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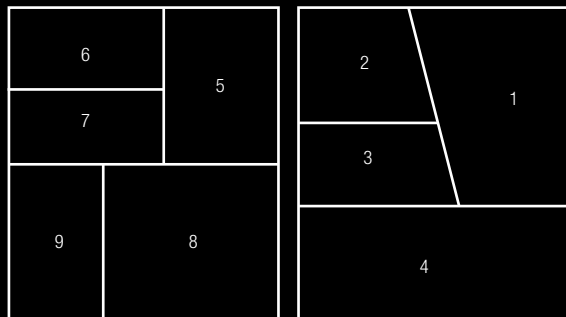
with the kind collaboration of
22 athletes



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of the following athletes

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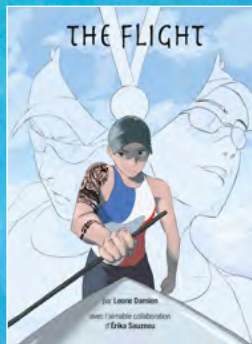
The Ipsen Foundation is proud to offer you this one-of-a-kind manga, the result of an inspiring collaboration between 22 mangakas and 22 extraordinary athletes. In anticipation of the 2024 Summer Games, we undertook an ambitious project to highlight the 22 sports disciplines that will showcase the greatness of this competition.

Page by page, each discipline comes to life through the artistic skills and passion of the mangakas, who infuse their creativity and dedication into every pencil stroke. Likewise, the athletes, with their determination and experience, have inspired each scene, movement and expression captured in these drawings.

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to the artists and athletes whose collaboration made this project possible.

Their contribution brought to life a manga celebrating diversity, resilience and the beauty of sports, thus reminding us that sporting excellence knows no borders.

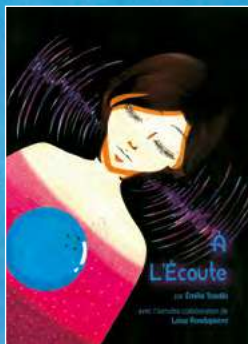
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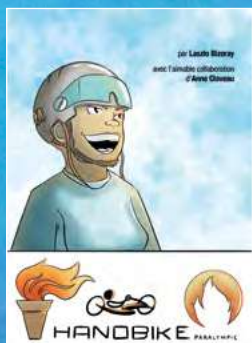
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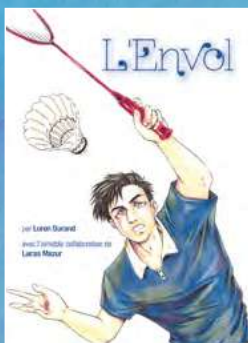
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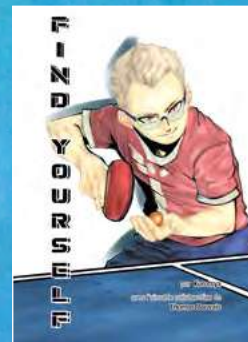


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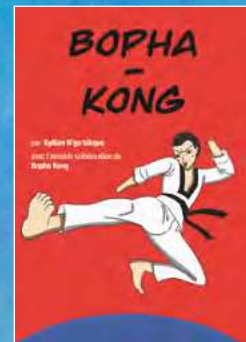


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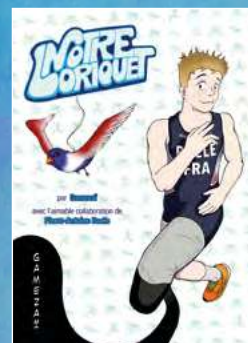
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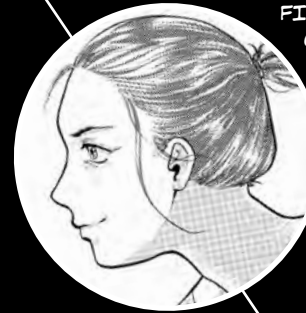
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WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

ATHLETE: ANNE-ÉLIZABETH D'ACREMONT

AT 13, ANNE-ELIZABETH D'ACREMONT GRADUALLY LOST THE USE OF HER LEGS. SHE HAS FOUND AN OUTLET IN HIGH-PERFORMANCE SPORT AND JOINED SEVERAL WHEELCHAIR RUGBY AND WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL TEAMS. SHE HAS ALSO COMPLETED SEVERAL TRAINING SESSIONS WITH THE FRENCH NATIONAL TEAM. SHE HAS BEEN ADVOCATING FOR GREATER RECOGNITION OF PARA-SPORTS,

PARTICULARLY FOR WOMEN. THIS FIGURE OF RESILIENCE ALSO COUNTS ON THE PARIS 2024 GAMES TO CHANGE ATTITUDES: "I HOPE PARA ATHLETES AND ABLE-BODIED ATHLETES WILL BE UNITED, BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE ARE ALL ATHLETES"



"

**WHETHER IT
BE SPORTS
OR PARA
SPORTS...
WE'RE ALL
ATHLETES
FIRST**

"

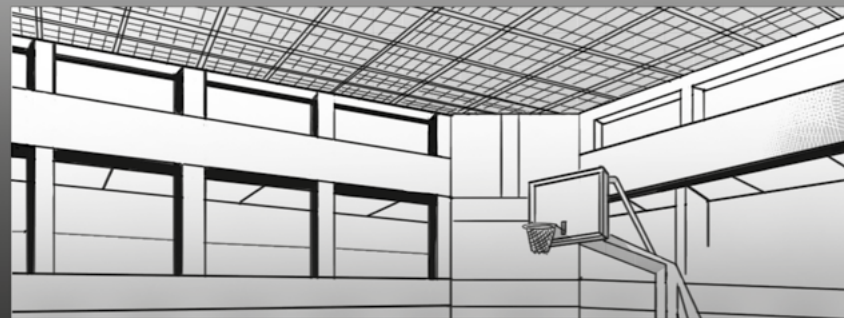
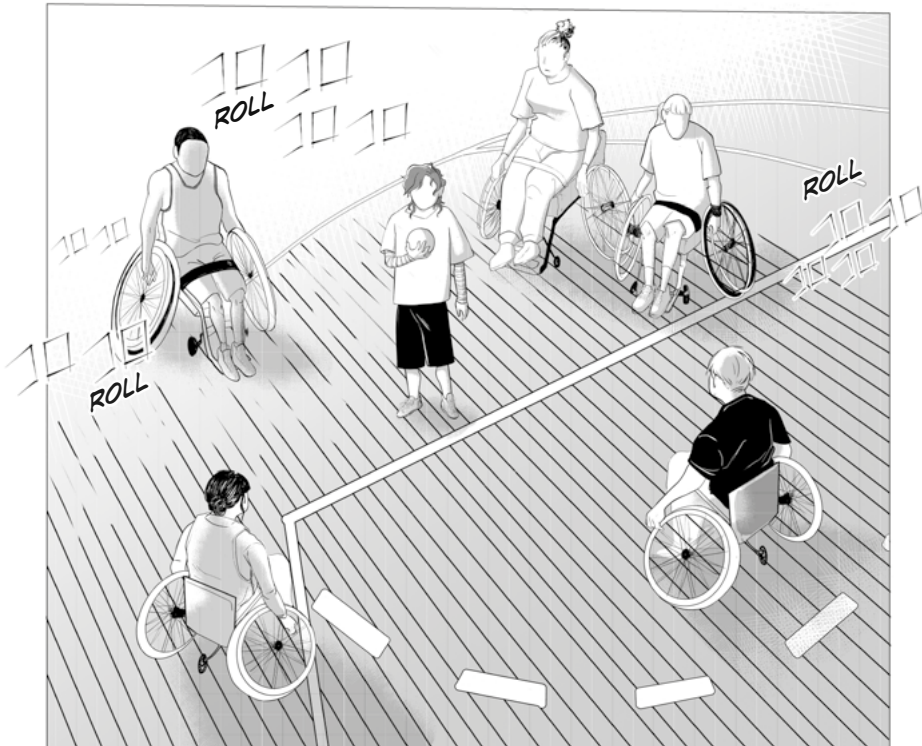
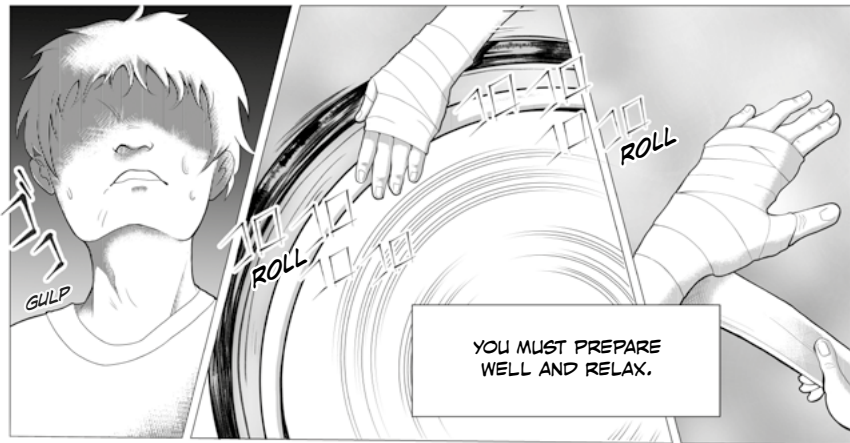
**MANGAKAS:
ESPÉRANCE SIMON,
INA SOFRONIEVA ET VINA**

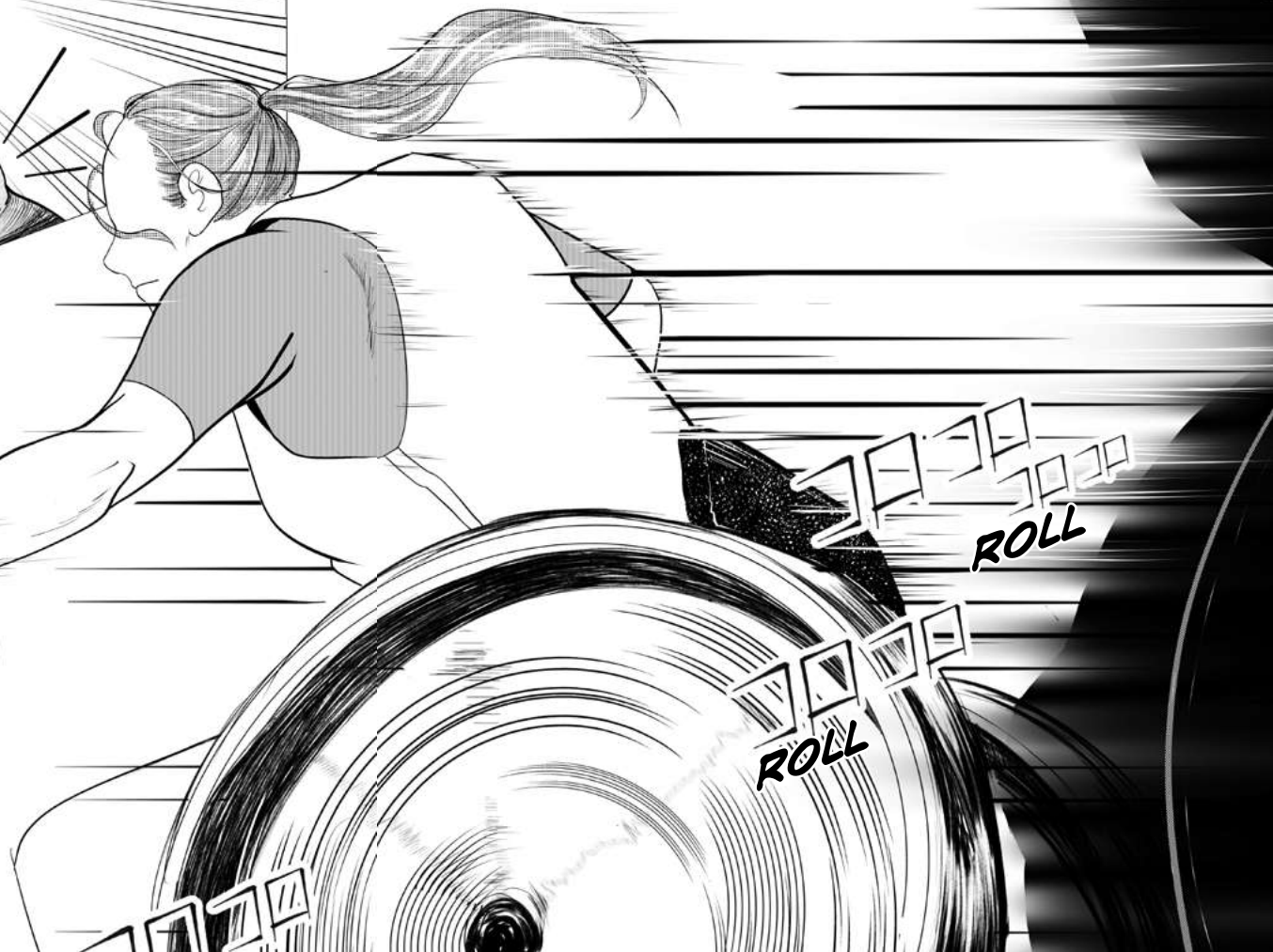
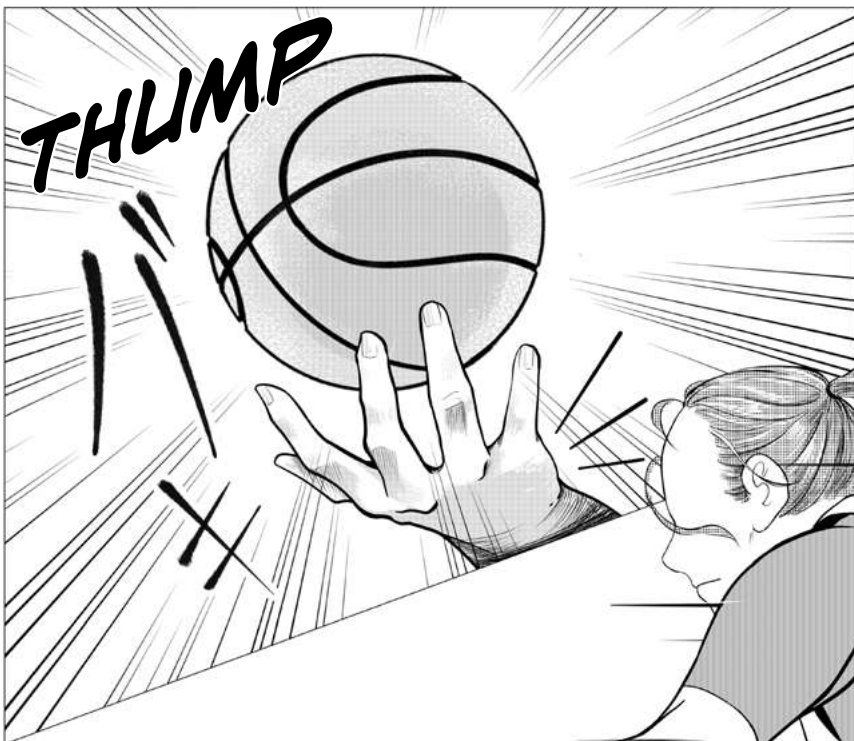
A THREE-FACED ARTIST...
ONE THAT LIKES RETRO STYLE,
ONE THAT LIKES SPIDERMAN
AND ONE THAT LIKES HATSUNE MIKU.

TEN PLAYERS
SPLIT
BETWEEN TWO
TEAMS WITH
ONLY ONE
GOAL : SCORE
A BASKET.

REACTIVITY
AND SPEED,
THAT'S
WHAT
BASKETBALL
...

...
REALLY IS ABOUT.





NEVER LOSE SIGHT OF THE
BALL AND GO FOR IT.

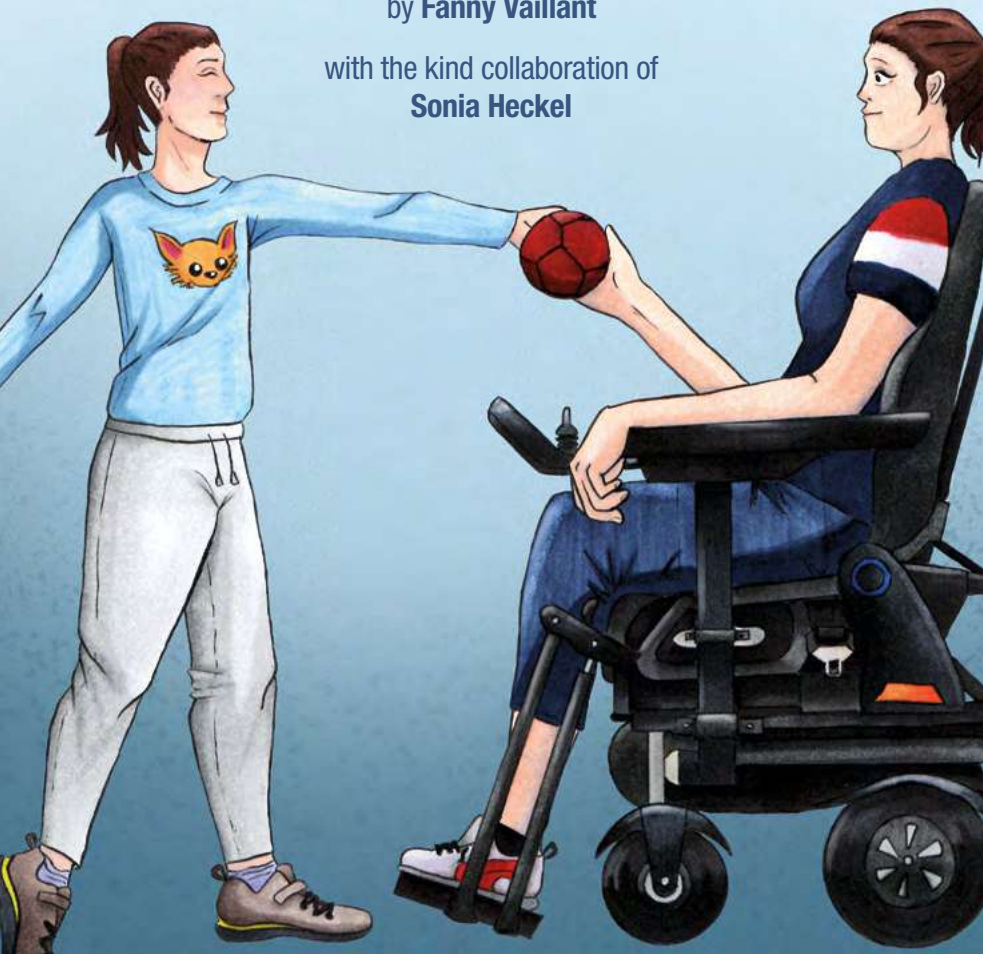


A WONDERFUL
WORLD AWAITS
IN THE DEPTHS
OF YOUR
SPORTING
SPIRIT.

Sorya

by Fanny Vaillant

with the kind collaboration of
Sonia Heckel



AND NEVER
FORGET
THAT
...



...
YOUR
DESTINY
IS IN
YOUR
HANDS
!

BOCCIA

ATHLETE: SONIA HECKEL

DIAGNOSED LIMB-GIRDLE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY, A DEGENERATIVE GENETIC MUSCLE DISEASE, SONIA HECKEL STARTED PRACTICING BOCCIA. WHICH MEANS "BALL" IN ITALIAN AND IS ONLY PLAYED IN PARA SPORT.

THANKS TO HER PERSEVERANCE, THE SEVERELY DISABLED ATHLETE WHO CONSIDERS HERSELF TO BE "RIGOROUS, PERFECTIONIST AND DETERMINED" WON GOLD AT THE EUROPEAN INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP, IN 2019.

HER MOTTO IS "FIGHT AS MUCH AS YOU CAN TO MAKE YOUR DREAM COME TRUE".



"
**MAKE YOUR LIFE
A DREAM, AND
A DREAM A
REALITY**
"

**ANTOINE DE
SAINT-EXUPÉRY**

MANGAKA: FANNY VAILLANT

FANNY VAILLANT IS A 19-YEAR-OLD ART STUDENT WHO LIKES DRAWING, CREATING AND FIXING ALL TYPES OF THINGS WITH HER HANDS. AFTER GRADUATING, SHE WOULD LIKE TO WORK AS A COLORIST.

WHEN WE WERE
KIDS, MY
SISTER AND I
LOVED RUNNING
AROUND.

SONIA
COME
BACK
!!!

I LOVED
SPORTS,
WATCHING THEM
OR PLAYING
THEM...

... I WANTED
SPORTS TO BE
A SIGNIFICANT
PART OF MY
LIFE.

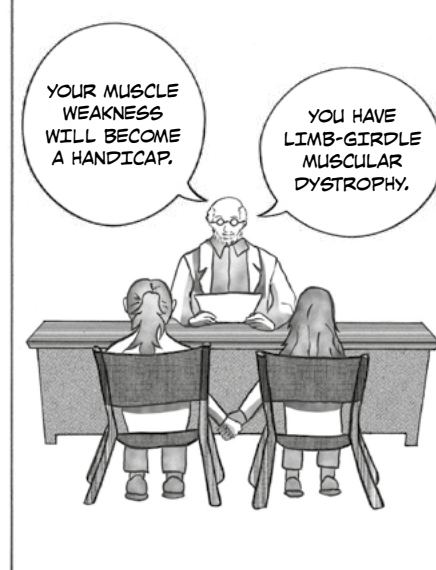
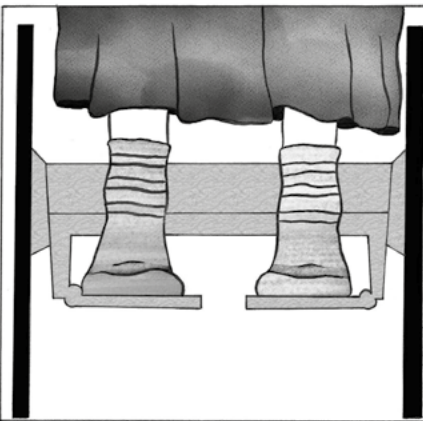
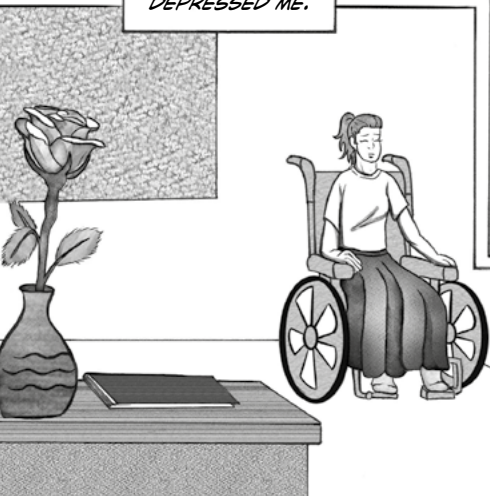




THE LONGER TIME
WENT ON, THE
HARDER IT BECAME
FOR ME TO MOVE
MY LEGS.



THE ILLNESS
EVENTUALLY
CAUGHT UP WITH
ME, AND IT
DEPRESSED ME.



YOUR MUSCLE
WEAKNESS
WILL BECOME
A HANDICAP.

YOU HAVE
LIMB-GIRDLE
MUSCULAR
DYSTROPHY.

I'VE GOT
SOME BAD
NEWS.

