the tenth century, *Beowulf* is the story of the greatest hero of the Geats, a tribe who occupied southern Sweden in the fifth century. Like any great hero, he fights monsters and saves an entire kingdom, becomes a king himself, and eventually (many years after our story here) dies in glorious battle against a malevolent dragon.

Most people are familiar with the epic of *Beowulf* only as a poem they had to struggle through — in stilted, boring, senseless translation — in high school or college English class. This is a travesty, because such a negative experience tends to scare readers away from one of the most rousing, rollicking, heroic stories ever written.

Andy Lee's dynamic and shocking art perfectly captures the excitement, brutality, and glory of this story, making it both more accessible and more immediately visceral. We hope that our updated version of this classic tale inspires in you the same sense of wonder that it has always given us.

In Beowulf's own words, "Brūc ealles well!"

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The World of Beowulf
early 6th century c.e.