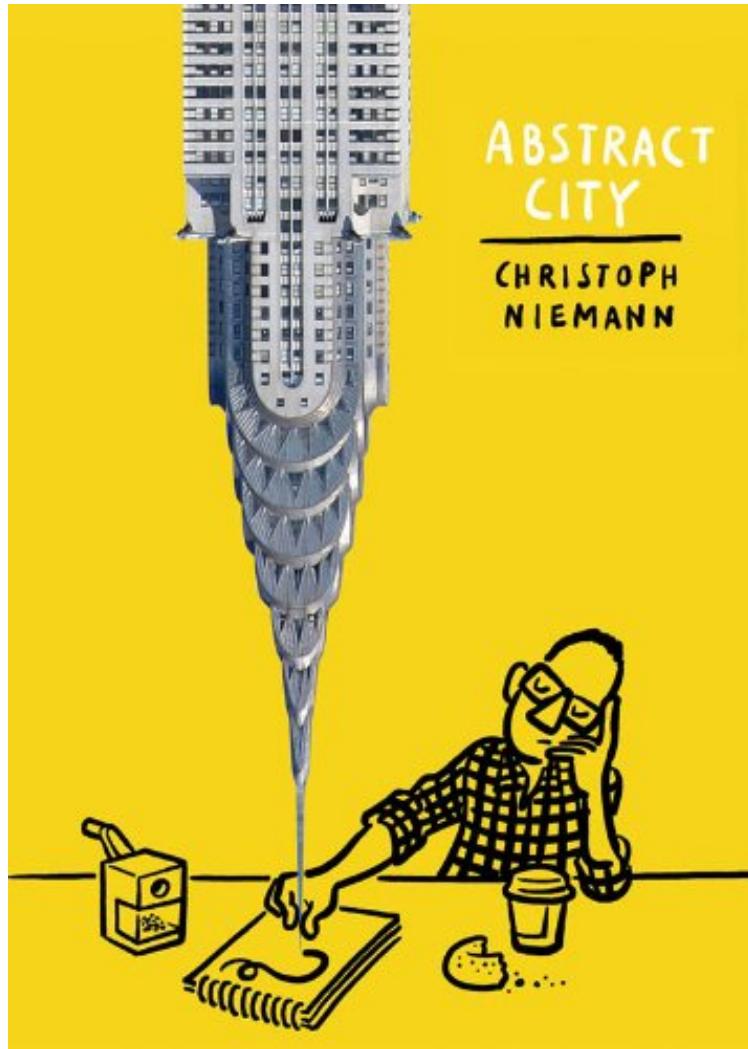


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In July 2008, illustrator and designer Christoph Niemann began *Abstract City*, a visual blog for the New York Times. His posts were inspired by the desire to re-create simple and everyday observations and stories from his own life that everyone could relate to. In Niemann's hands, mundane experiences such as riding the subway or trying to get a good night's sleep were transformed into delightful flights of visual fancy. The struggle to keep up with housework became a battle against adorable but crafty goblins, and nostalgia about New York manifested in simple but strikingly spot-on LEGO creations. This brilliantly illustrated collection of reflections on modern life includes all 16 of the original blog posts as well as a new chapter created exclusively for the book.

**About the Author**Christoph Niemann is an award-winning illustrator, designer, and childrenrsquo;s book author. He is a regular contributor to the *New Yorker*, *Wired*, and the *New York Times*. He lives in Berlin, Germany.