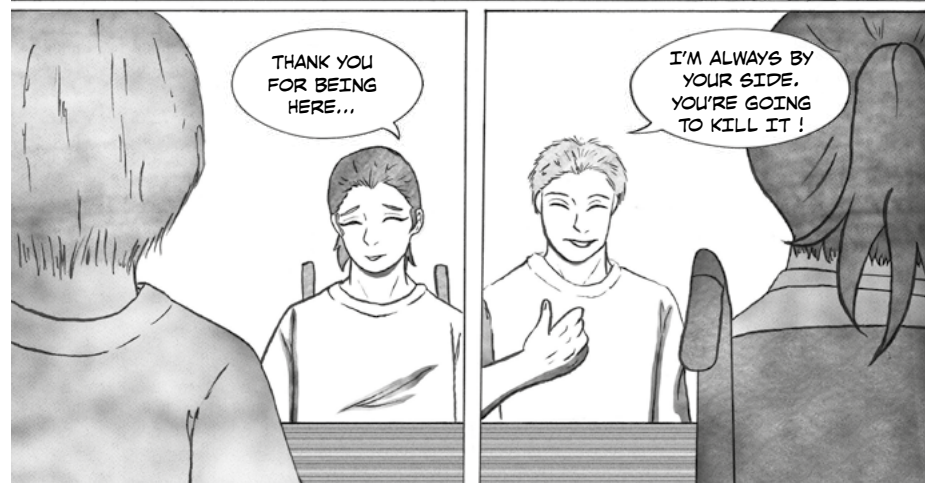
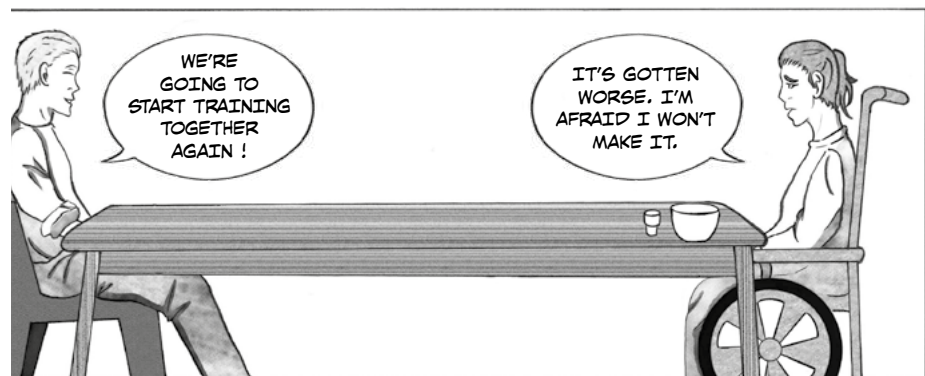
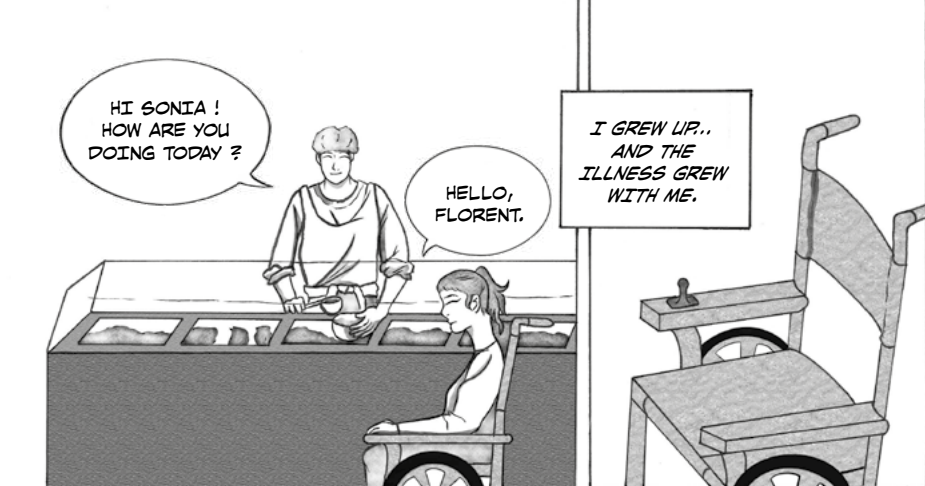
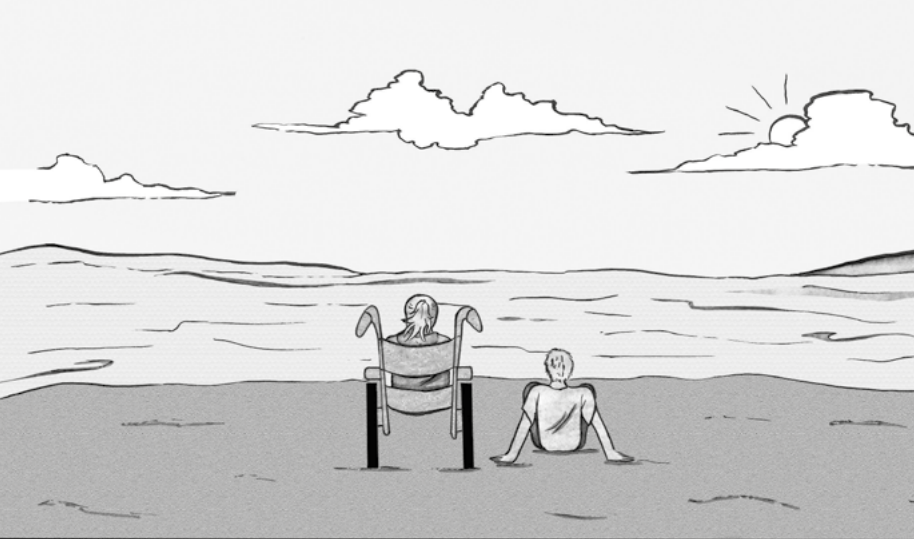


BUT LIFE HAD DECIDED
OTHERWISE, OR AT
LEAST, THAT WAS WHAT I
THOUGHT...



I
PROMISE
YOU,
SONIA.

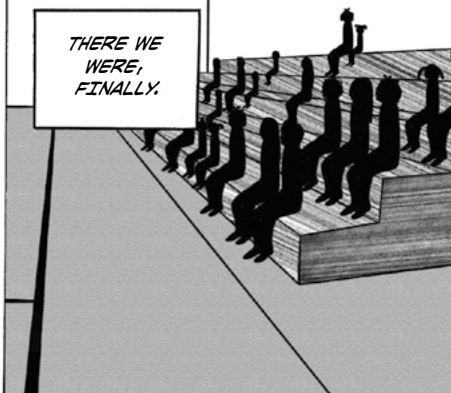
PROMISE
ME WE'LL
MAKE IT
THROUGH.



THE
MOMENT WE
HAVE BEEN
WAITING
FOR...



THERE WE
WERE,
FINALLY.



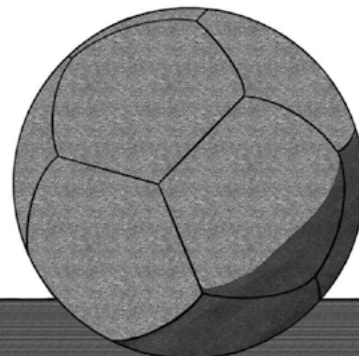
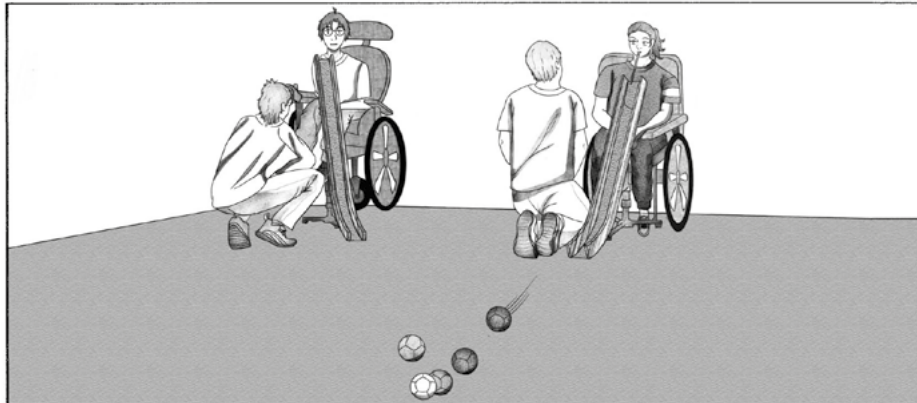
HEY, DON'T
YOU WORRY,
IT'S GOING
TO BE FINE.



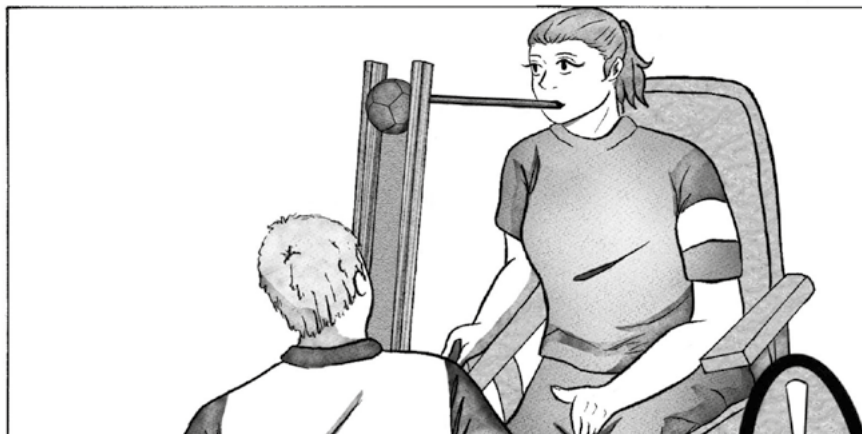
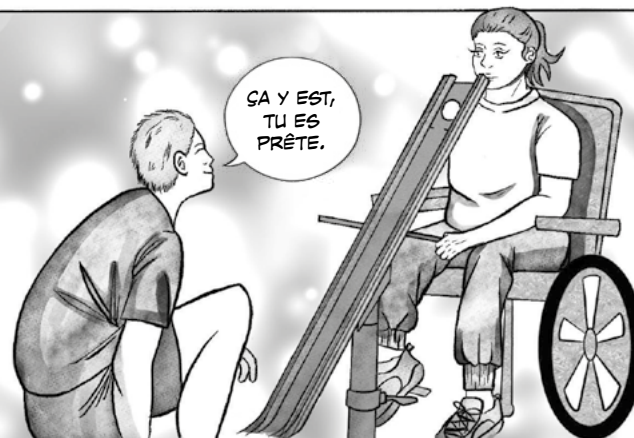
SOON ENOUGH,
WE HAD TO START
PREPARING
FOR THE BIG
COMPETITION.



IL EST L'HEURE DE
S'Y REMETTRE.



ÇA Y EST,
TU ES
PRÊTE.

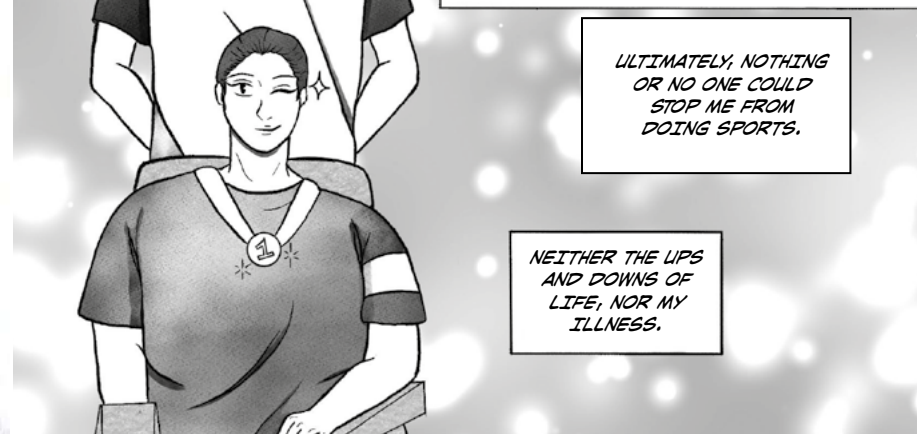


CÉCILE FOOT



by Guillaume Guilhou

with the kind collaboration of
Martin Baron & Christopher Bourgeois



BLIND FOOTBALL

ATHLETES: MARTIN BARON & CHRISTOPHER BOURGEOIS

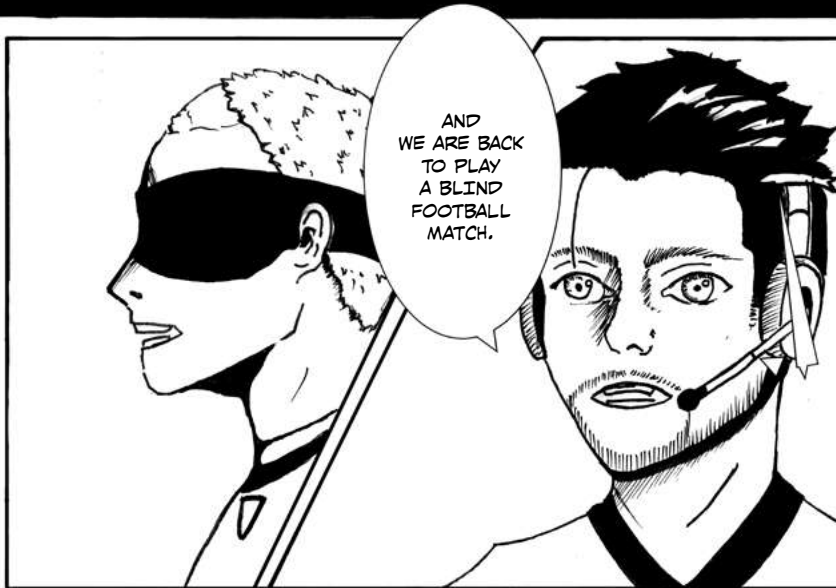
CHRISTOPHER BOURGEOIS PLAYS BLIND FOOTBALL IN THE FRENCH CHAMPIONSHIP. MARTIN BARON IS PART OF THE FRENCH NATIONAL TEAM AND PLAYS AS A FORWARD FOR THE BONDY BLIND FOOTBALL CLUB. HE HAS WON SEVERAL PRIZES, INCLUDING TWO EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS IN 2009 AND 2011, AND A SILVER MEDAL AT THE LONDON 2012 PARALYMPIC GAMES.



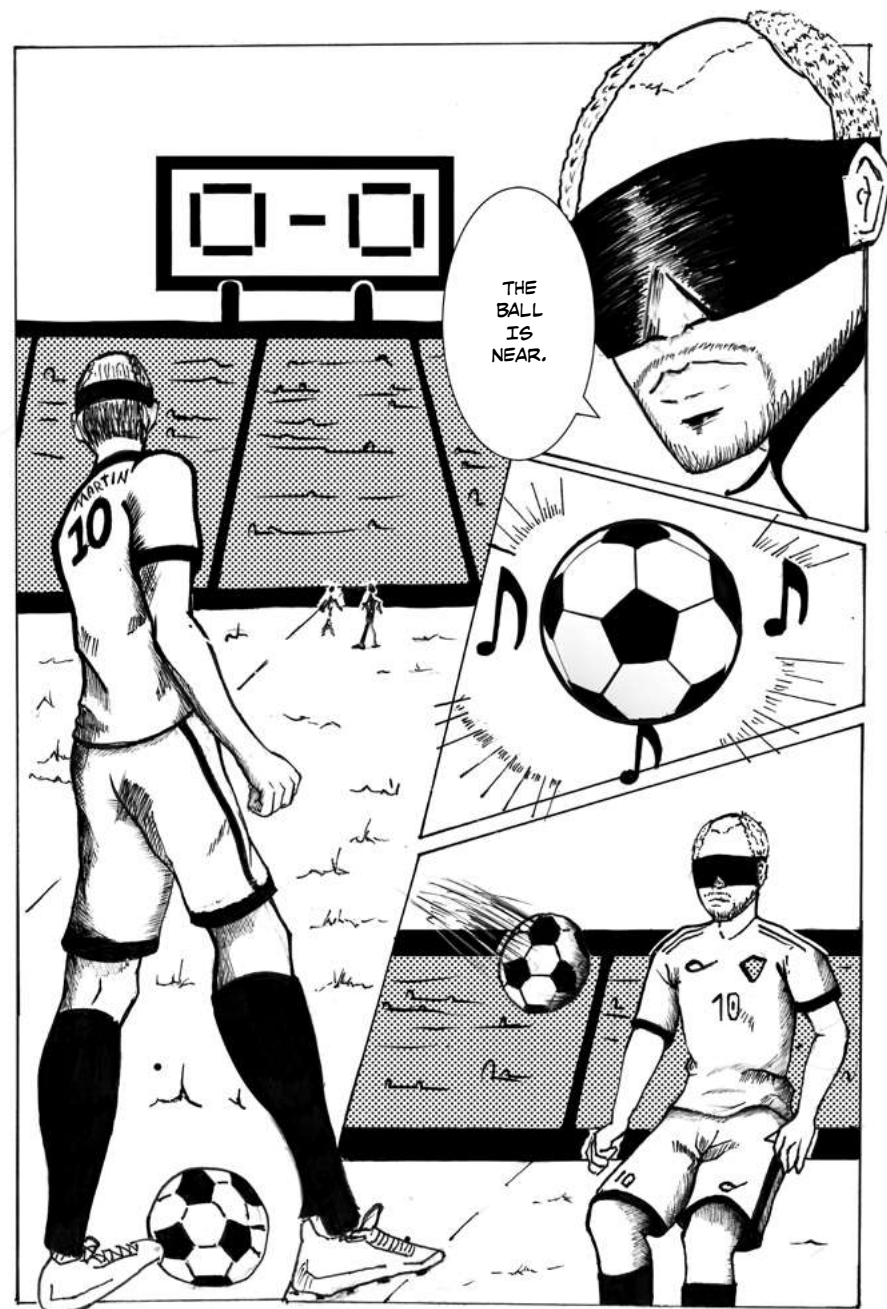
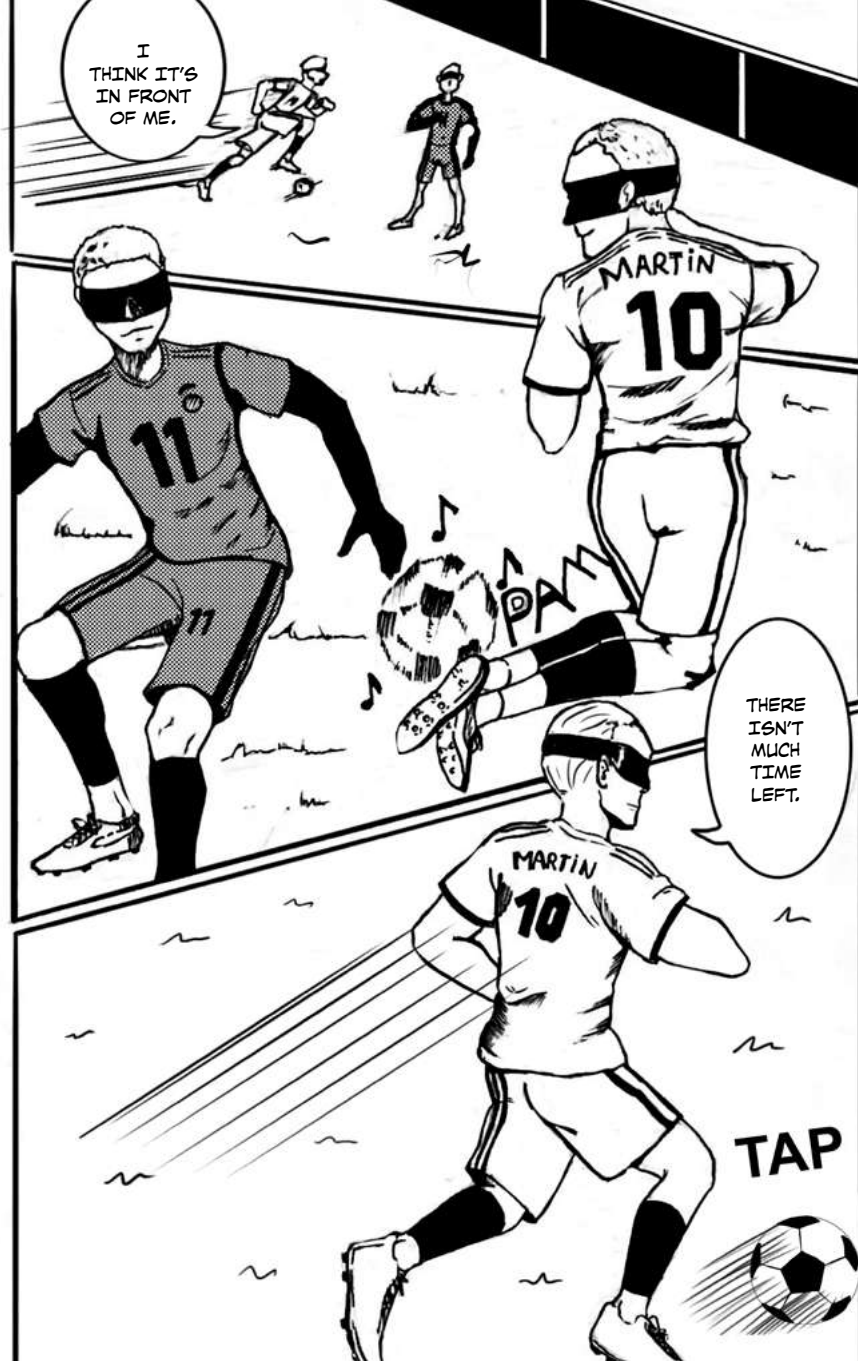
“
*ALWAYS STAY
RESILIENT
AND READY
TO FACE ANY
CHALLENGE*
”

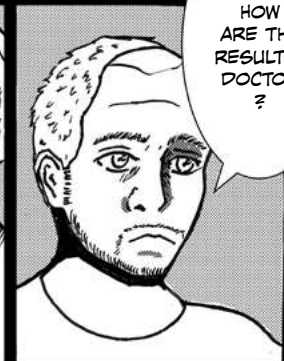
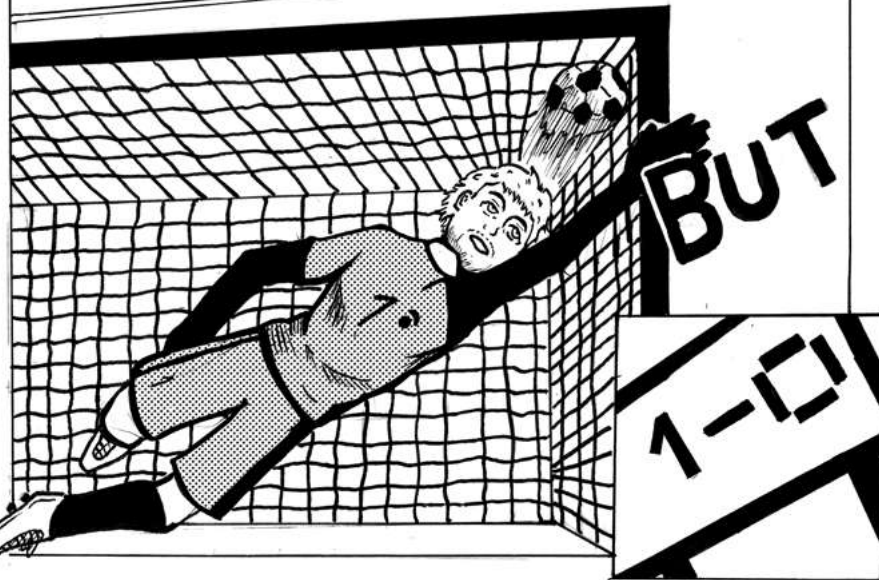
MANGAKA: GUILLAUME GUILHOU

GUILLAUME GUILHOU IS A MANGAKA WITH GREAT DETERMINATION. THIS HAS LED HIM TO OVERCOME SOME PROFESSIONAL HARDSHIPS AND TO FORGE A STRONG AND RESILIENT PERSONALITY.







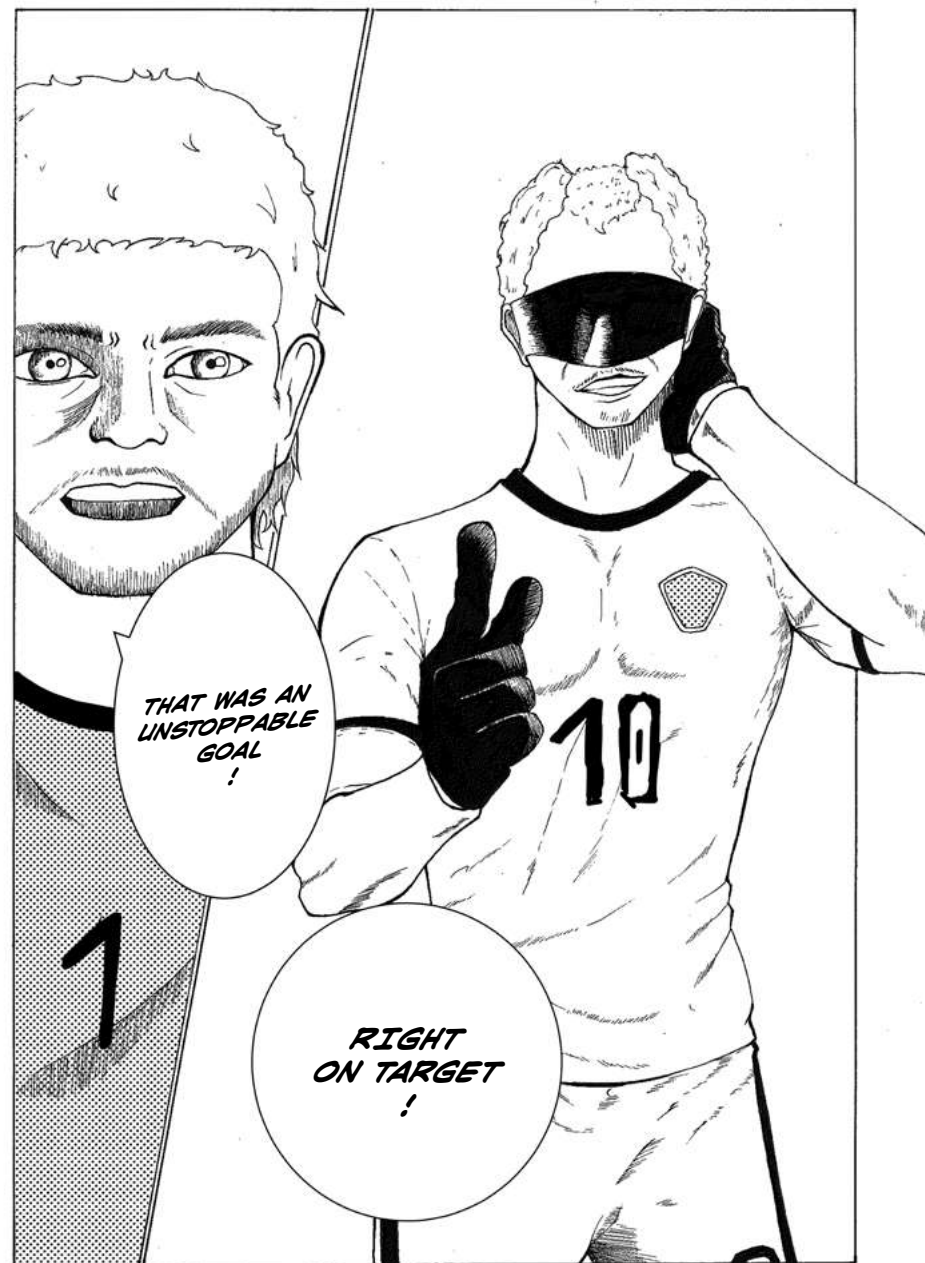


by Ornella Liberatoscioli

with the kind collaboration of
Yohan Peter



LAST



WHEELCHAIR FENCING

ATHLETE: YOHAN PETER

DISABLED BECAUSE OF A SURGERY IN 2014, YOHAN PETER, WHO WAS AS A NURSE IN A REHABILITATION CENTER, BECAME PASSIONATE ABOUT WHEELCHAIR FENCING IN 2016. HIS ACHIEVEMENTS ARE SO IMPRESSIVE. HE WON SILVER AT THE 2019 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS AND SILVER AT THE 2022 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS. HE IS NOW DEDICATED TO HIS ATHLETIC CAREER FULL-TIME, KNOWING THAT IT IS OFTEN SHORT-LIVED. THIS ATHLETE WITH STEELY DETERMINATION WILL GIVE HIS ALL TO WIN A PARALYMPIC MEDAL BY THE TIP OF HIS SWORD AT THE 2024 GAMES.

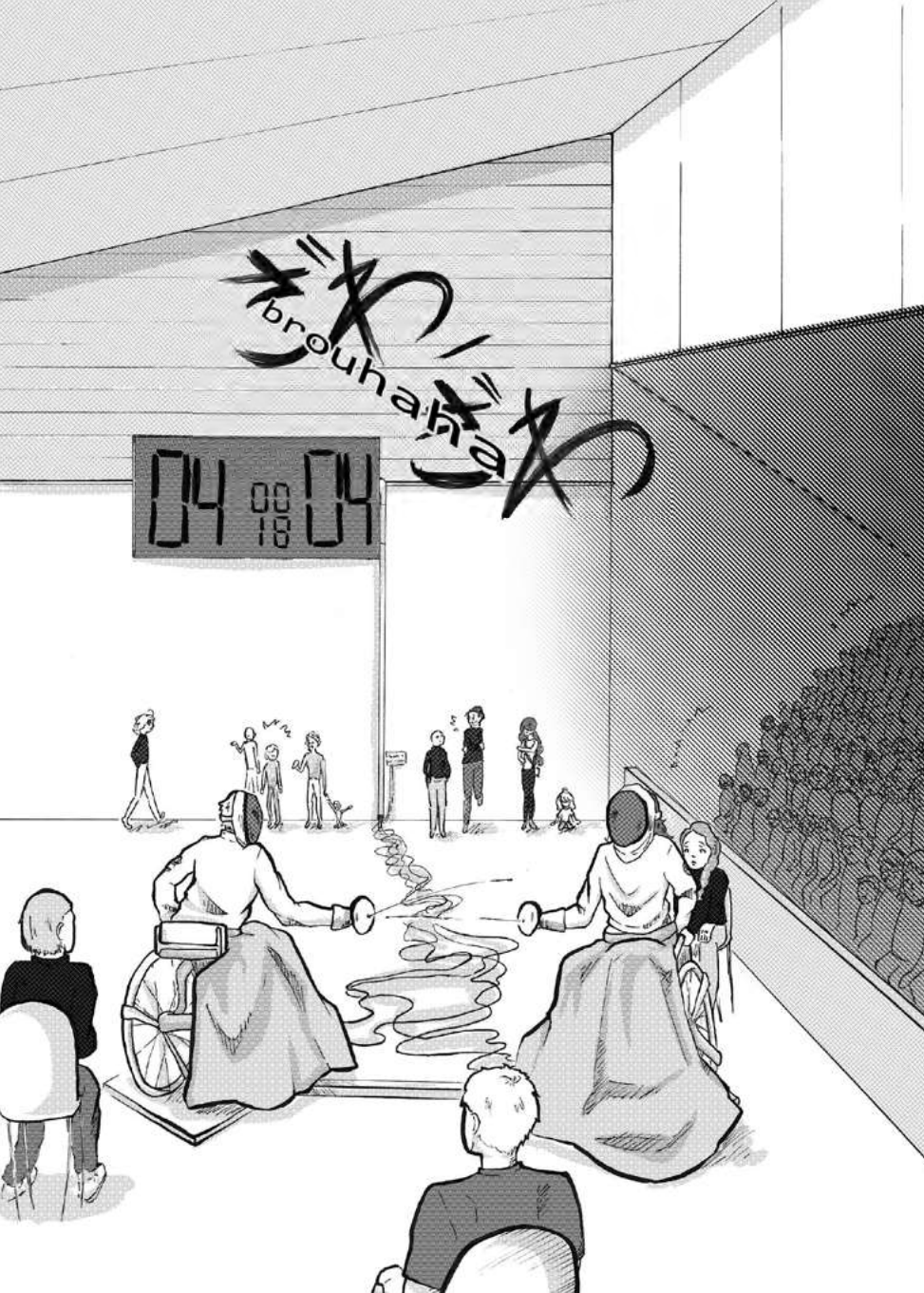


“
**REACHING THE
UNREACHABLE**
”

MANGAKA: ORNELLA LIBERATOSCIOLI

ORNELLA IS A PASSIONATE PERSON WHEN IT COMES TO HER PROJECTS, SHE HAS A HEAD FULL OF DREAMS AND LOVES POP CULTURE.

FEEL FREE TO FOLLOW HER ON
INSTAGRAM : @O.FANTA_!



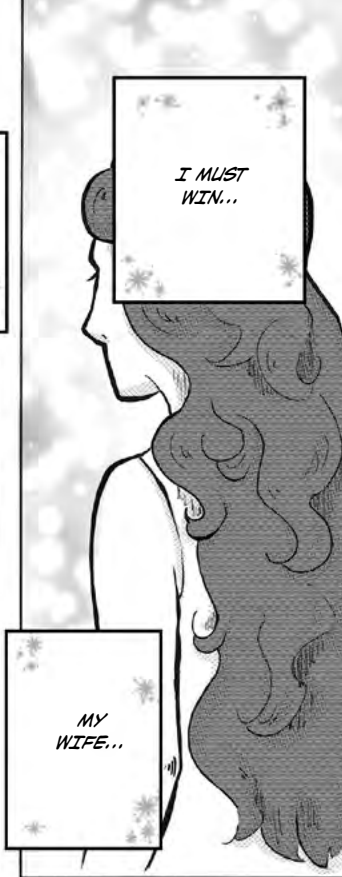


THEY ALL
COUNT ON
ME.



... THE
COACHES.

... MY
SON,

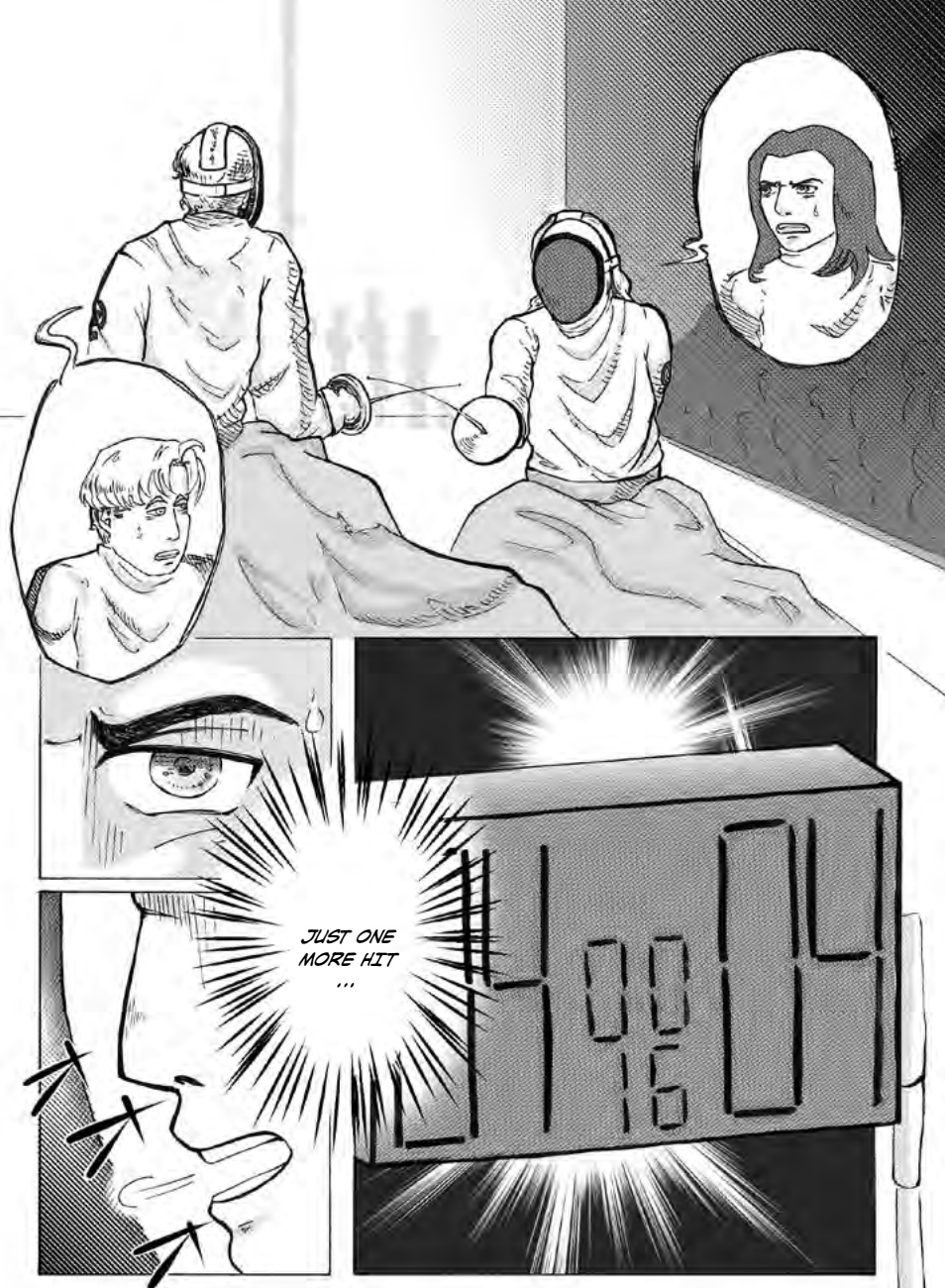


I MUST
WIN...

MY
WIFE...



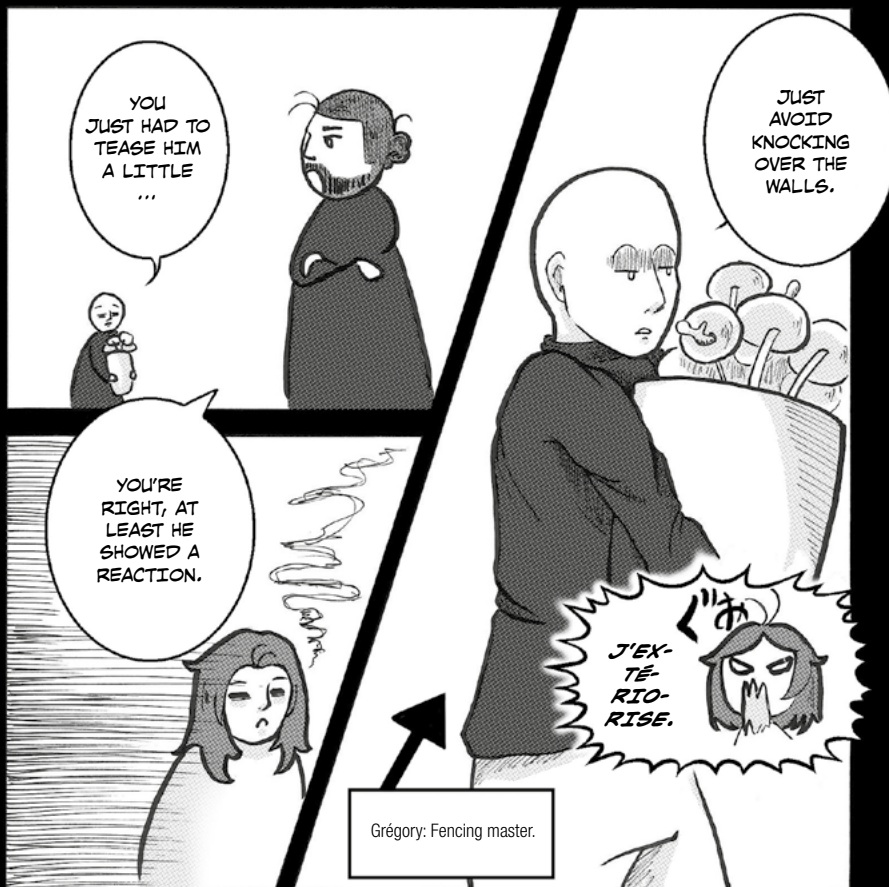
I DO IT ALL FOR YOU.



JUST ONE
MORE HIT
...



LEAVE IT, HE'S TOO FOCUSED, TRY SOMETHING ELSE. HEY, YOHAN ?



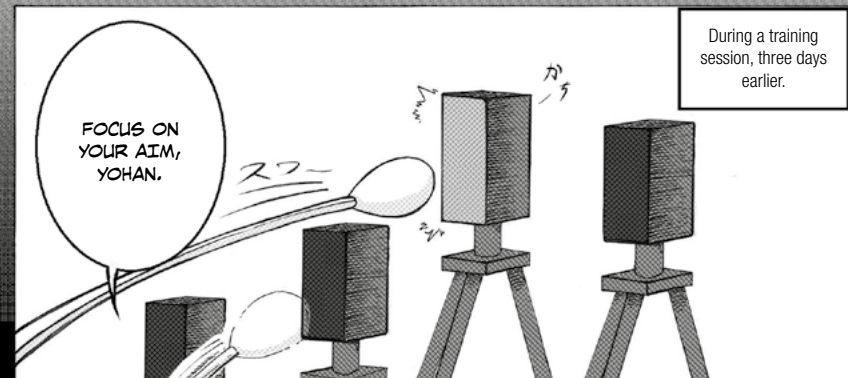
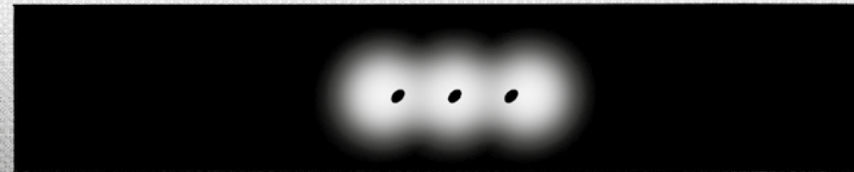
YOU JUST HAD TO TEASE HIM A LITTLE ...

JUST AVOID KNOCKING OVER THE WALLS.

YOU'RE RIGHT, AT LEAST HE SHOWED A REACTION.

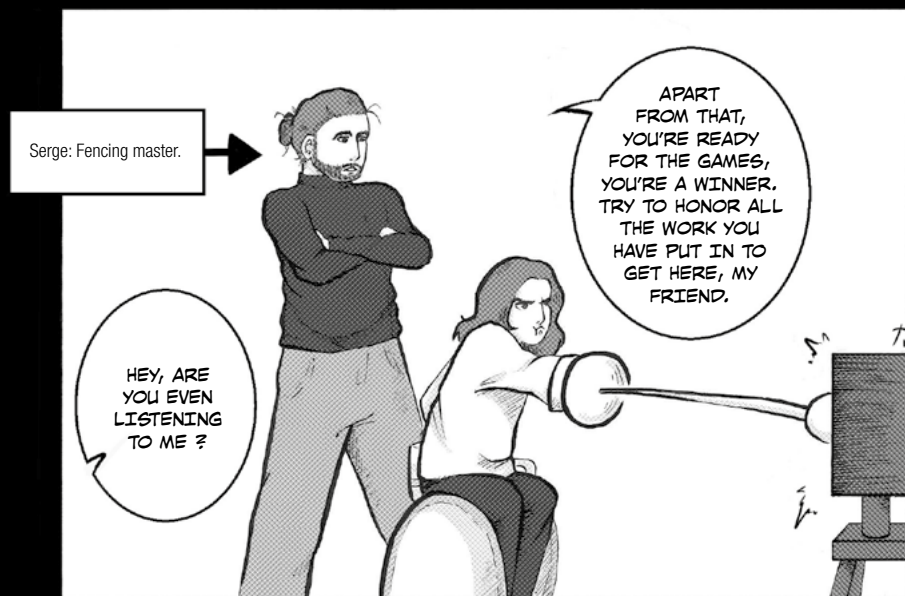
J'EX-TÉ-RIORISE.

Grégory: Fencing master.



FOCUS ON YOUR AIM, YOHAN.

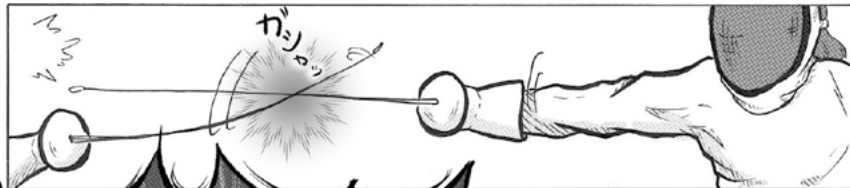
During a training session, three days earlier.



Serge: Fencing master.

HEY, ARE YOU EVEN LISTENING TO ME ?

APART FROM THAT, YOU'RE READY FOR THE GAMES, YOU'RE A WINNER. TRY TO HONOR ALL THE WORK YOU HAVE PUT IN TO GET HERE, MY FRIEND.



During half-time,
a few moments
earlier.



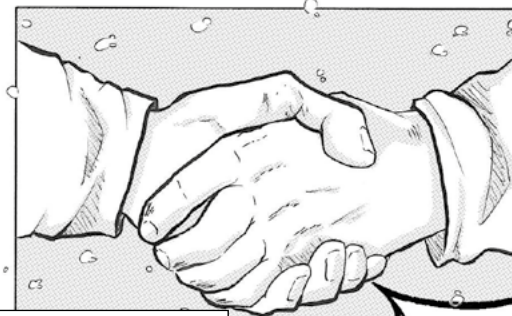
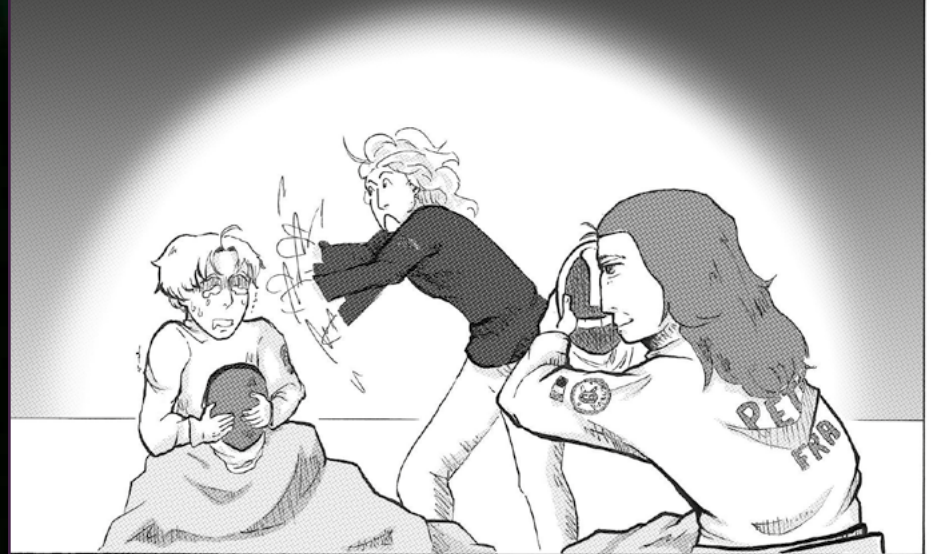
Presently.



Listening

by **Émilie Tosello**

with the kind collaboration of
Loïse Rondepierre

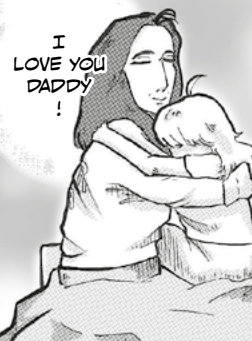


* In fencing, the salute "Sky, Life, Earth" and a handshake are a mark of respect between opponents.



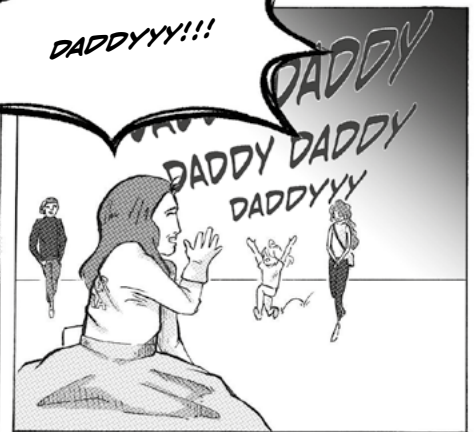
SKY, LIFE, EARTH.*

DADDY!!!



I
LOVE YOU
DADDY
!

I
KNEW YOU
WERE THE
STRONGEST
!



DADDY
DADDY DADDY
DADDY!!!

COMPETITION STADIUM.

TODAY IS
D-DAY.

MY
TEAMMATES
AND I ARE
PLAYING IN A
MAJOR MATCH
FOR THE FRENCH
NATIONAL
GOALBALL TEAM.

GOALBALL

ATHLETE: LOÏSE RONDEPIERRE

FOR LOÏSE RONDEPIERRE, GOALBALL IS A WAY TO PUSH HER LIMITS, DRIVEN BY THE STRENGTH OF THE TEAM. SHE STARTED PRACTICING THIS TEAM SPORT TO SHARE THE EMOTIONS OF THE DISCIPLINE WITH OTHERS. NOWADAYS, IT IS A MEANS OF EXPRESSION FOR HER. "WHEN WE ARE ON THE FIELD, THERE ARE NO MORE DISABILITIES, WE ARE ATHLETES, TO EACH THEIR STRENGTHS, AND WE ARE WILLING TO GIVE OUR ALL TO HONOR OUR FLAG."



"
THE
ONLY WAY OF
KNOWING THE
LIMITS OF WHAT'S
POSSIBLE IS TO
VENTURE BEYOND,
WITHIN THE
IMPOSSIBLE.

MANGAKA: ÉMILIE TOSELLO

ÉMILIE TOSELLO WAS BORN IN GRASSE, IN THE ALPES-MARITIMES, FRANCE. PASSIONATE ABOUT MANGA FROM A YOUNG AGE, SHE ATTENDED THE AAA SCHOOL WITH THE AMBITION OF LEARNING TO CREATE MANGA, WHICH IS NOW COMING TO FRUITION THANKS TO THE IPSSEN FOUNDATION.

"
ARTHUR C.
CLARKE

EACH
HALF-TIME IS 12
MINUTES LONG.
THREADS ARE TAPED
TO THE GROUND
TO DELINEATE
THE FIELD.

WE
NEED TO SCORE
IN THE OPPOSITE
TEAM'S ZONE AND
HAVE THE BALL
BOUNCE WITHIN THE
SHOOTING ZONE OR
THE NEUTRAL ZONE.

GOALBALL
IS A SPORT
FOR ATHLETES
WITH VISUAL
IMPAIRMENT.

THE FIELD IS
DIVIDED INTO 6
SECTIONS : 2 TEAM
ZONES, 2 NEUTRAL
ZONES AND 2
SHOOTING ZONES.

OBVIOUSLY, THE
AUDIENCE MUST
STAY SILENT AS
PLAYING GOALBALL
REQUIRES
EXTREME
CONCENTRATION.

BUT THE
PLAYERS CAN
COMMUNI-
CATE AND
CHEER FOR
EACH OTHER.

TO ENSURE FAIRNESS, WE
ALL WEAR GLASSES. THE
BALL IS EQUIPPED WITH
3 BELLS, WHICH GIVES
US SPATIAL AWARENESS.

ZONE
D'ÉQUIPE

ZONE
DE LANCER

ZONE
NEUTRE

ZONE
NEUTRE

ZONE
DE LANCER

ZONE
D'ÉQUIPE





SEIZE IT!!!

LUCIE...

THIS IS YOUR
LAST CHANCE

YOU MUST ...

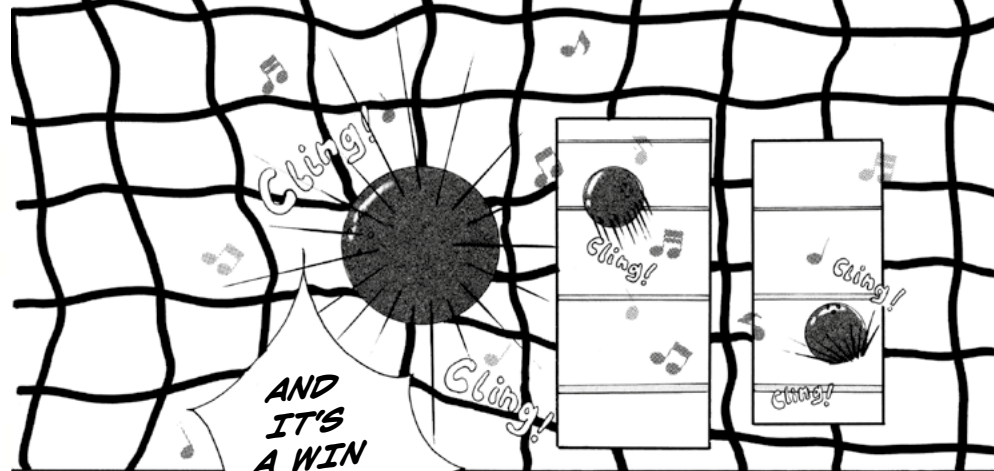


RENAUD



by Vina

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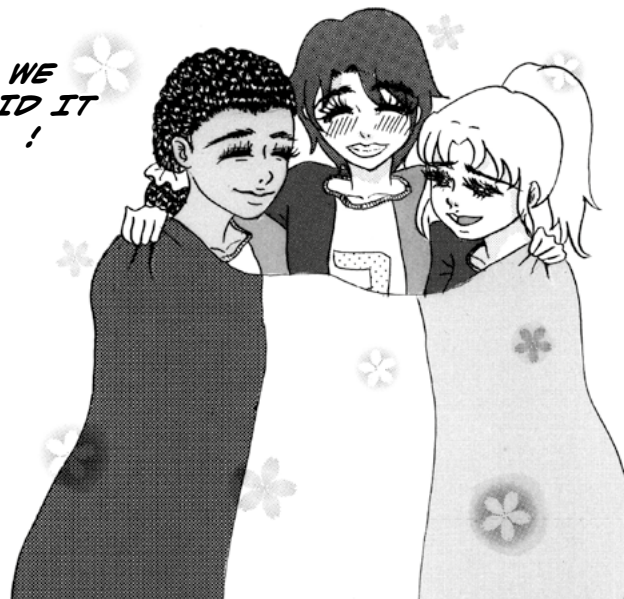


AND
IT'S
A WIN
FOR THE
FRENCH
TEAM
!!!



AMAZING!

WE
DID IT
!



WE
WON
!

PARA ATHLETICS

ATHLETE: RENAUD CLERC

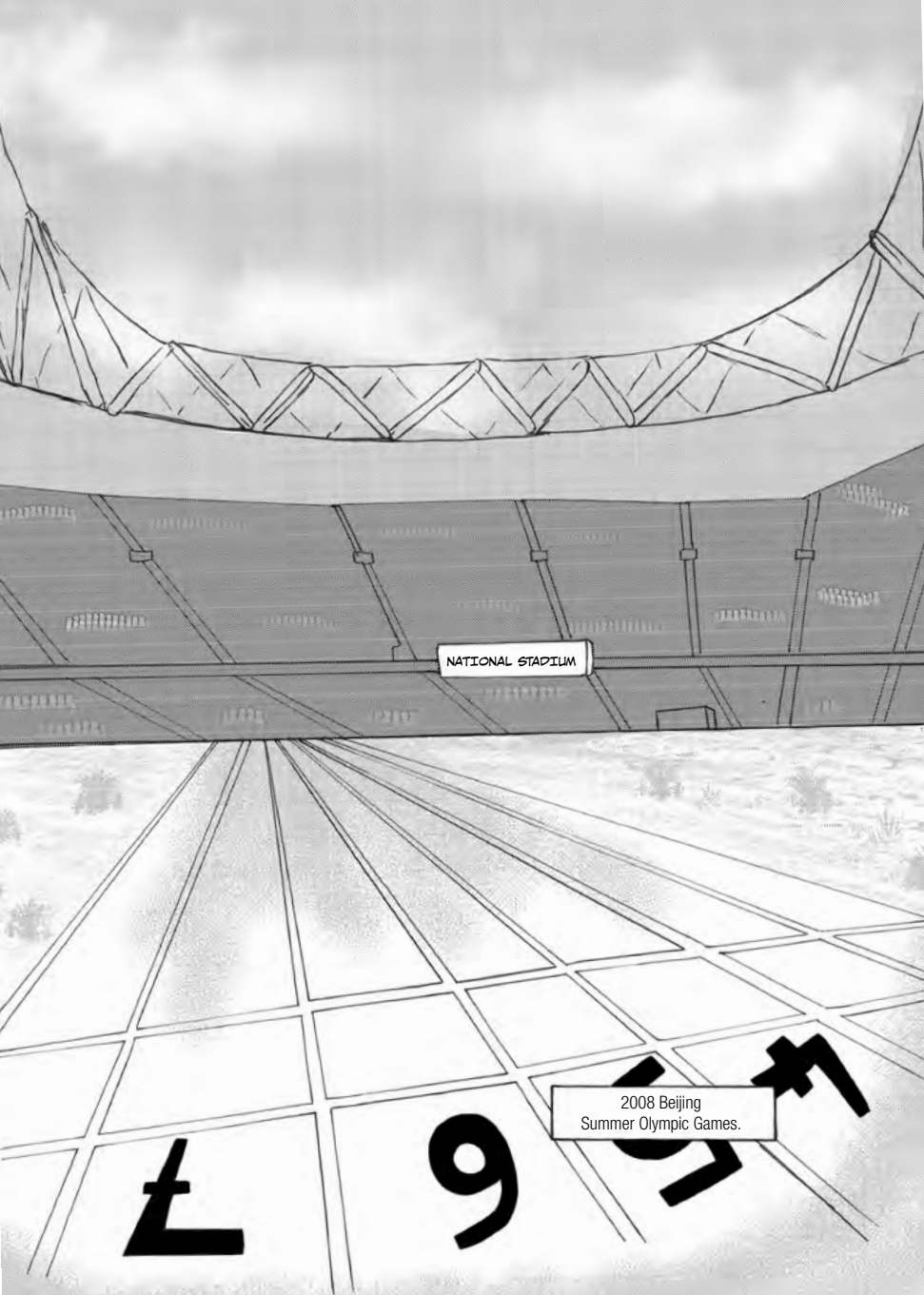
RENAUD CLERC, WHO HAS HEMIPLEGIA ON HIS RIGHT SIDE, ASPIRES TO PURSUE A CAREER IN SPORTS AND IN PUBLIC LAW. HE IS DETERMINATE TO BREAK DOWN "MENTAL BARRIERS." HIS DISABILITY IS HIS STRENGTH AND HIS MOTTO IS : "PAIN IS TEMPORARY" ! HE IS THE EPITOME OF ENTHOUSIASM. HE WON THE BRONZE MEDAL IN THE 1500 METERS AT THE 2021 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS AND HAS NO INTENTIONS OF STOPPING HIS JOURNEY. "AFTER MY SPORTS CAREER, I WOULD LIKE TO WORK ON INCLUSION, WHETHER IT BE IN THE BUSINESS WORLD OR IN SPORTS."

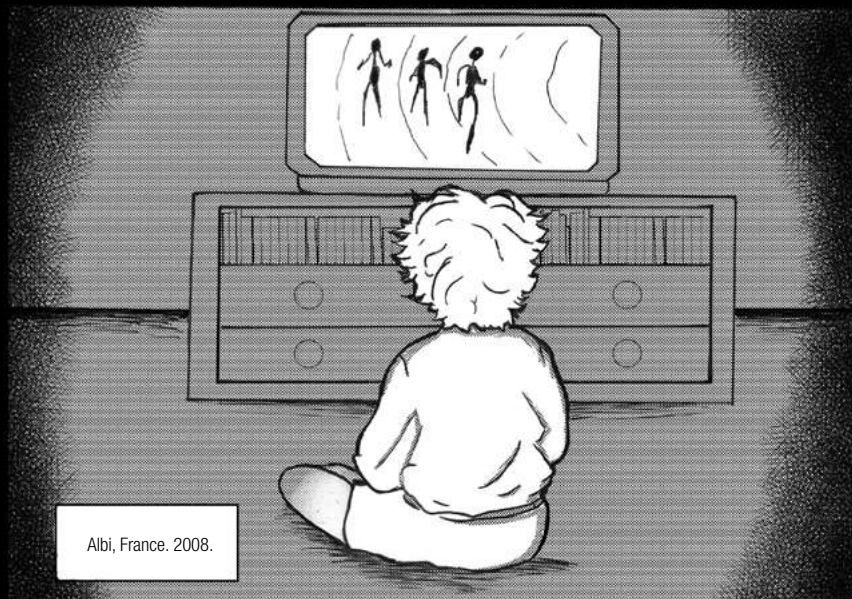


"
**SURPASSING
ONESELF AND
BREAKING DOWN
MENTAL
BOUNDARIES**
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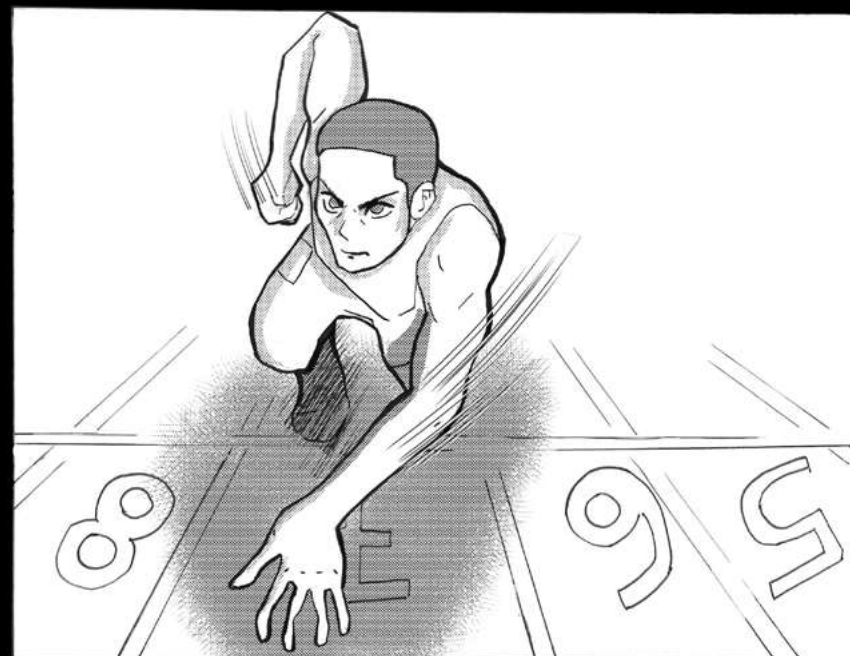
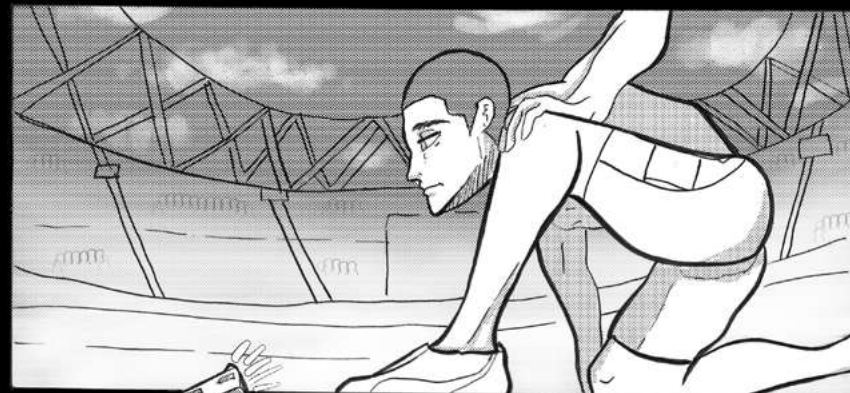
MANGAKA: VINA

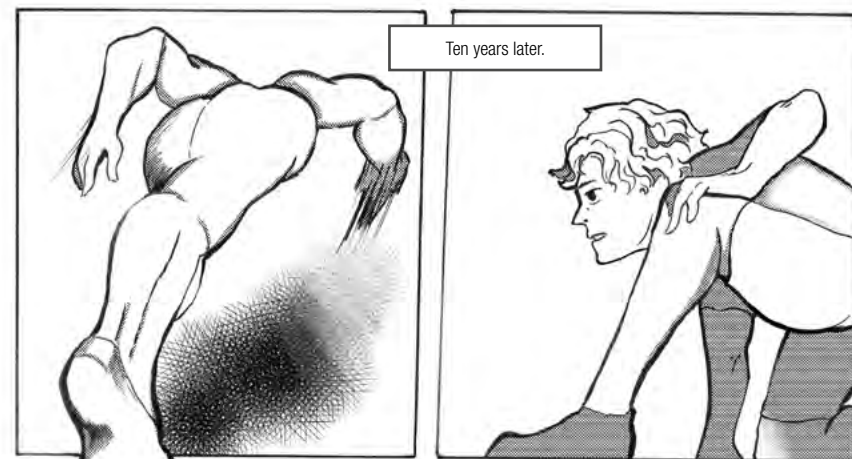
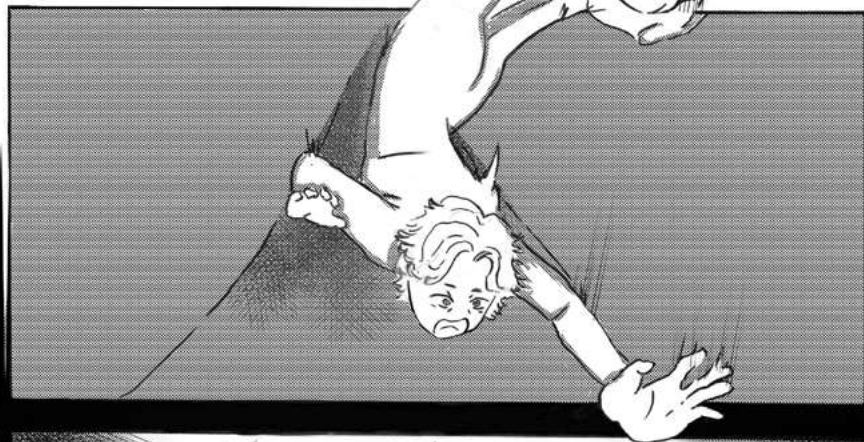
ARTIST AND MANGA FAN FOR 20 YEARS, VINA IS THE INDIAN DOPPELGÄNGER OF HINATA HYŪGA FROM NARUTO.

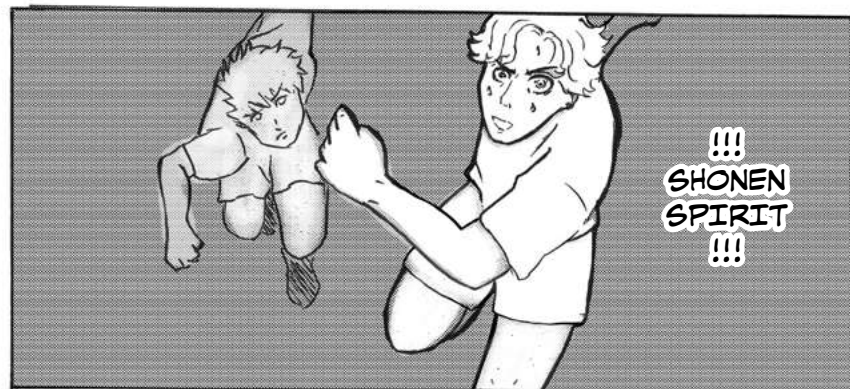
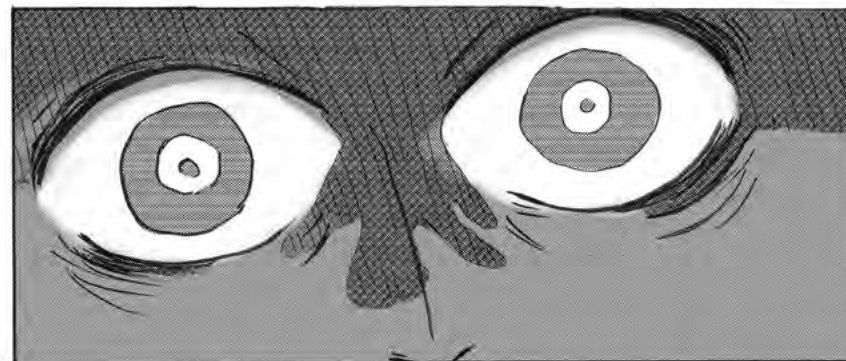
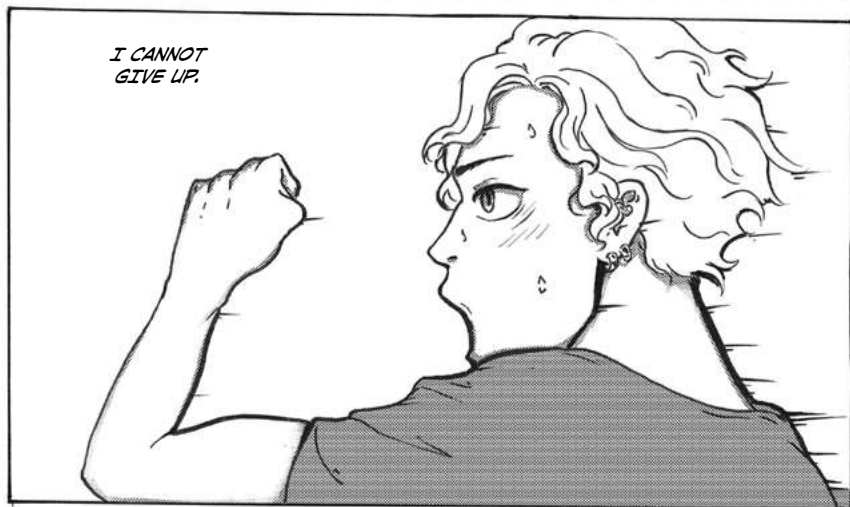
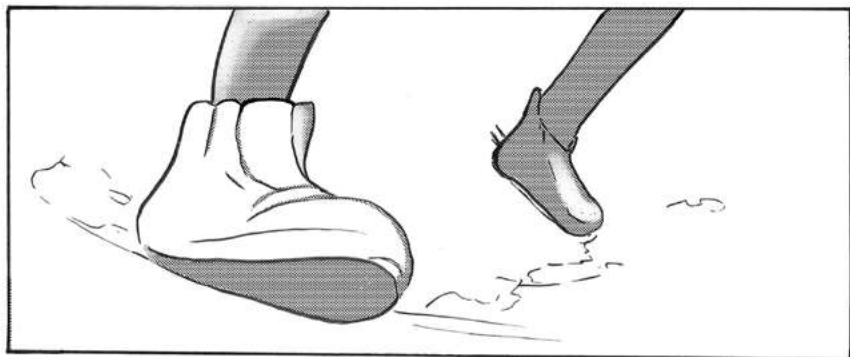




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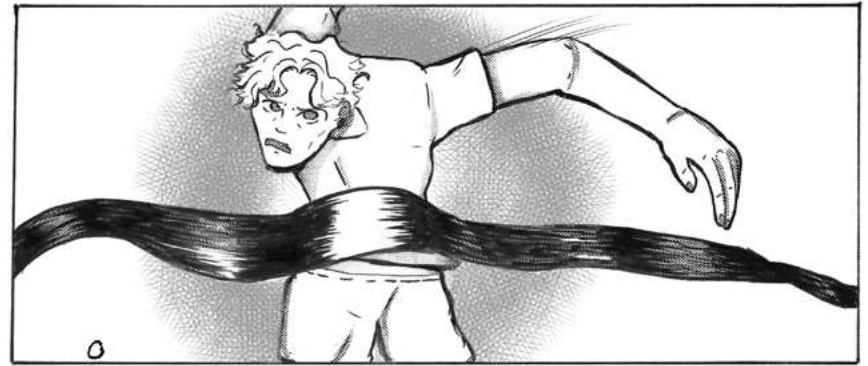




THE FLIGHT

by Leone Damien

with the kind collaboration of
Érika Sauzeau





PARA ROWING

ATHLETE: ÉRIKA SAUZEAU

FOLLOWING TWO ACCIDENTS, ÉRIKA SAUZEAU SUFFERS FROM CHONDROPATHY AND NEUROPATHIC PAIN IN HER KNEE. GUIDED BY A SINGLE MOTTO "NEVER GIVE UP," SHE JOINED THE ARMY OF CHAMPIONS IN 2021, THE SAME YEAR SHE WON BRONZE IN ROWING AT THE TOKYO PARALYMPIC GAMES. INVOLVED IN MANY AREAS (FIREFIGHTING, LIFEGUARDING, ETC.), SHE WANTS TO DELIVER A MESSAGE OF HOPE TO THE YOUNGER GENERATION: "EVEN WITH A DISABILITY, YOU CAN ACHIEVE HIGH PERFORMANCE. LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL!"



"
**NEVER
GIVE UP**
"

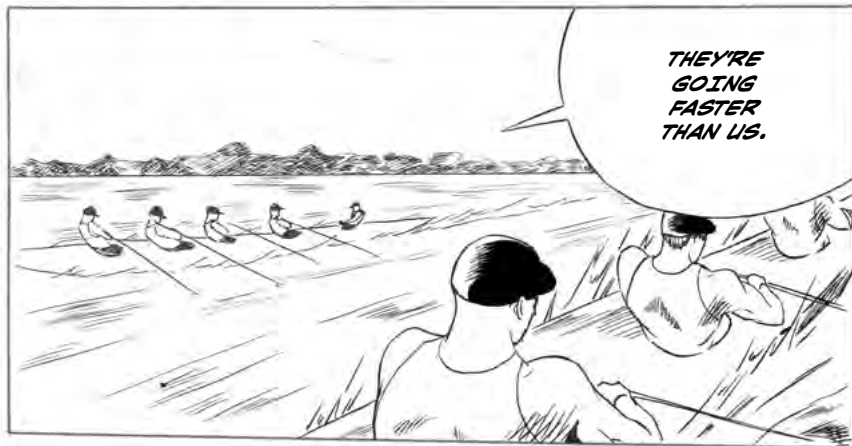
MANGAKA: LEONE DAMIEN

LEONE DAMIEN IS A MANGAKA WHO IS PASSIONATE ABOUT DRAWING AND LOVES GOOD SCENARIOS. HE IS HAPPY TO ILLUSTRATE PARA ROWING FOR THE 2024 PARIS PARALYMPIC GAMES.





ERIKA,
YOU'RE TOO
STIFF!



THEY'RE
GOING
FASTER
THAN US.



FOCUS
ON YOUR
TECHNIQUE!

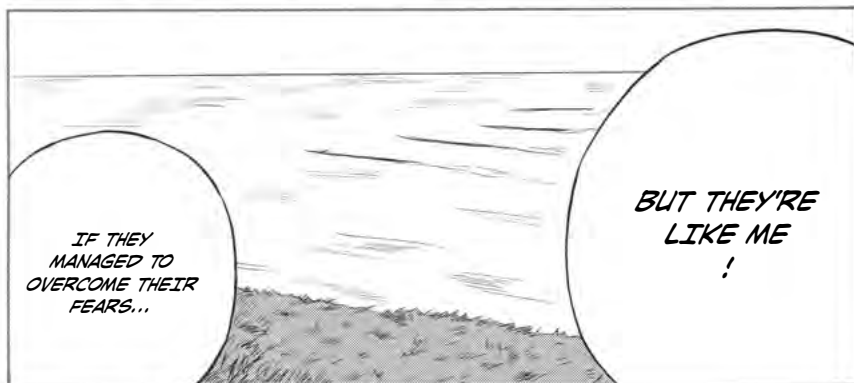


HERE
WE GO
!

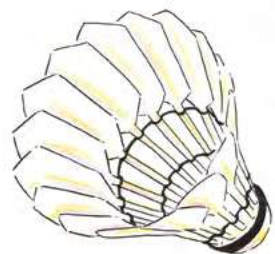


IT'S A NECK-AND-
NECK START
FOR ALL THE TEAMS!



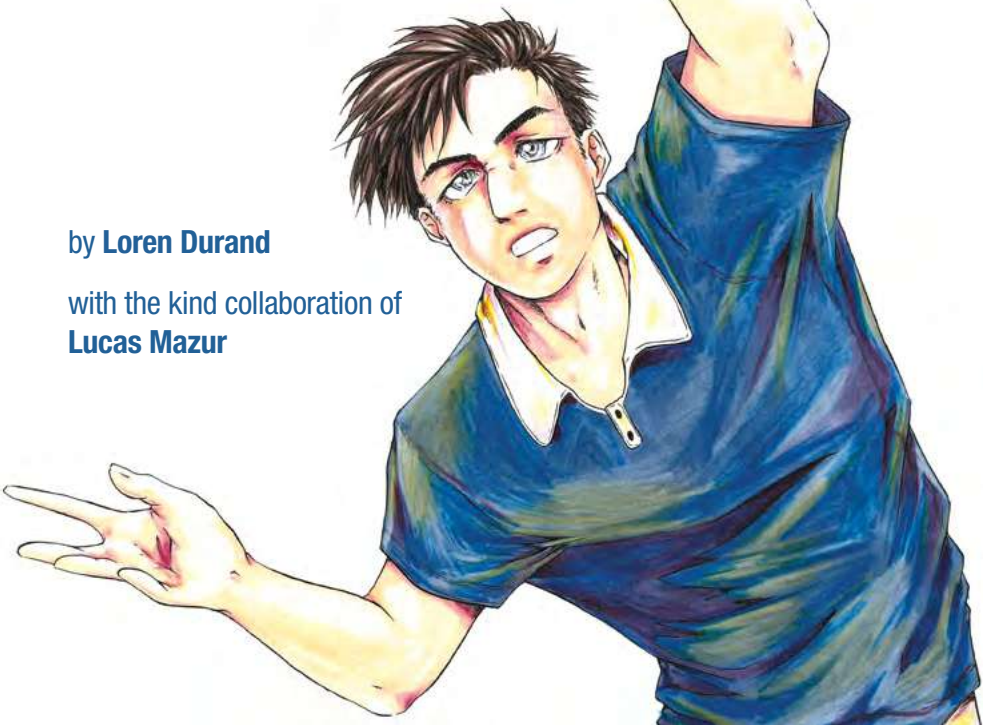


Taking off



by Loren Durand

with the kind collaboration of
Lucas Mazur



CREPS Centre-Val de Loire.
Bourges, France, 2017.



PARA BADMINTON

ATHLETE: LUCAS MAZUR

"BEING DISABLED IS NOT A PROBLEM. IT CAN BE TURNED INTO AN OPPORTUNITY: THAT OF BEING A GOOD AMBASSADOR OR A GOOD ATHLETE, BECAUSE IF YOU BELIEVE IN YOUR DREAMS, YOU CAN DO ANYTHING."

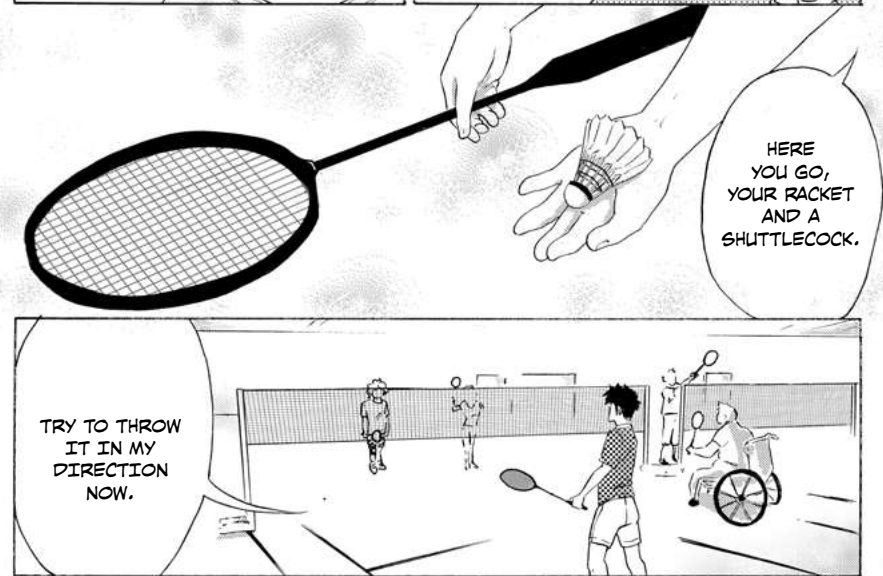
GIVEN HIS IMPRESSIVE TRACK-RECORD, INCLUDING GOLD MEDAL FOR THE TOKYO PARALYMPICS IN PARA BADMINTON SINGLES AND GOLD FOR THE 2022 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, LUCAS MAZUR BELIEVES IN IT! ACCORDING TO HIM, PARA-ATHLETES HAVE THE DUTY TO ACT AS ROLE MODELS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. AND HE IS A GREAT ONE!

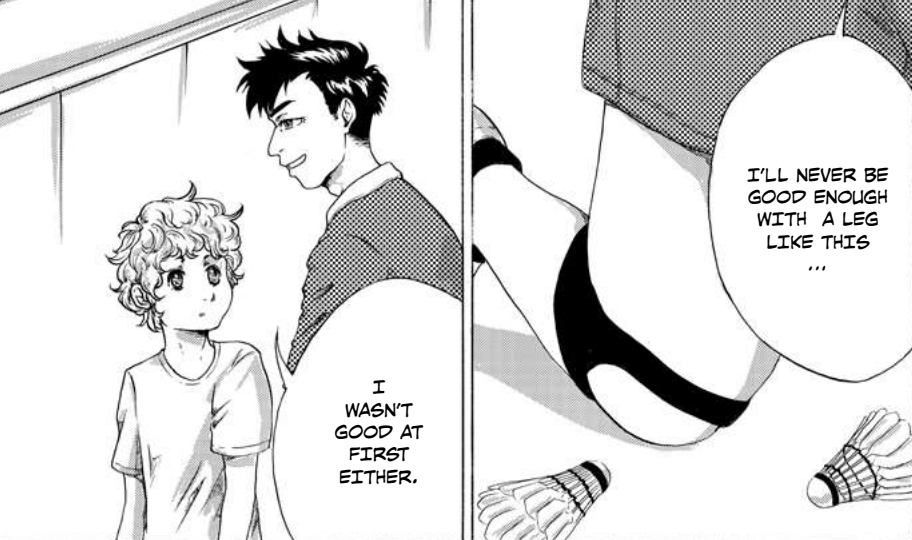


"
**INSPIRING
OTHERS AND
NEVER
GIVING UP**
"

MANGAKA: LOREN DURAND

PASSIONATE ABOUT DRAWING SINCE CHILDHOOD, LOREN DURAND DOVE INTO THE WORLD OF MANGA DURING HIS TEENAGE YEARS. TRAINED BY A JAPANESE MANGAKA. HE IS PUBLISHING HIS SECOND MANGA WITH THE IPSSEN FOUNDATION.







THE WINGS OF HOPE

by **Maelys Stuaert, Kasen** and **Victoria Sotin**

with the kind collaboration of
Éléa Charvet





PARA CANOE

ATHLETE: ÉLÉA CHARVET

AMPUTATED AT THE AGE OF 18 FOLLOWING A CAR ACCIDENT, ELEA CHARVET WAS ABLE TO OVERCOME THIS TRAGEDY THANKS TO SPORT, HER WAY OF OUTGROWING HER DISABILITY.

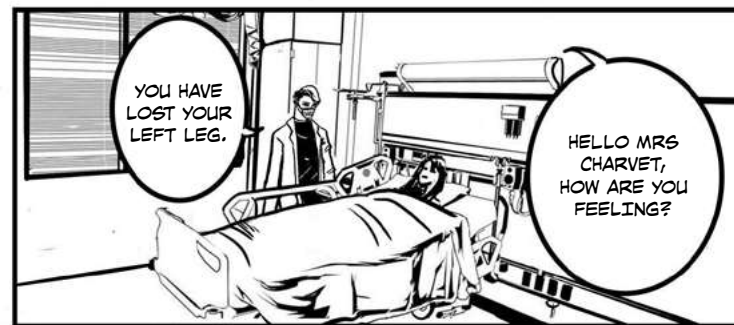
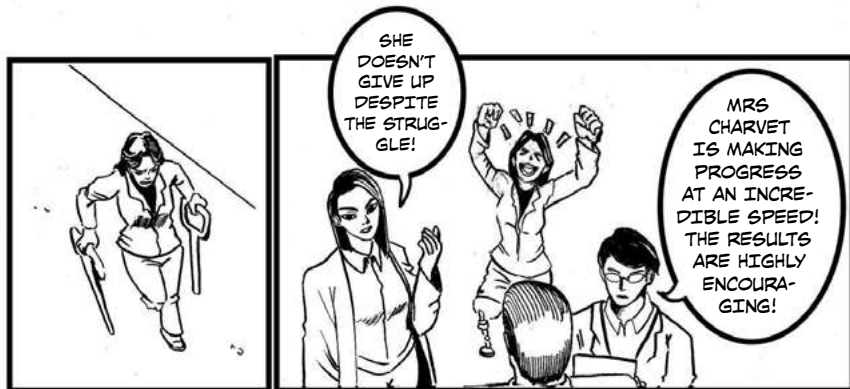
IN 2023, SHE BECAME THE FRENCH PARA CANOE CHAMPION IN HER CATEGORY AND REACHED THE TOP 7 LEADING DURING THE LATEST WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS. SHE NOW SEES LIFE DIFFERENTLY AND ADMITS TO BEING HAPPIER THAN SHE WAS BEFORE! HER RADIANT AND COMMUNICATIVE ENERGY PROVIDES US WITH A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON DISABILITY.

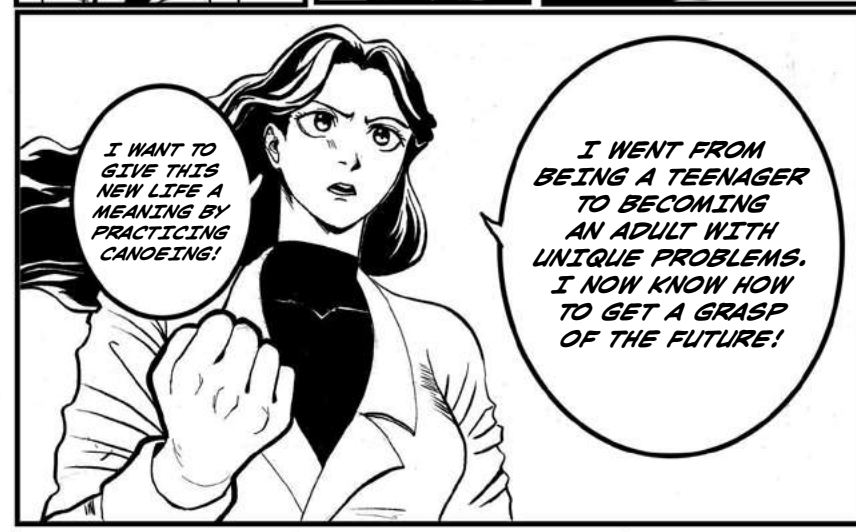
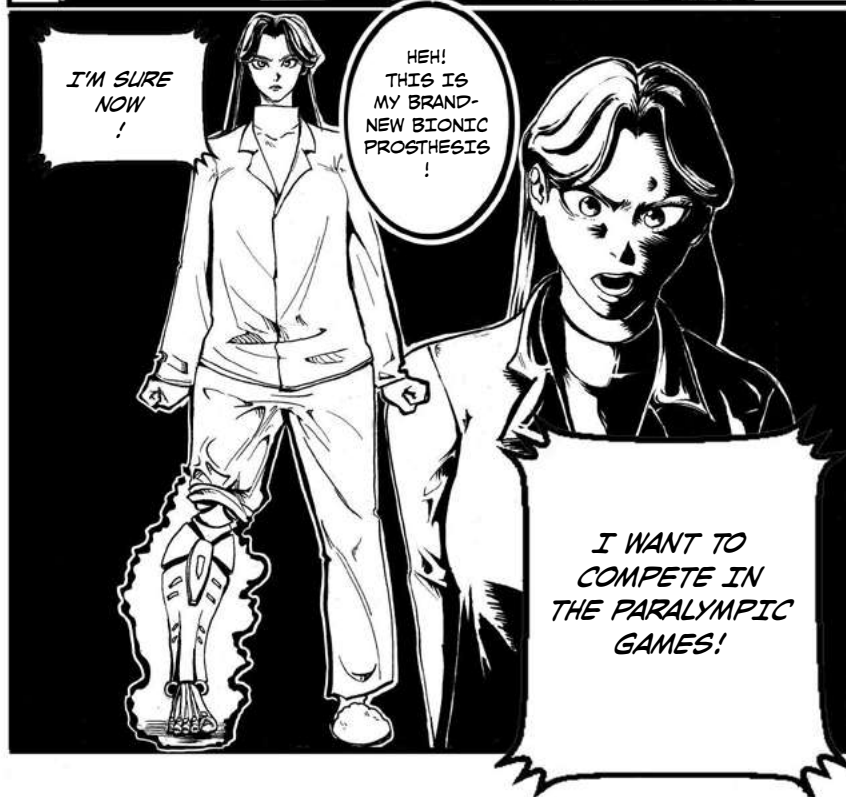


"
LIVING
FOR OUR
SPORT
"

MANGAKA: MAELYS STUAERT

I AM A CONCEPT ARTIST AND ILLUSTRATOR AND I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN PASSIONATE ABOUT LANDSCAPES, CATS AND ART. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH TWO TALENTED YOUNG ARTISTS WHO ASSISTED ME WITH THIS PROJECT.







ATHLETES
FROM ALL
OVER THE
WORLD
EXPRESSING
THEIR
FREEDOM ON
THE WATER
!



NOT
TOO
SCARED,
ARE YOU
?

I'VE
SEEN
WORSE
...

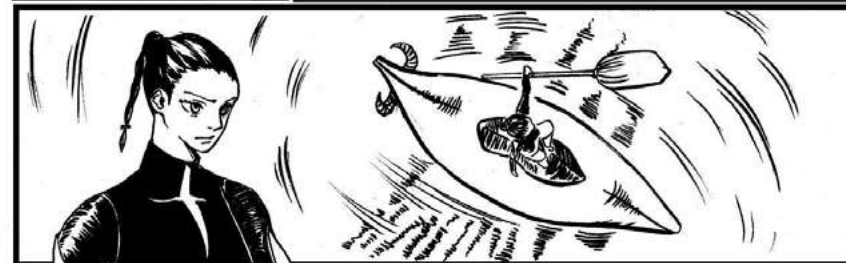


I'M
GOING
NOW
!!!



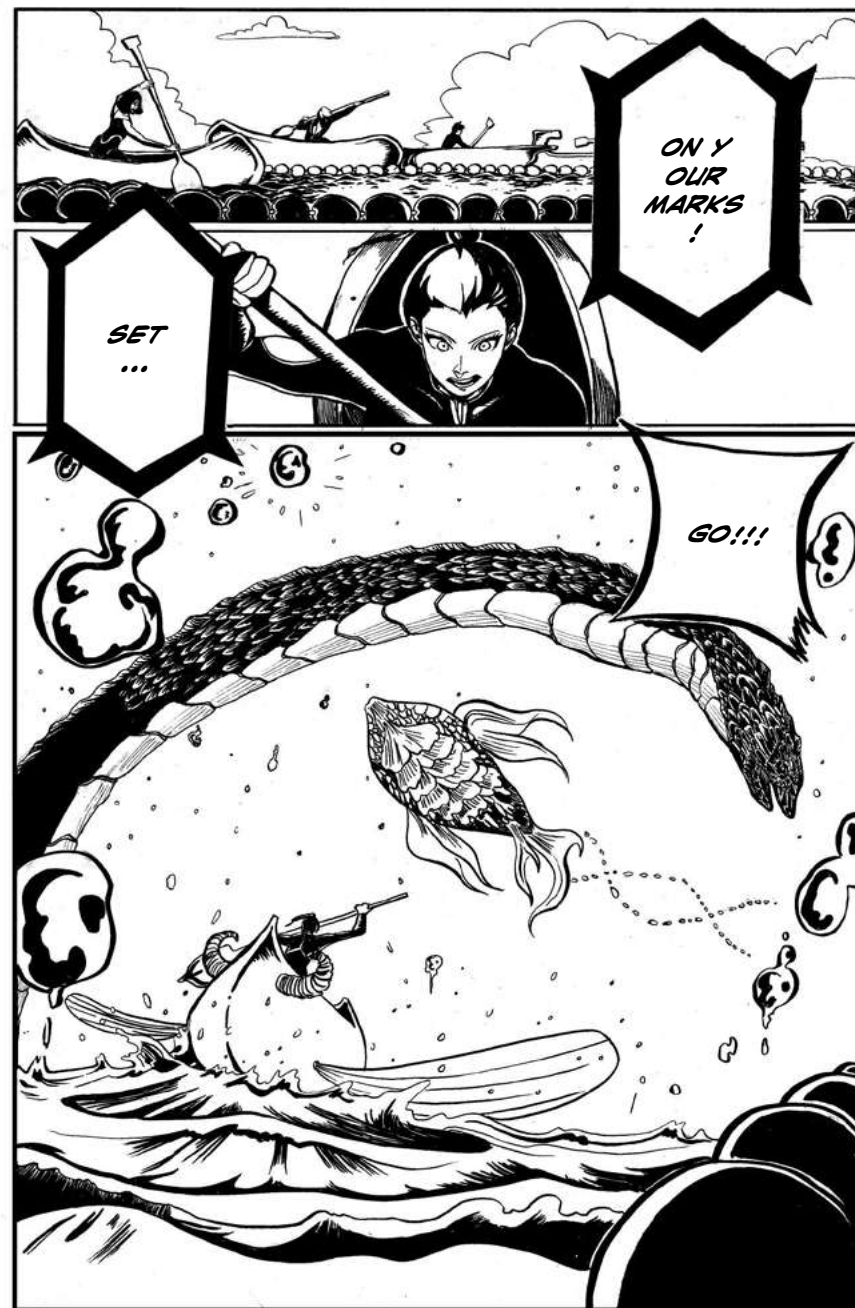
IT WILL
BE HARD,
BUT WITH
YOUR NEW
PROSTHESIS,
YOU WILL
DO IT!

YOU'RE
GOING TO
TRY TO MASTER
THE WINGS
OF HOPE.



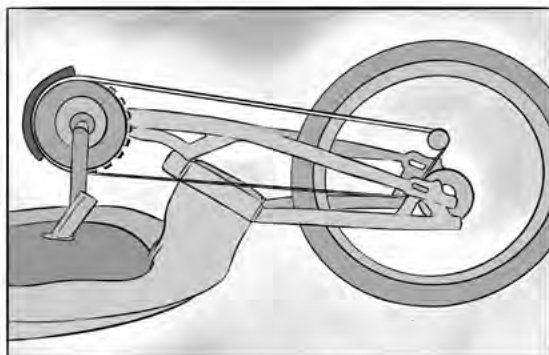
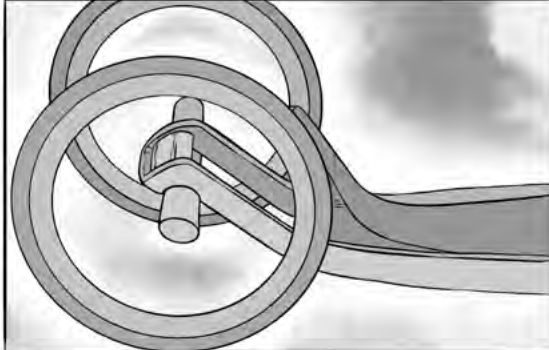
I CLOSED MY EYES AND I FELT
LIKE I WAS FLYING...

by Laszlo Bizeray
with the kind collaboration of
Anne Claveau



HANOBIKE

HELLO TO ALL OF OUR VIEWERS!!! YOU ARE NOW GOING TO DIVE INTO THE WORLD OF PARA CYCLING, A WORLD FILLED WITH INCREDIBLE ATHLETES DEFYING THE LIMITS OF SPEED WITH THEIR THREE-WHEELED BIKES !!!



SPEED, STRENGTH AND CONTROL ARE PUT TO THE TEST!!!

THIS COMPETITION SHOULD BE EPIC!!!



PARA CYCLING

ATHLETE: ANNE CLAVEAU

SHE HAS LOVED CYCLING SINCE SHE WAS YOUNG. ANNE CLAVEAU LEARNED AT 10 THAT SHE WAS AFFECTED WITH EPIPHYSIOLYSIS AND UNDERWENT 7 SURGERIES TO BE ABLE TO PURSUE HER PASSION. BUT A SERIOUS FALL CHANGED THE COURSE OF HER LIFE. NO PROBLEM! SHE NOW PRACTICES PARA CYCLING. SHE IS A PRIME EXAMPLE OF TENACITY, HAVING WON GOLD AT THE 2022 FRENCH CHAMPIONSHIPS.



"ON ANOTHER NOTE, SHE ADMITS, THE HANDBIKE ENABLES ME TO CONTINUE RAISING AWARENESS AMONG A DIVERSE AUDIENCE. I ADVOCATE FOR A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON DISABILITIES."

"
**NEVER FORGET
THAT NOTHING
IS IMPOS-
SIBLE**
"

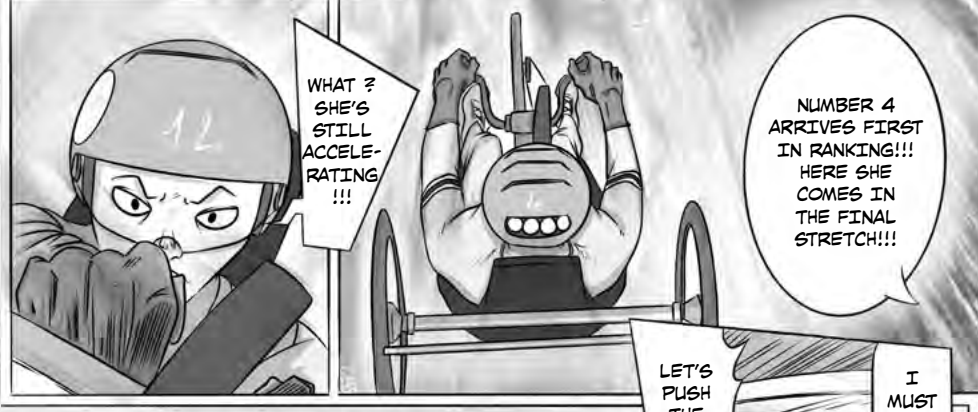
MANGAKA: LASZLO BIZERAY

LASZLO BIZERAY IS FREE SPIRITED, HAS THE SOUL OF AN ARTIST, AND FINDS THE WORLD'S BEAUTY CAPTIVATING.

HE TRIES TO EXPRESS HIS UNIQUE VISION THROUGH ART AND WISHES TO INSPIRE OTHERS WITH HIS CREATIVITY.



I HAVE TO
HOLD ON, I
NEED TO GO
EVEN FASTER.

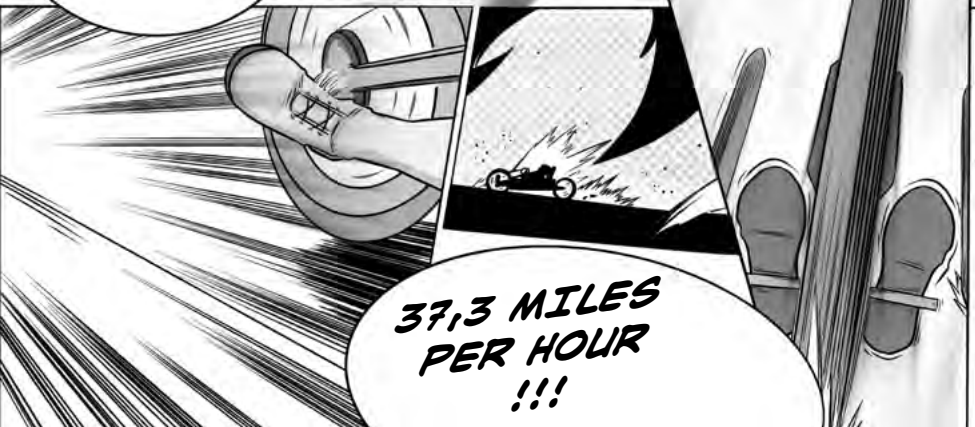


WHAT ?
SHE'S
STILL
ACCELE-
RATING
!!!

NUMBER 4
ARRIVES FIRST
IN RANKING!!!
HERE SHE
COMES IN
THE FINAL
STRETCH!!!



FABULOUS
!!!
I THINK WE HAVE A
NEW SPEED RECORD
!!!



37,3 MILES
PER HOUR
!!!



HOW'S
THAT
POS-
SIBLE
?!!

LET'S
PUSH
THE
PACE!

I
MUST
GIVE
MY
ALL!



WHAT
A CROWD
!!!

LET'S GO,
GIVE ALL
YOU'VE GOT
!!!

HOW
FAST
SHE IS
!!!

Winner

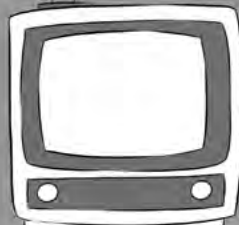
WHAT
A RACE
!!!

BRAVO!

AMAZING
!!!



DO YOU HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS, KIDS ?



MISS, MISS!!!

YES,
TIMOTHÉE
?



WHAT DO YOU THINK IS
THE MOST IMPORTANT
THING TO HELP KEEP
YOUR HEAD UP WHEN LIFE
CHALLENGES YOU?!!

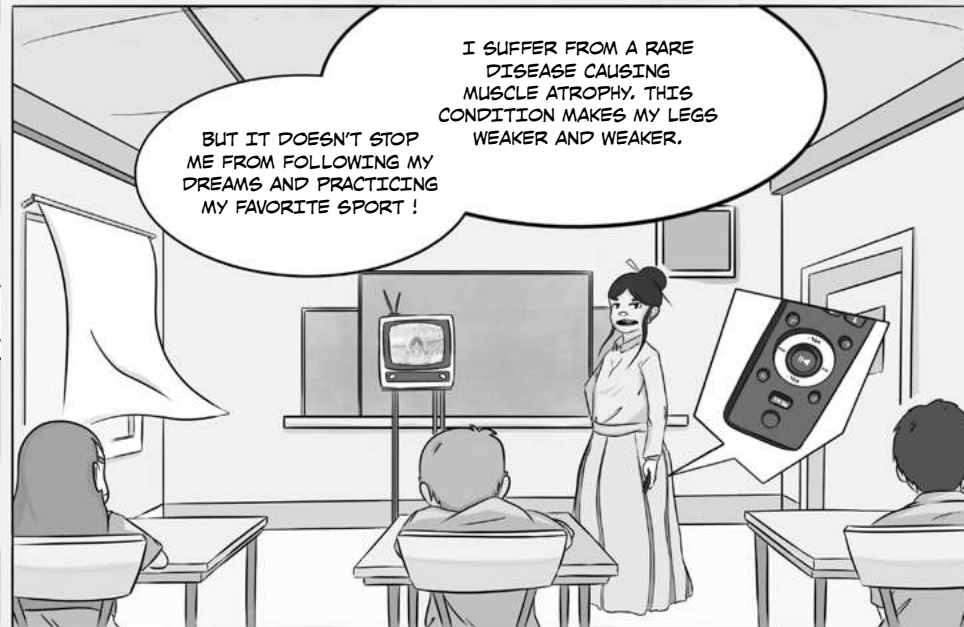


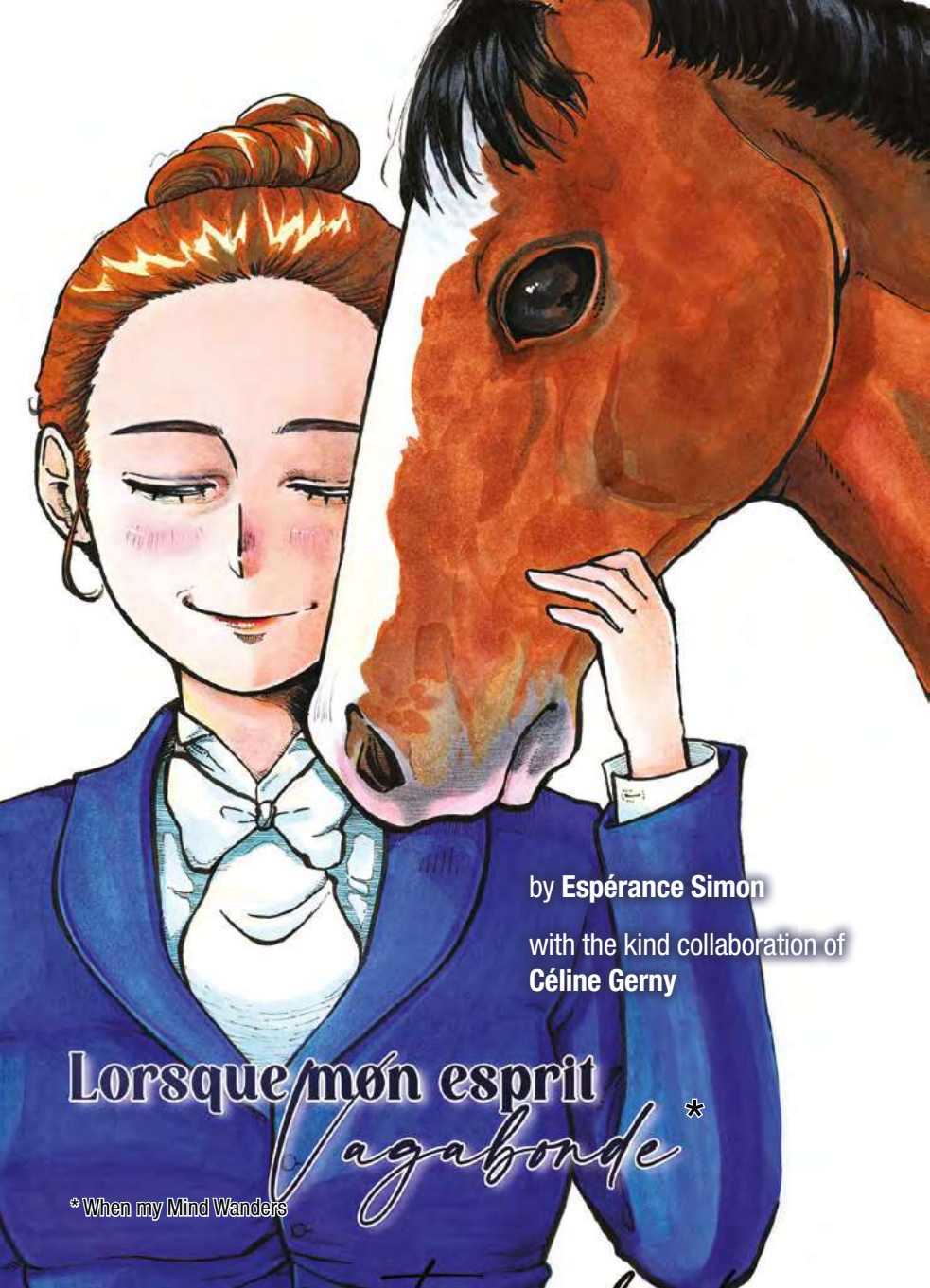
HI KIDS ! MY NAME IS ANNE
CLAVEAU, DOUBLE-GOLD-
MEDALIST
IN THE 2022 PARA CYCLING
FRENCH CHAMPIONSHIP.



I SUFFER FROM A RARE
DISEASE CAUSING
MUSCLE ATROPHY. THIS
CONDITION MAKES MY LEGS
WEAKER AND WEAKER.

BUT IT DOESN'T STOP
ME FROM FOLLOWING MY
DREAMS AND PRACTICING
MY FAVORITE SPORT !





by Espérance Simon

with the kind collaboration of
Céline Gerny

Lorsque mon esprit
vagabonde *

*When my Mind Wanders



EXCELLENT
QUESTION.

I WILL ANSWER YOU,
TIMOTHÉE...

**STRENGTH, HUMILITY
AND FAIRPLAY!**
FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS WITH
YOUR HEAD HELD HIGH AND
NEVER FORGET THAT
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE!



WOW
MISS,
YOU'RE
TOO COOL
!



PARA EQUESTRIAN

ATHLETE: CÉLINE GERNY

PARAPLEGIC AFTER A HORSEBACK RIDING ACCIDENT, CELINE GERNY RAPIDLY STARTED RIDING AGAIN, DESPITE HER DOCTORS' DISAPPROVAL, AND JOINED THE FRENCH HORSE DRESSAGE TEAM ! IN 2005 AND 2009 SHE WON A BRONZE MEDAL IN THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP.

THIS EXPERIENCED RIDER, WITH NOW TWENTY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE, IS A MODEL OF COURAGE AND ABNEGATION : "I OVERCOME MY DISABILITY WHEN I AM WITH MY HORSES. WITH MY PRACTICE, I AM GETTING THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT TO MAKE MY LIFE NOTABLE AND MEMORABLE"



"
**FOLLOW YOUR
DREAMS TO MAKE
YOUR LIFE
MEMORABLE**
"

MANGAKAS:

EDEN MALUVIEL &
ESPÉRENCE SIMON

WE ARE TWO ARTISTS WHO LOVE
ANIMALS, INCLUDING CATS!









SOON
WE'LL BE
OFF TO
VERSAILLES.



ARE
YOU
READY
?



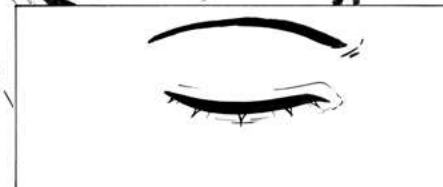
NO
...
WE ARE
READY
!



I'M SO
PROUD
OF YOU
!



AND YOU
CAN BE
PROUD
TOO
!

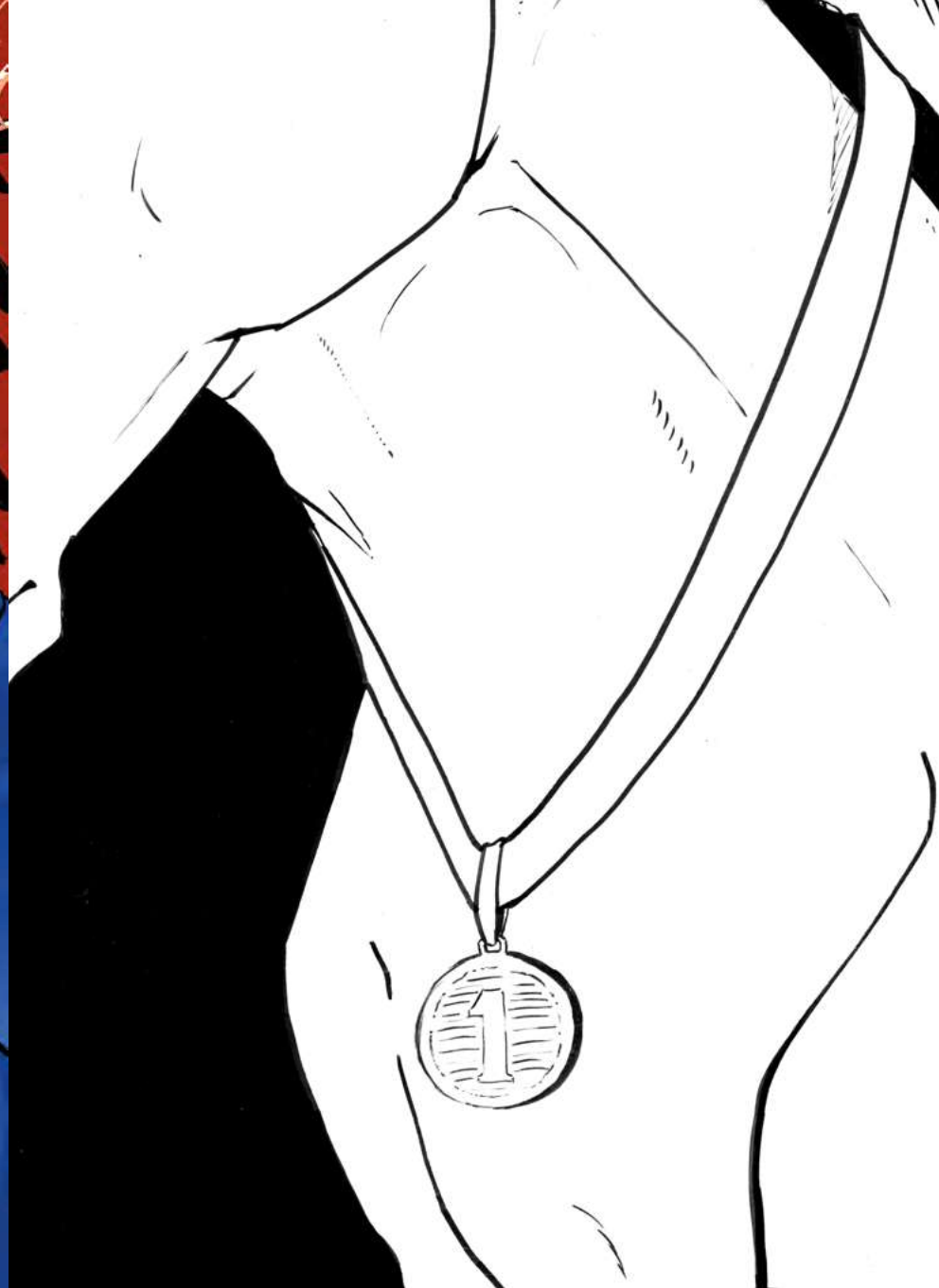


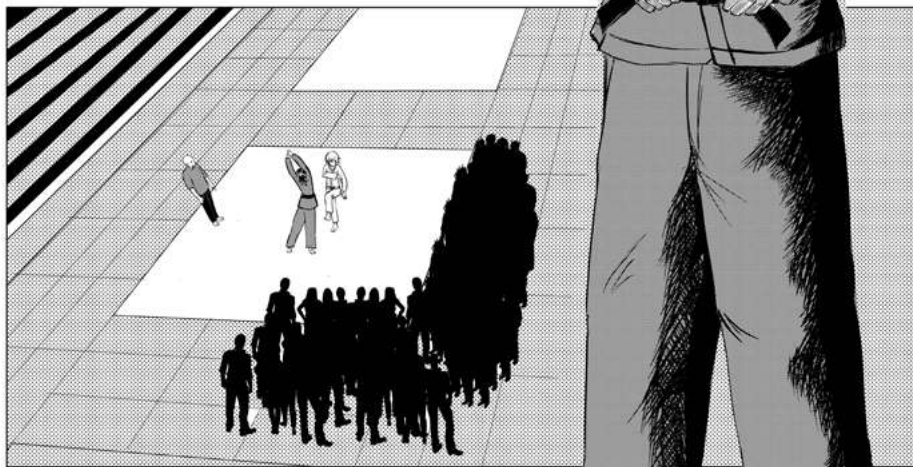


PARA JUDO

by **Imdrane Chanfi**

with the kind collaboration of
Hélios Latchoumanaya





PARA JUDO

ATHLETE: HÉLIOS LATCHOUMANAYA

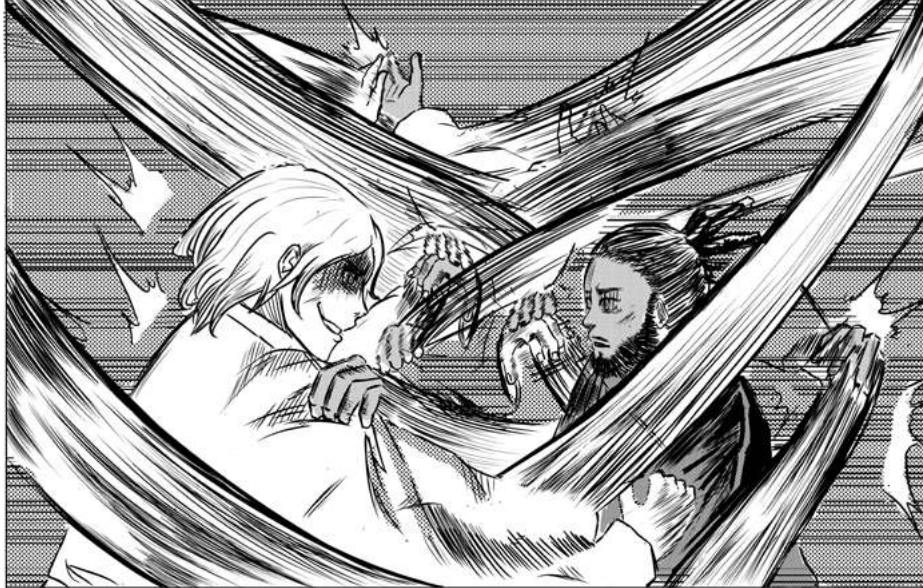
HELIOS LATCHOUMANAYA SUFFERS FROM A DEGENERATIVE EYE DISEASE, RETINITIS PIGMENTOSA. HE WOULD NOT CONSIDER HIS DISABILITY A STRENGTH BUT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT OFFERED HIM MANY OPPORTUNITIES, LIKE BEING ABLE TO LIVE HIS PASSION, JUDO. HE ACHIEVED THE FEAT OF RETAINING HIS EUROPEAN AND WORLD CHAMPION TITLES IN PARA JUDO IN 2023. WHILE HE FEELS THAT THE PARIS PARALYMPIC GAMES WILL PARTICULARLY SHINE, THE ONE WHO CAN BARELY SEE WHEN THE DAY FADES HOPES THAT THE LIGHT WON'T GO OUT JUST AFTER THE GAMES.



"
*BE WILLING TO
TAKE UP ANY
CHALLENGE*
"

MANGAKA: IMDRANE CHANFI

IMDRANE LOVES MAKING UP STORIES AND HIS STYLE IS NOT REALLY ORDINARY. HE HOPES YOU WILL LOVE HIS FIRST MANGA AND WISHES YOU A PLEASANT READ!



THE
OTHER
GUY IS ALEX.
25 CHAM-
PIONSHIP
WINS
SO FAR.

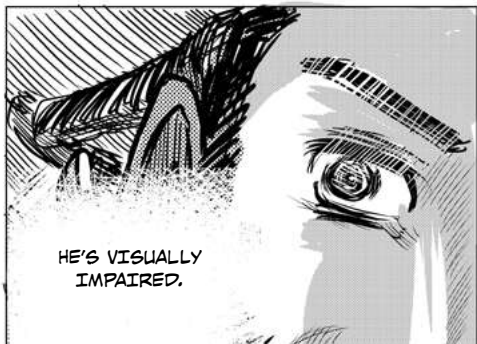
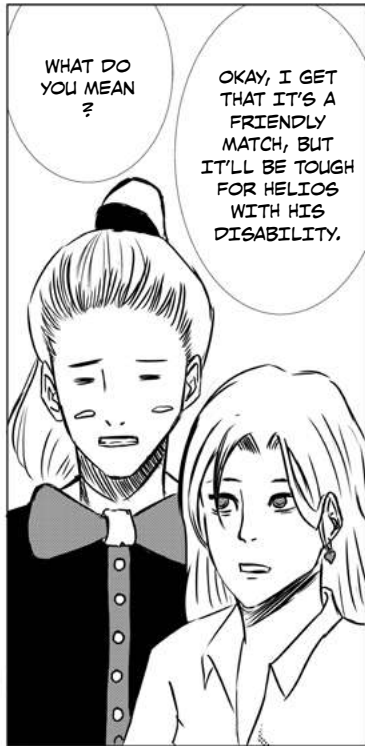


THIS
IS HELIOS.
A TOKYO
PARALYMPICS
BRONZE MEDALIST.
A 2022 AND 2023
WORLD CHAMPION...
HE IS REALLY
GOOD.



WHAT DO
YOU MEAN
?

OKAY, I GET
THAT IT'S A
FRIENDLY
MATCH, BUT
IT'LL BE TOUGH
FOR HELIOS
WITH HIS
DISABILITY.



HE'S VISUALLY
IMPAIRED.



HERE
WE GO !
GRAB EACH
OTHER'S
KIMONO AND
GET
STARTED.



HERE'S
ANOTHER ONE WHO
UNDERESTIMATES
PARA SPORTS.
HE'S GOING TO
BE SURPRISED
...



GET
READY,
I'M
GIVING
IT MY
ALL THIS
TIME.

JUDGING
FROM HIS
SMILE, IT'S
OBVIOUS HE
IS PLANNING
A SINGLE
MOVE.



HE'S SO
RESIE-
LIENT!



JUST
LIKE ALL
HIGH-LEVEL
ATHLETES
...



YOU'RE GONNA
SEE WHO'S THE
REAL JUDOKA
...

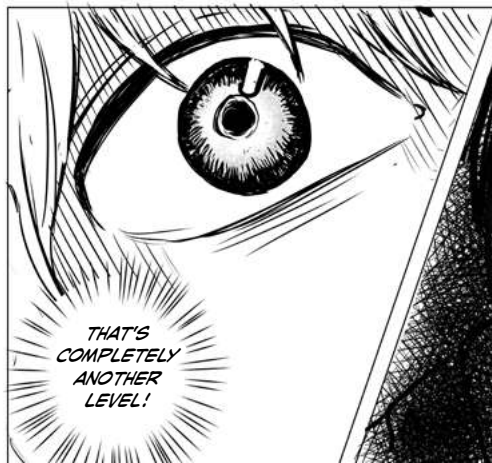




PARA SPORT
ATHLETES
...

I'VE
GOT YOU.
YOU'RE
OUT
!

TRAIN HARD
TO EXCEL....



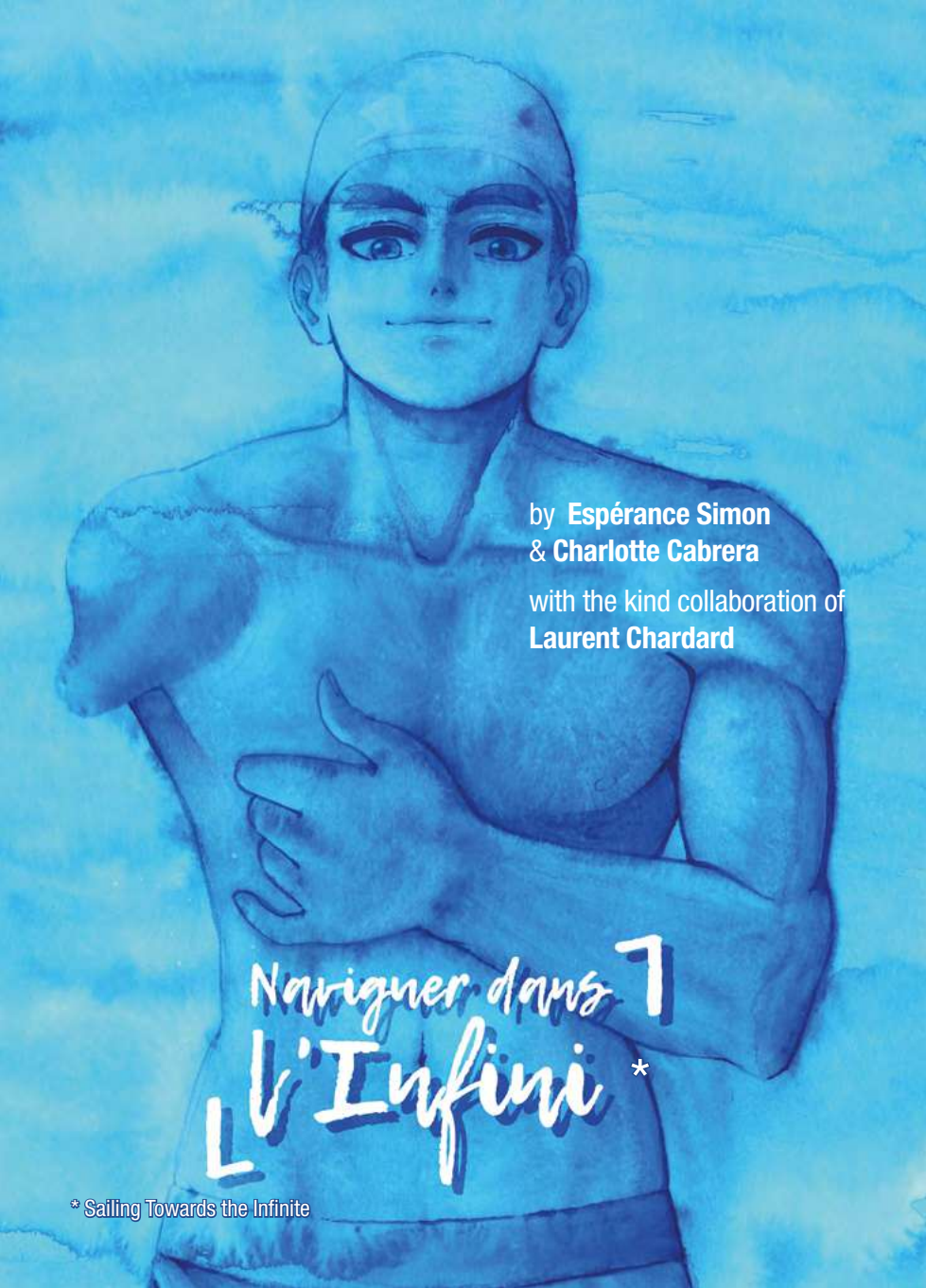
THAT'S
COMPLETELY
ANOTHER
LEVEL!



WHAT'S
HAPPENING
?



THEY ARE
HIGH-LEVEL
ATHLETES
TOO.

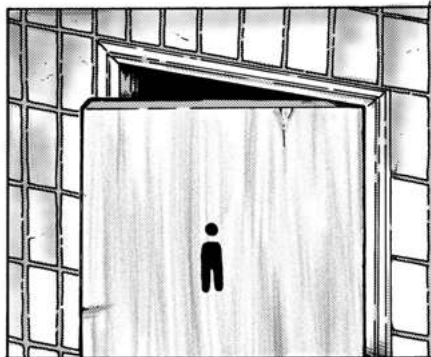
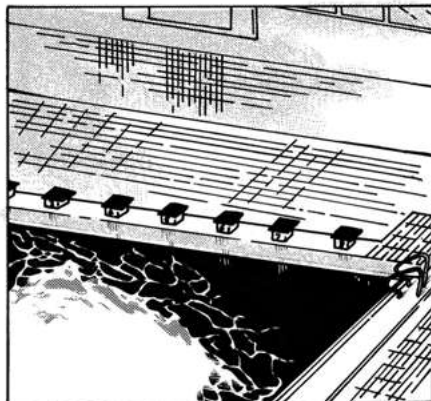


by **Espérance Simon**
& **Charlotte Cabrera**
with the kind collaboration of
Laurent Chardard

Navigation dans
L'Infini *

* Sailing Towards the Infinite





PARA SWIMMING

ATHLETE: LAURENT CHARDARD

ATTACKED BY A SHARK IN 2017, SWIMMER LAURENT CHARDARD, MISSING HIS RIGHT ARM AND LEG, BRILLIANTLY DOVE INTO PARA SPORTS ! HE IS AN EXAMPLE OF TENACITY. HE WON SILVER AND BRONZE IN THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, TWO YEARS AFTER HIS ACCIDENT ! SINCE THEN, HE HAS BEEN FLOODED WITH SUCCESSES AND MEDALS. IN 2022 HE CONFIRMED HIS WORLD CHAMPION TITLE, WINNING GOLD AGAIN FOR THE 50 METERS BUTTERFLY. HIS MOTTO ? "DO WHAT YOU LIKE AND PERSEVERE"



"
**ALWAYS MOVE
FORWARD**
"

MANGAKAS: CHARLOTTE CABRERA & ESPÉRANCE SIMON

A DYNAMIC MANGAKA TEAM COMPOSED OF TWO PASSIONATE FRIENDS, JUGGLING BETWEEN STRATEGY AND COMEDY FOR EPIC MOMENTS FILLED WITH LAUGHTER AND CHALLENGES.



IT'S
JUST
THE
BEGIN-
NING

I'M
STARTING
MY TRAINING
TO ACHIEVE
MY GOAL!

BUT WITH
SOME
EFFORTS, I
KNOW I CAN
MAKE IT
!!!

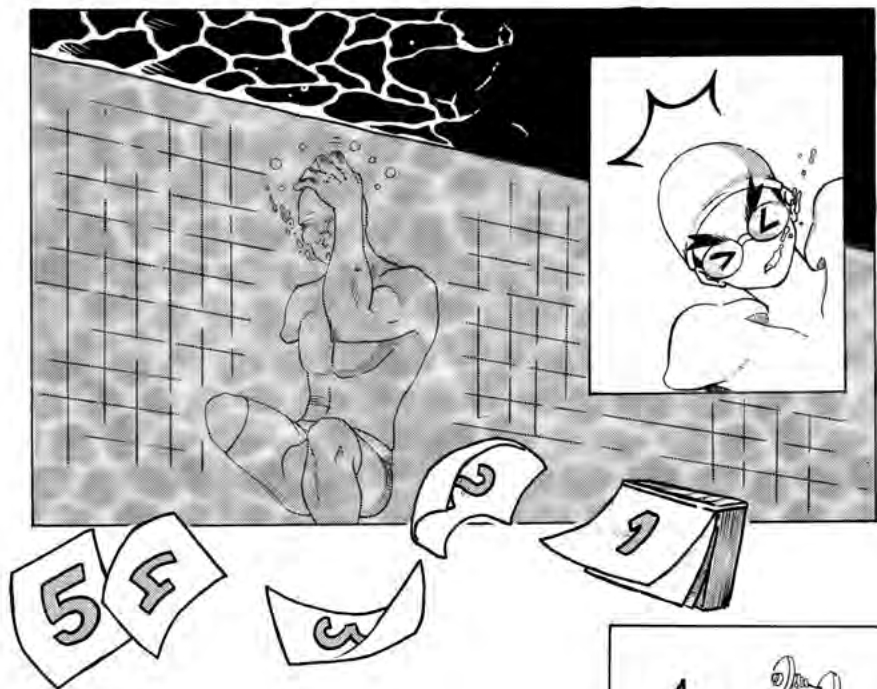




WELL,
NOW I
NEED A
STRATEGY!

A
STRATEGY
...





NOUVELLE VOIE*

by Brice Pierre

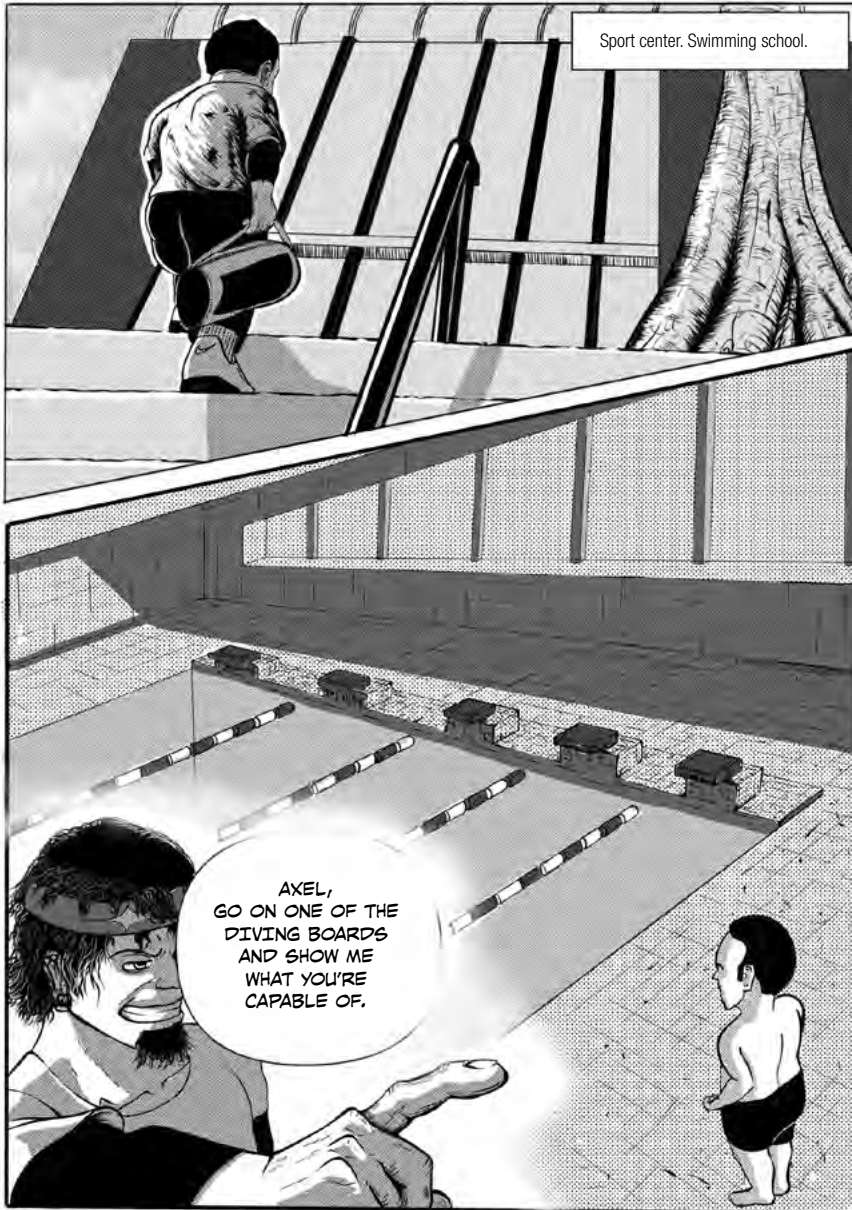
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Axel Bourlon



* A New Path



Sport center. Swimming school.



PARA POWERLIFTING

ATHLETE: AXEL BOURLON

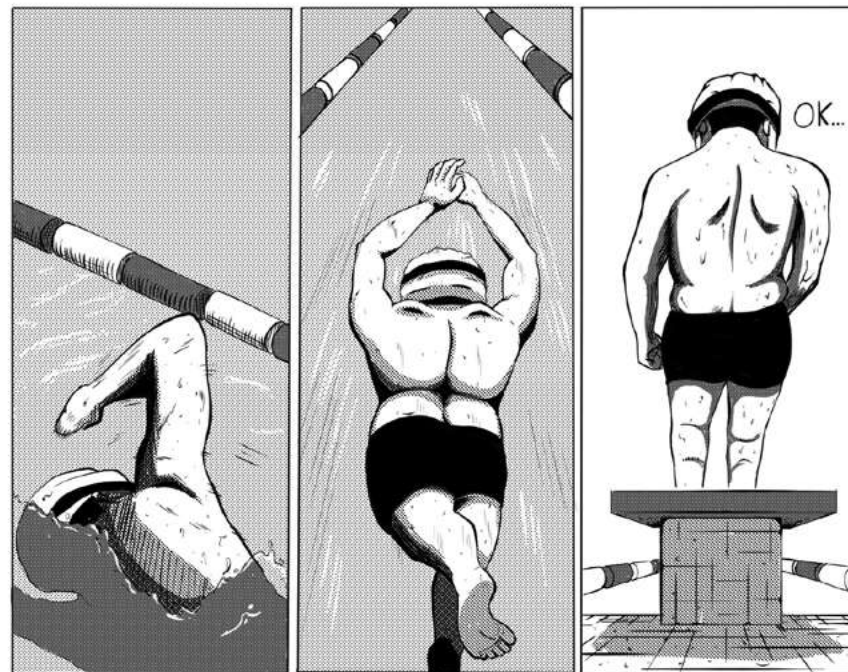
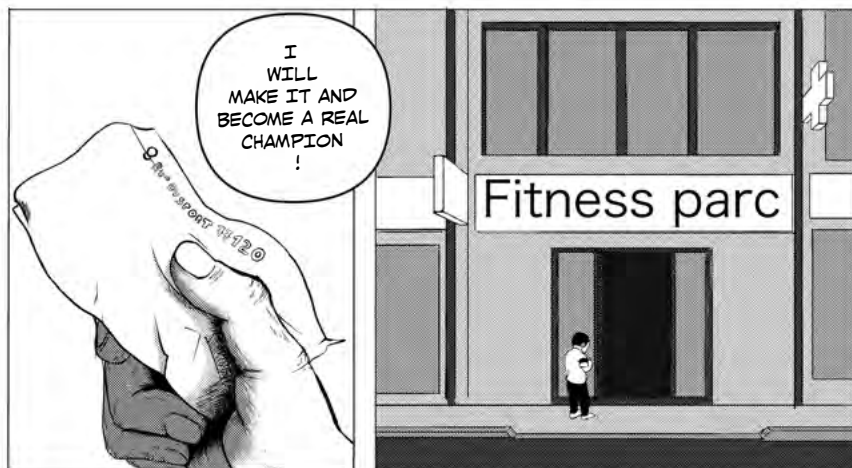
DIAGNOSED WITH ACHONDROPLASIA, AXEL BOURLON STARTED POWERLIFTING TO BUILD MUSCLE SO HE COULD LEARN HOW TO SWIM. INSPIRED BY PARALYMPIC ATHLETE MARTINE SERVAJEAN, HE THEN VENTURED INTO PARA POWERLIFTING. HE BECAME VICE CHAMPION OF FRANCE AT HIS FIRST PARTICIPATION AND WENT ON TO WIN SEVERAL MEDALS, NAMELY SILVER AT THE TOKYO GAMES AND GOLD AT THE 2021 WORLD CUP. EVEN THOUGH HE SETS THE BAR HIGH, THIS MODEL OF RESILIENCE EMPHASIZES THAT HE'S "NOT HERE BY CHANCE" AND THAT THE HARD WORK REQUIRED FOR SUCCESS SHOULD NOT BE UNDERESTIMATED!



"
**NEVER GIVE UP
ON YOUR GOALS**
"

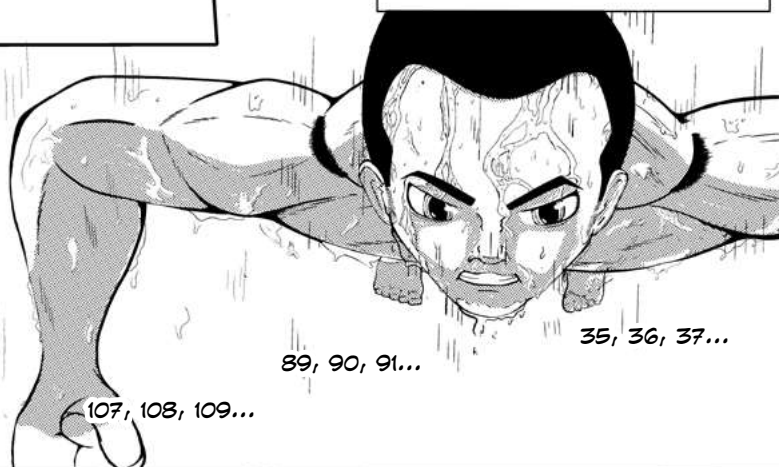
MANGAKA: BRICE PIERRE

BRICE PIERRE, AKA BARYOZ THE MANGAKA, DREW EIGHT PAGES AND THE COVER PAGE OF PARA POWERLIFTING. YOU CAN FOLLOW HIM ON SOCIAL MEDIA : INSTAGRAM BARYOZ4.





A year of training later.



89, 90, 91...

35, 36, 37...

107, 108, 109...



I WILL...
I WILL BECOME
THE BEST, I WILL
NOT GIVE UP.
ONE MORE,
ONE MORE
...



HI,
YOU'RE AXEL
BOURLON?
I WAS TOLD
YOU WERE
COMING.

YES,
THAT'S ME.
WHO ARE YOU
?

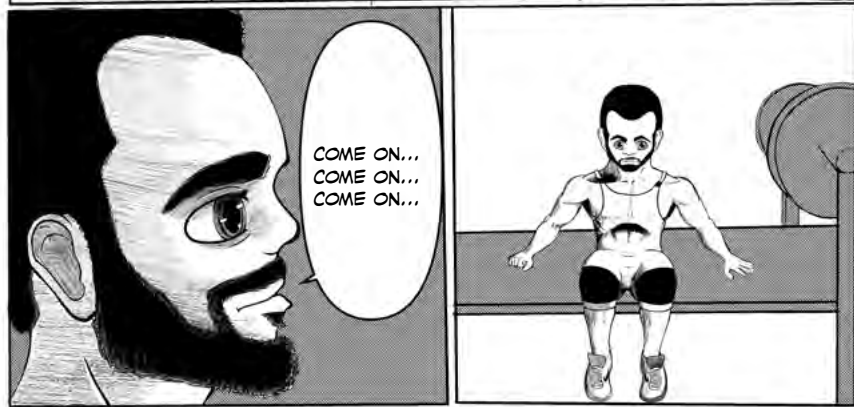
I AM
LUCIE,
A PARA
POWER-
LIFTING
COACH.

IF
YOU
...

ARE
WILLING
TO DEVOTE
YOURSELF
FULLY?
I WILL MAKE
A CHAMPION
OUT OF YOU.

OK!

GREAT!

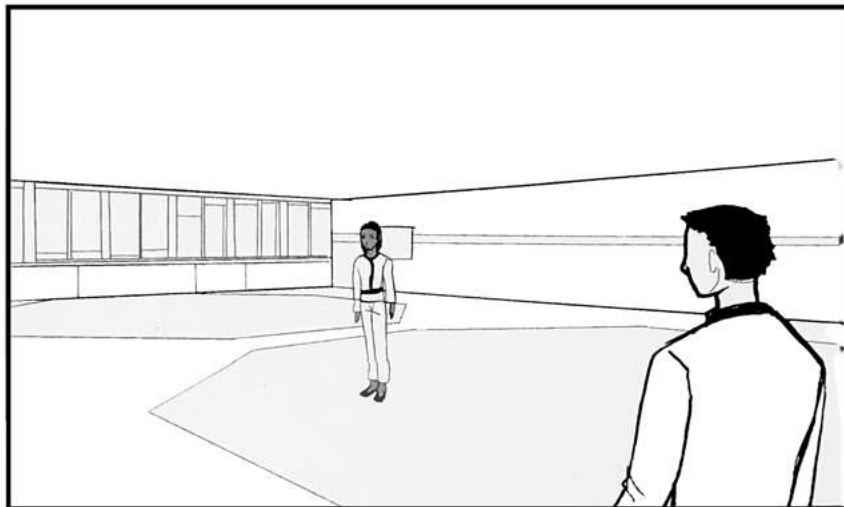


BOPHA - KONG

by Kyllian N'go Bikque

with the kind collaboration of
Bopha Kong





PARA TAEKWONDO

ATHLETE: BOPHA KONG

BOPHA KONG'S PASSION FOR MARTIAL ARTS EMERGED THANKS TO ACTOR SUCH AS JACKIE CHAN OR BRUCE LEE. AS A TEENAGER, HE STARTED ENGLISH BOXING BUT HE LOST HIS UPPER LIMBS IN A BOMBING. SINCE THEN, BOPHA LONG HAS DEDICATED HIMSELF TO PARA TAEKWONDO, BECOMING A REFERENCE AS A FOUR-TIME-WORLD-CHAMPIONSHIP-WINNER AND THREE-TIME-EUROPEAN-CHAMPION.

HE PROMOTES PARA TAEKWONDO FOR ALL THE GOOD THINGS HE GOT FROM IT "TAEKWONDO BROUGHT ME VALUES LIKE RESPECT, SELF-CONFIDENCE, AND EXCEEDING MY LIMITS."



"
**DETERMINATION
DISTINGUISHES
THOSE WHO
SUCCEED
FROM THOSE
WHO GIVE
UP**
"

MANGAKA: KYLILIAN N'GO BIKQUE

N'GO BIKQUE KYLILIAN IS A THIRD-YEAR STUDENT IN MANGA DRAWING AT BONJOUR-FRANCE-JAPON SCHOOL, ESTABLISHED IN SAINT-QUENTIN YVELINES, FRANCE. SINCE SECONDARY SCHOOL, IN 7TH GRADE, HE HAS WANTED TO BECOME A MANGAKA AND TO, ONE DAY, PUBLISH HIS OWN MANGA...



HOLD
YOUR
GUARD.



OH NO.



NO WAY,
I LOST AGAIN.



YOU CAN'T
EVER GIVE
UP.



GET BACK UP,
BOPHA.



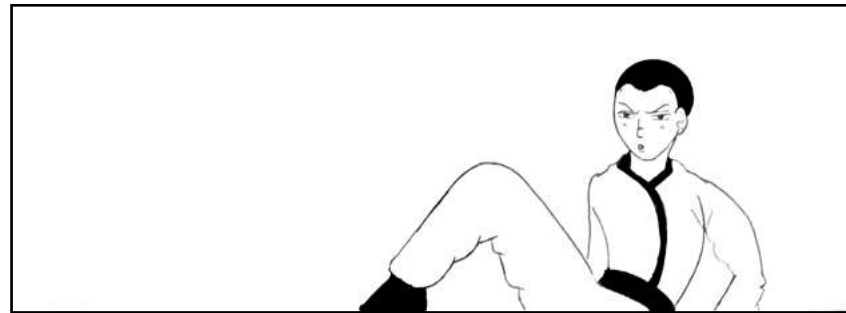
SI-JAHK.*

* In taekwondo, "Si-Jahk"
means "Begin".



GREAT,
BUT
...



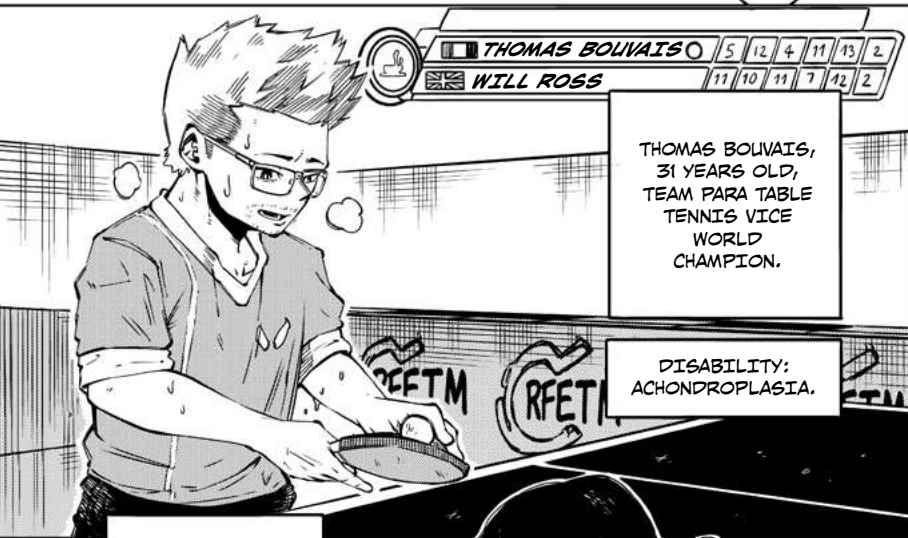
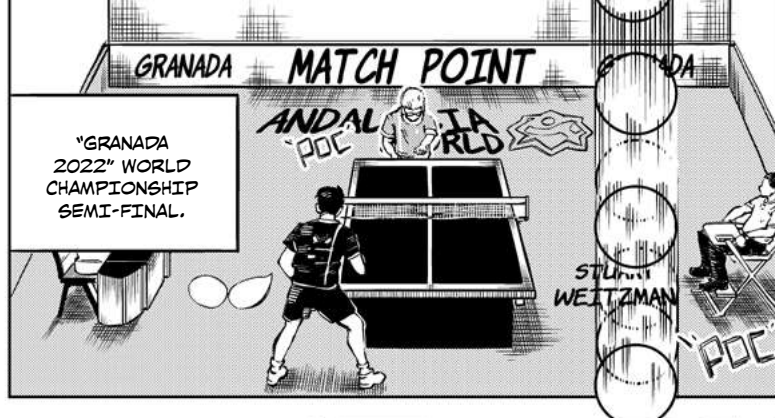


FIN D YOURSELF



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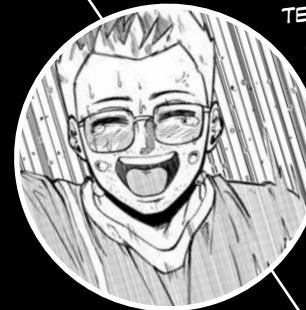




PARA TABLE TENNIS

ATHLETE: THOMAS BOUVAIS

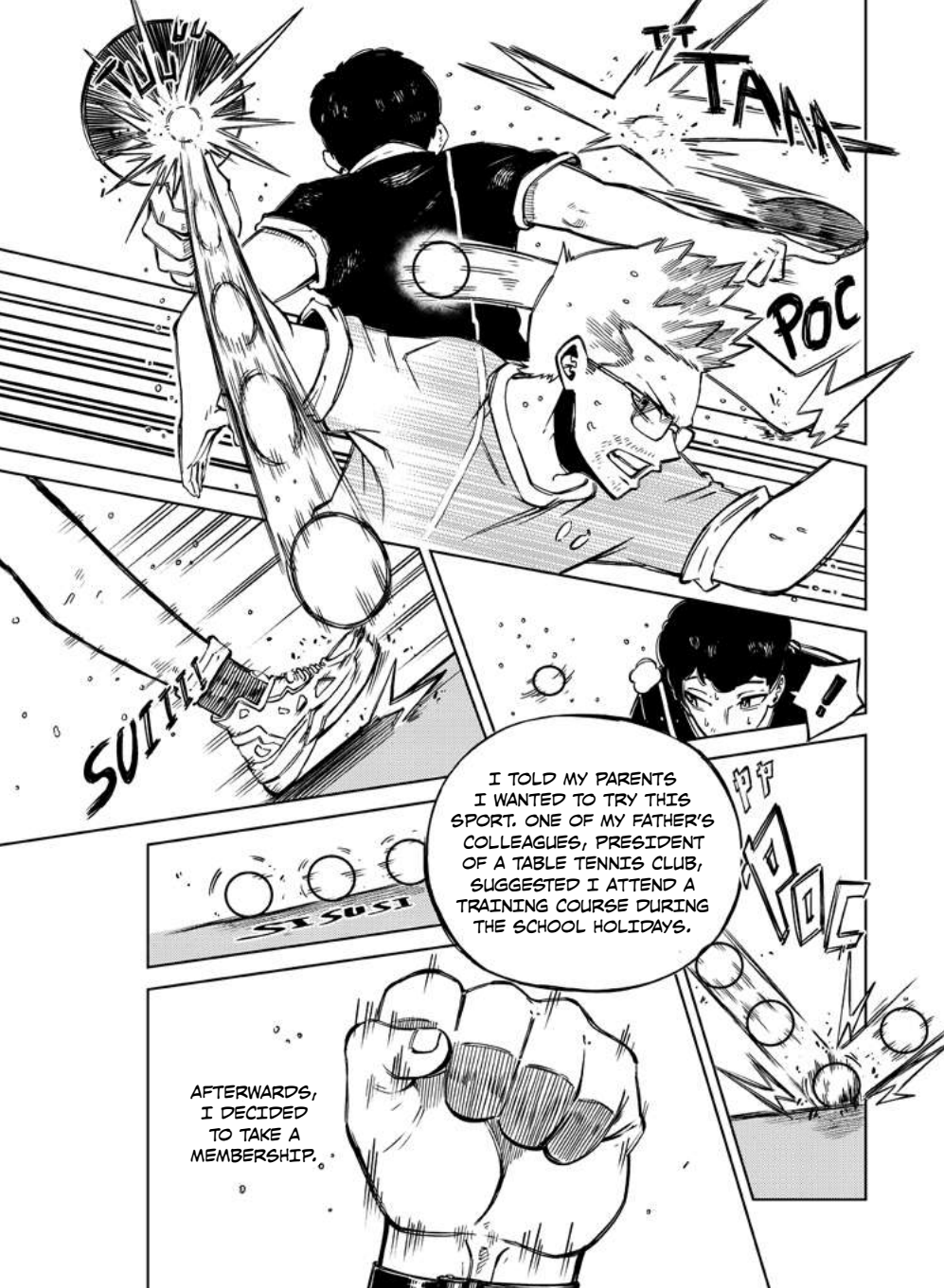
THOMAS BOUVAIS, FRENCH PARA TABLE TENNIS PLAYER, IS A VERSATILE ATHLETE WHO HAS EXPLORED DIFFERENT FIELDS BEFORE FOCUSING ON HIS PASSION AT THE AGE OF 10. SINCE 2010, HE HAS EXCELLED INTERNATIONALLY, NAMELY BY WINNING A SILVER MEDAL IN MEN'S CLASS 8 SINGLE, AND A BRONZE MEDAL IN MEN'S CLASS 8 DOUBLE, DURING THE 2022 GRENADA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP. HE ALSO WON A BRONZE MEDAL IN A TEAM COMPETITION, DURING THE 2021 TOKYO PARALYMPIC GAMES. HIS RESILIENCE AND SUCCESS MAKE OF HIM AN INSPIRING FIGURE IN PARA SPORT.



“
IT'S THROUGH
FAILURE THAT WE
LEARN THE MOST
”

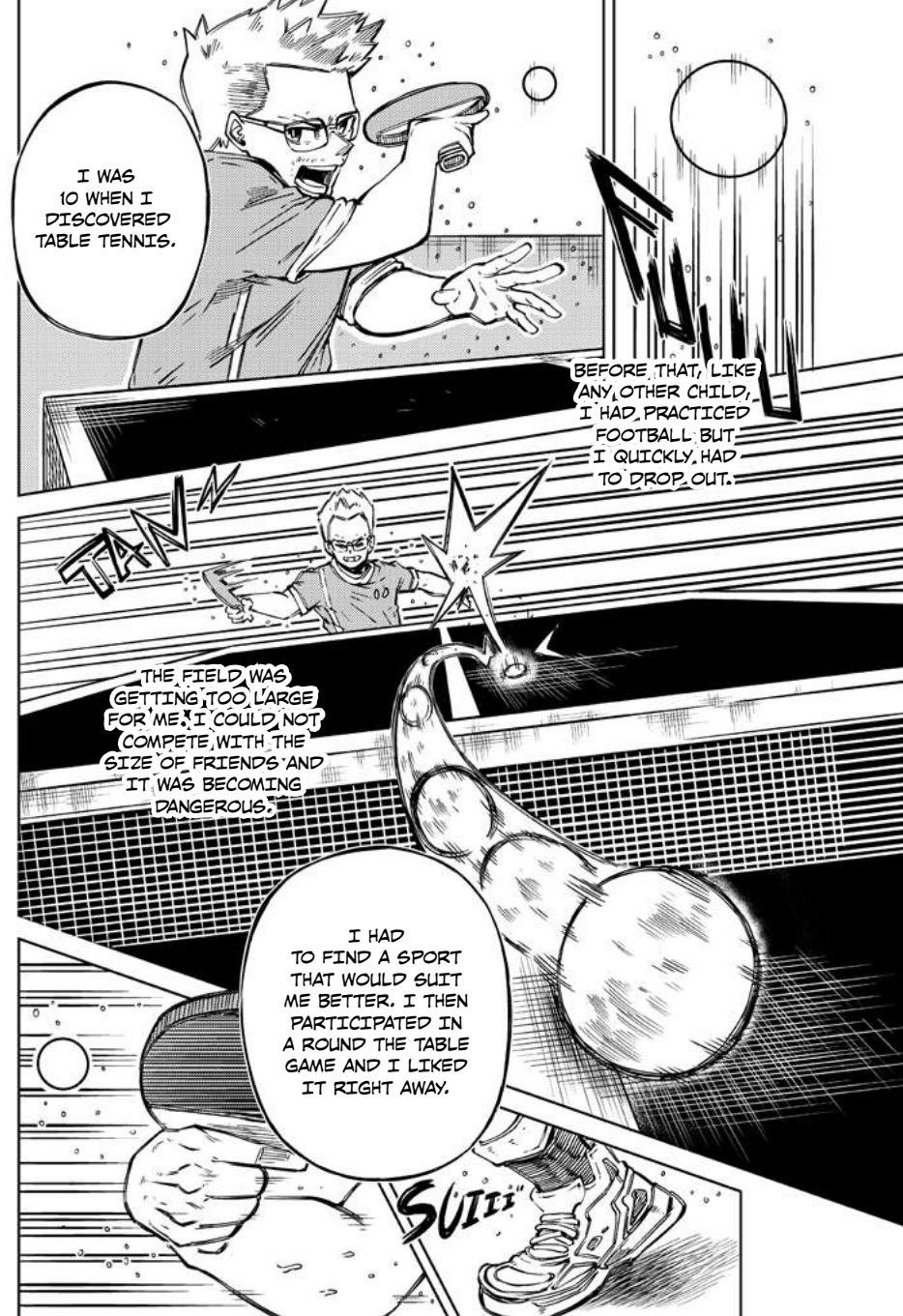
MANGAKA: KUROTSYA

AGED 25, JEREMIE AYEMOLI, AKA KUROTSYA HAS BEEN READING AND DRAWING EVER SINCE HE WAS A CHILD. A AAA - MANGA SCHOOL GRADUATE, HE BECAME A SELF ENTREPRENEUR AND COORDINATES MANGA INITIATION WORKSHOPS, WHILE PREPARING HIS PUBLICATION FILES.



I TOLD MY PARENTS
I WANTED TO TRY THIS
SPORT. ONE OF MY FATHER'S
COLLEAGUES, PRESIDENT
OF A TABLE TENNIS CLUB,
SUGGESTED I ATTEND A
TRAINING COURSE DURING
THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

AFTERWARDS,
I DECIDED
TO TAKE A
MEMBERSHIP.

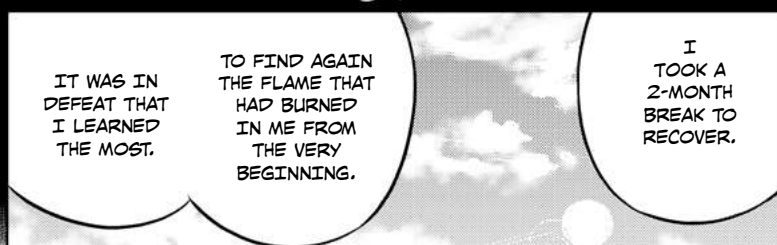


I WAS
10 WHEN I
DISCOVERED
TABLE TENNIS.

BEFORE THAT, LIKE
ANY OTHER CHILD,
I HAD PRACTICED
FOOTBALL BUT
I QUICKLY HAD
TO DROP OUT.

THE FIELD WAS
GETTING TOO LARGE
FOR ME. I COULD NOT
COMPETE WITH THE
SIZE OF FRIENDS AND
IT WAS BECOMING
DANGEROUS.

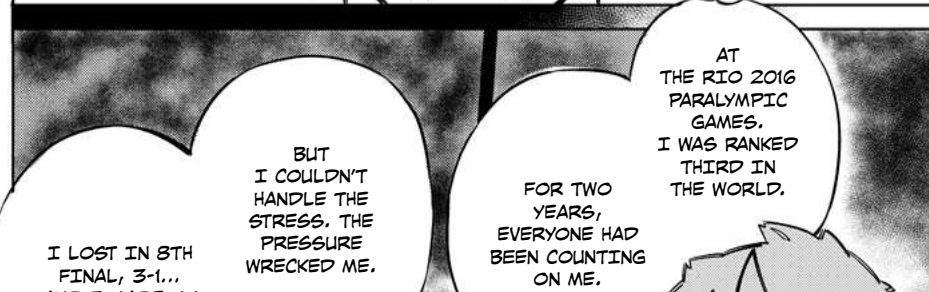
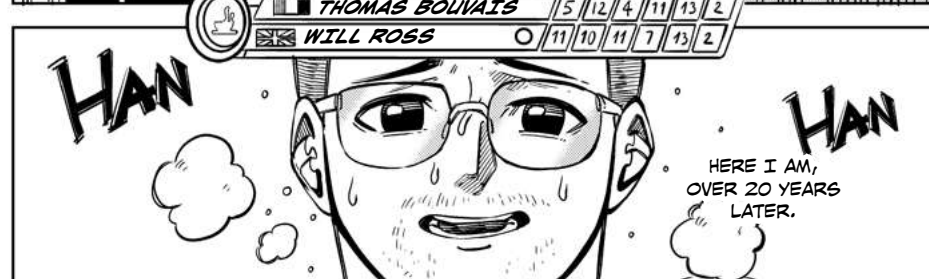
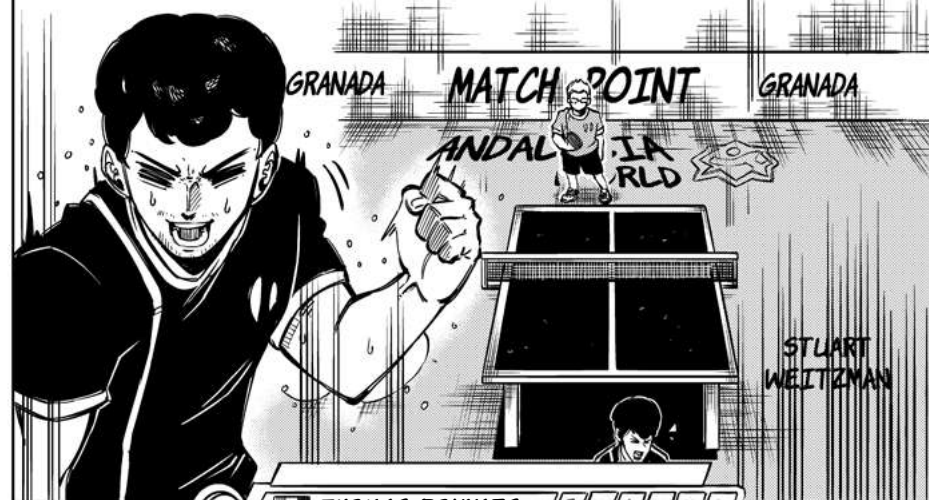
I HAD
TO FIND A SPORT
THAT WOULD SUIT
ME BETTER. I THEN
PARTICIPATED IN
A ROUND THE TABLE
GAME AND I LIKED
IT RIGHT AWAY.



TO FIND AGAIN
THE FLAME THAT
HAD BURNED
IN ME FROM
THE VERY
BEGINNING.



I
TOOK A
2-MONTH
BREAK TO
RECOVER.



I LOST IN 8TH
FINAL, 3-1...
AND I MADE MY
TEAM LOSE.

BUT
I COULDN'T
HANDLE THE
STRESS. THE
PRESSURE
WRECKED ME.

FOR TWO
YEARS,
EVERYONE HAD
BEEN COUNTING
ON ME.

AT
THE RIO 2016
PARALYMPIC
GAMES,
I WAS RANKED
THIRD IN
THE WORLD.

HAN

HAN

HERE I AM,
OVER 20 YEARS
LATER.

GRANADA

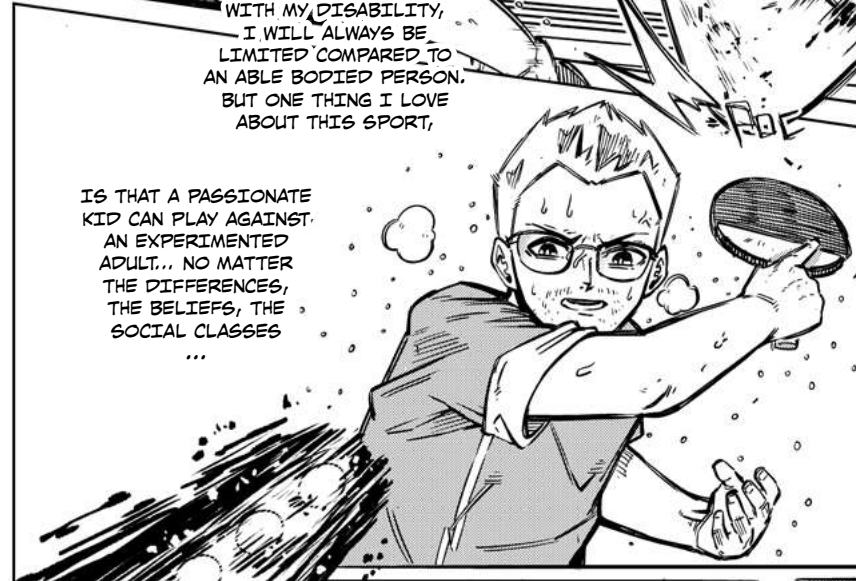
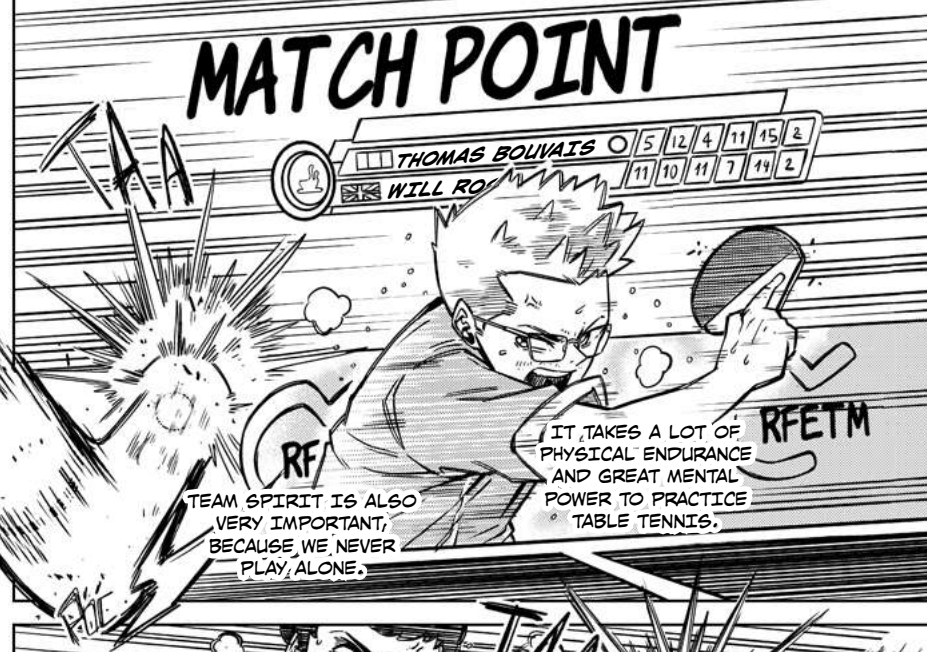
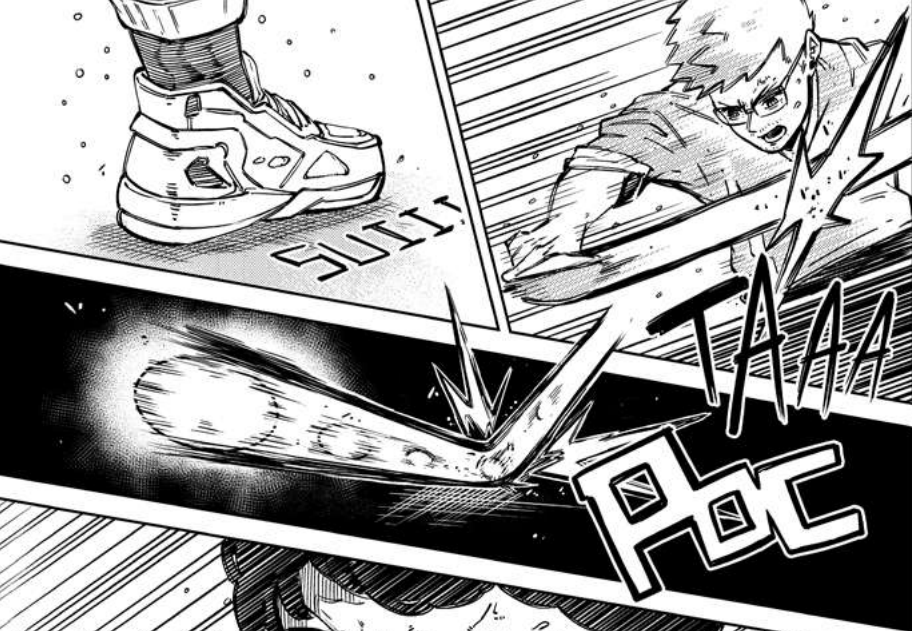
MATCH POINT

GRANADA

ANDALUSIA
WORLD

STUART
WEITZMAN

THOMAS BOUVAIS	5	12	4	11	13	2
WILL ROSS	11	10	11	7	13	2



TEAM SPIRIT IS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT, BECAUSE WE NEVER PLAY ALONE.

IT TAKES A LOT OF PHYSICAL ENDURANCE AND GREAT MENTAL POWER TO PRACTICE TABLE TENNIS.

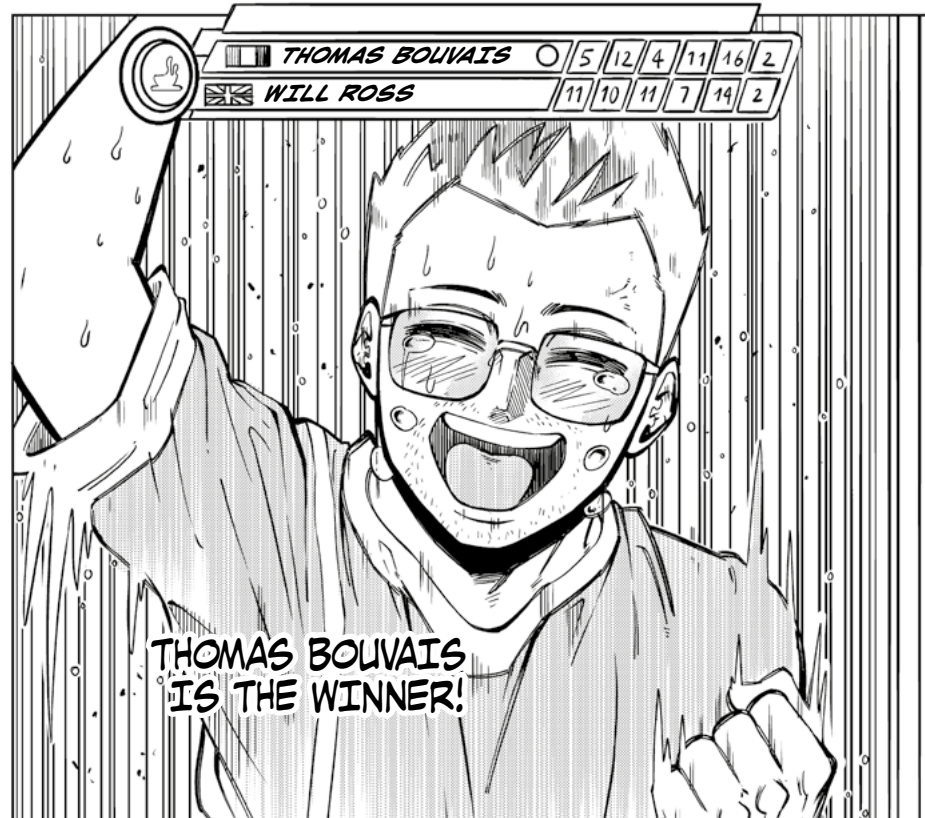
WITH MY DISABILITY, I WILL ALWAYS BE LIMITED COMPARED TO AN ABLE BODIED PERSON. BUT ONE THING I LOVE ABOUT THIS SPORT,

IS THAT A PASSIONATE KID CAN PLAY AGAINST AN EXPERIMENTED ADULT... NO MATTER THE DIFFERENCES, THE BELIEFS, THE SOCIAL CLASSES

the10

by Ina Sofronieva

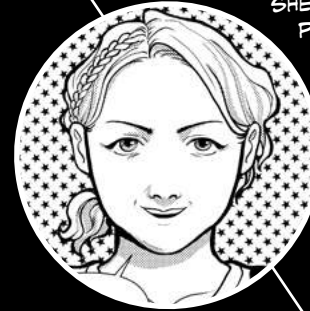
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PARA ARCHERY

ATHLETE JULIE RIGALT-CHUPIN

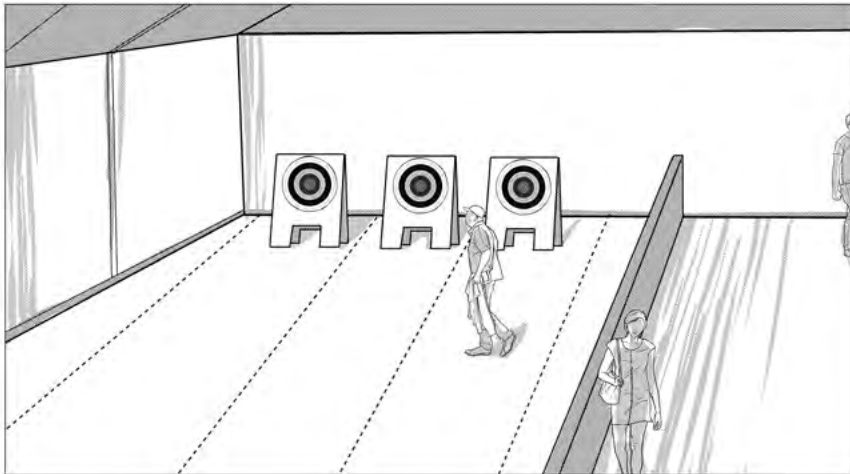
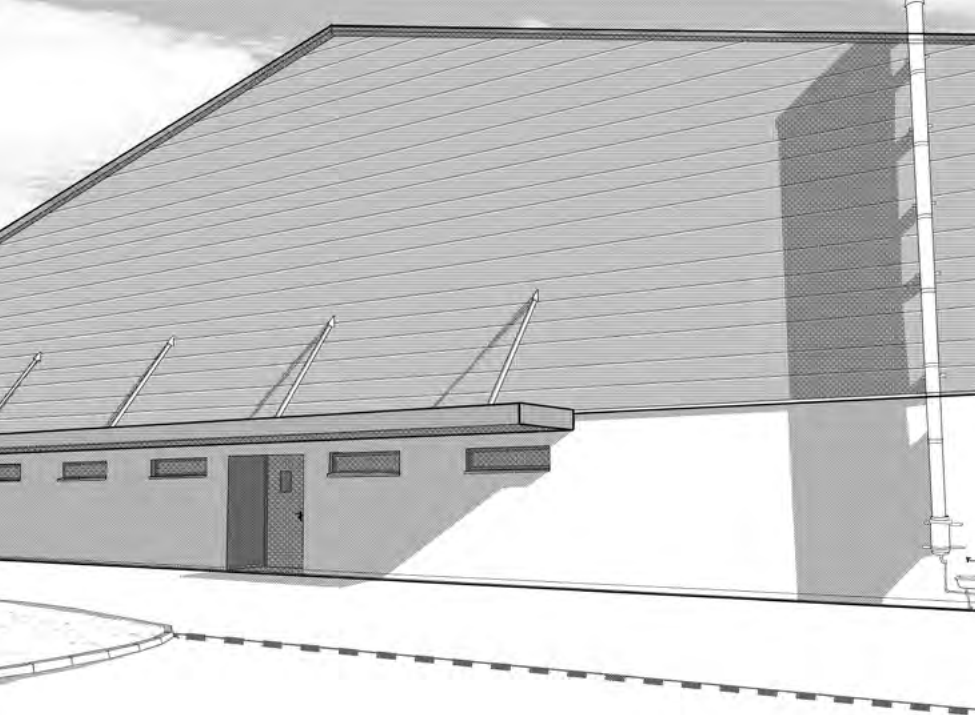
AFTER HAVING HER LEFT LEG AMPUTATED BECAUSE OF A MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT, JULIE RIGALT-CHUPIN TRIED COMPOUND PARA ARCHERY TO COMPLETE HER REHABILITATION. SHE MET THE COACH OF THE FRENCH NATIONAL TEAM AND HE ENCOURAGED HER TO START COMPETING. HER TENACITY PAID OFF : IN 2024, SHE BECAME A FRENCH CHAMPION BY SETTING A NEW RECORD. RANKING 5TH AT THE TOKYO GAMES, SHE IS OBVIOUSLY PREPARING FOR THE PARIS PARALYMPIC GAMES. DESPITE HER DISABILITY, SHE ADMITS BEING VERY HAPPY : "YOU MUST LIVE LIFE TO THE FULLEST."

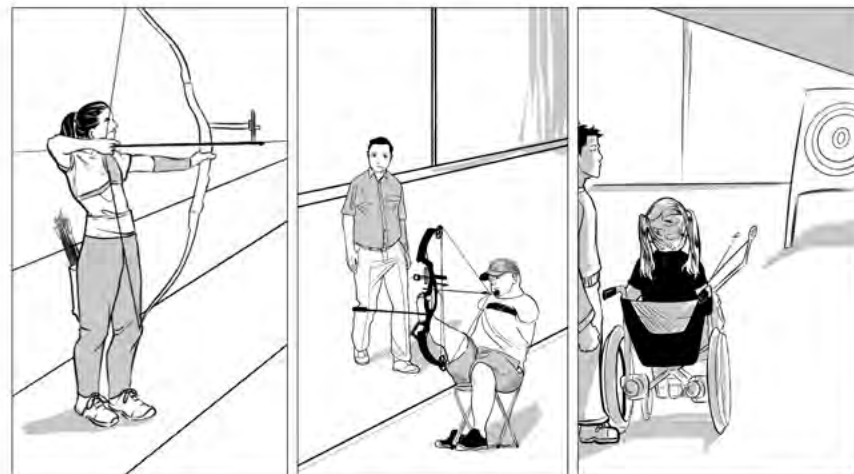
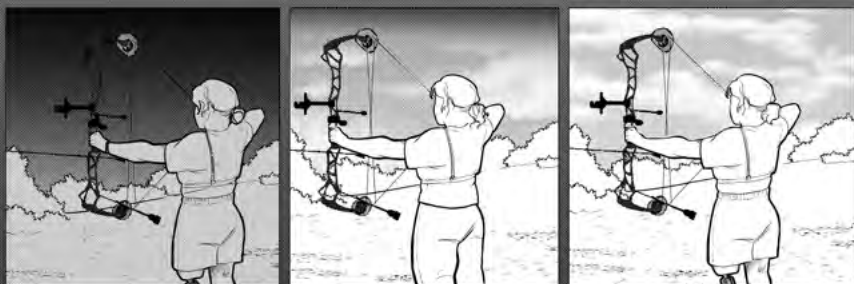
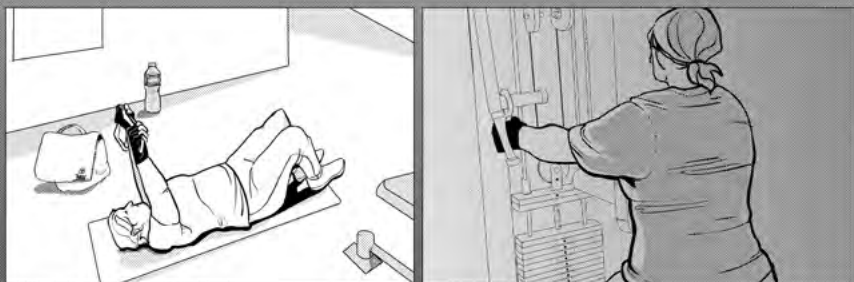
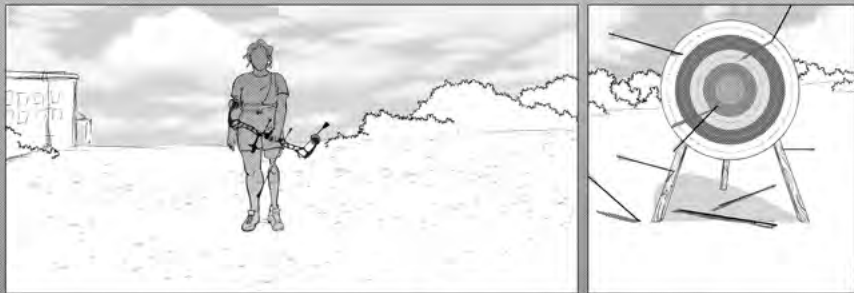


"
**AGAIN
AND AGAIN**
"

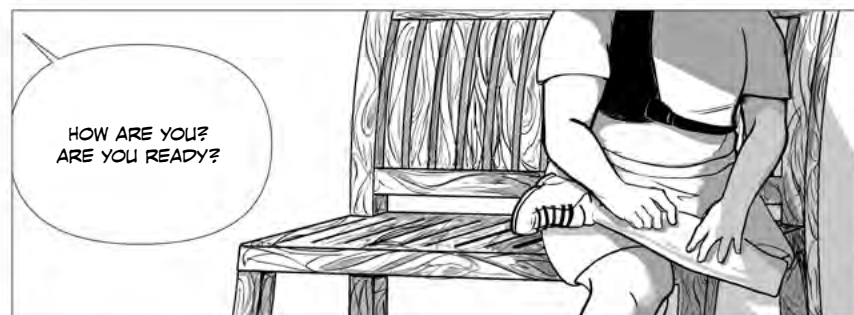
MANGAKA: INA SOFRONIEVA

INA SOFRONIEVA LISTENED TO THE SAME SONG OVER AND OVER AGAIN, FOR HOURS, WHEN ILLUSTRATING THIS STORY. SHE WONDERS IF YOU CAN TELL...

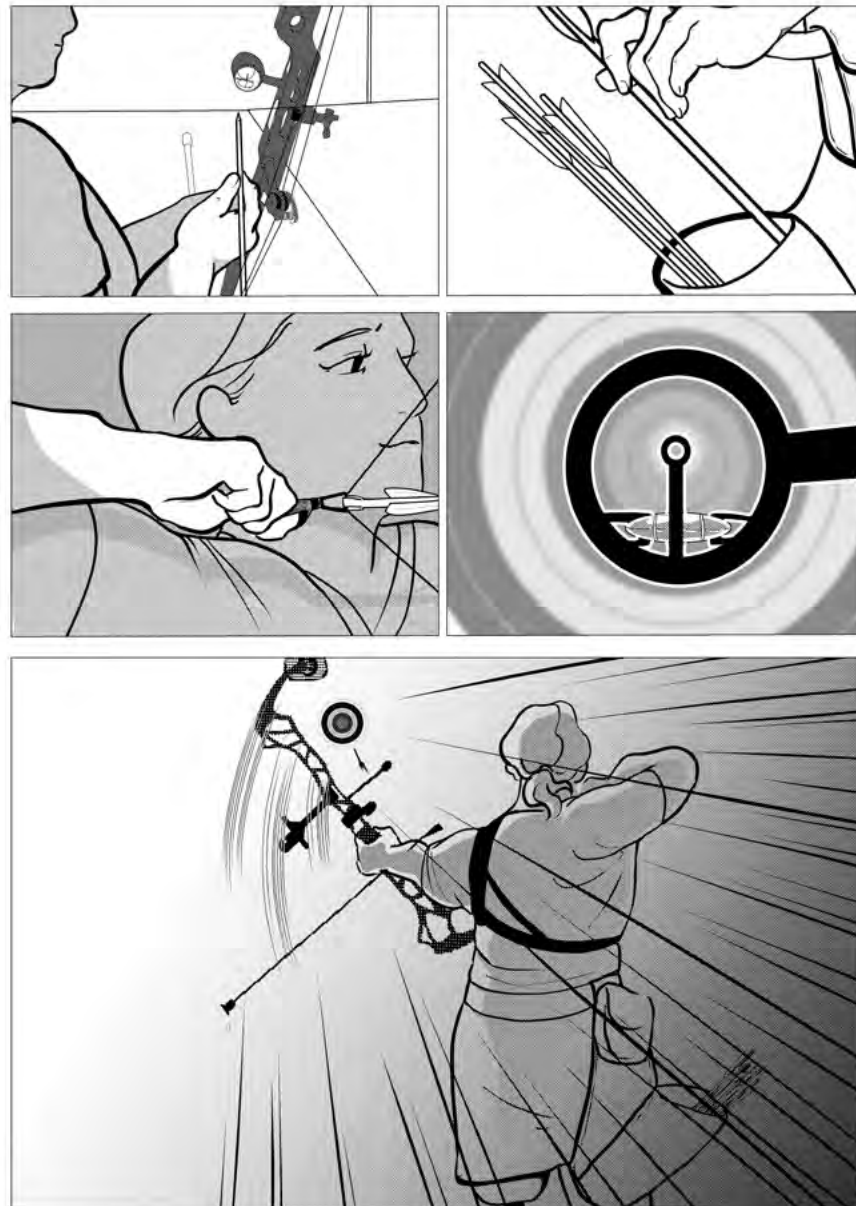
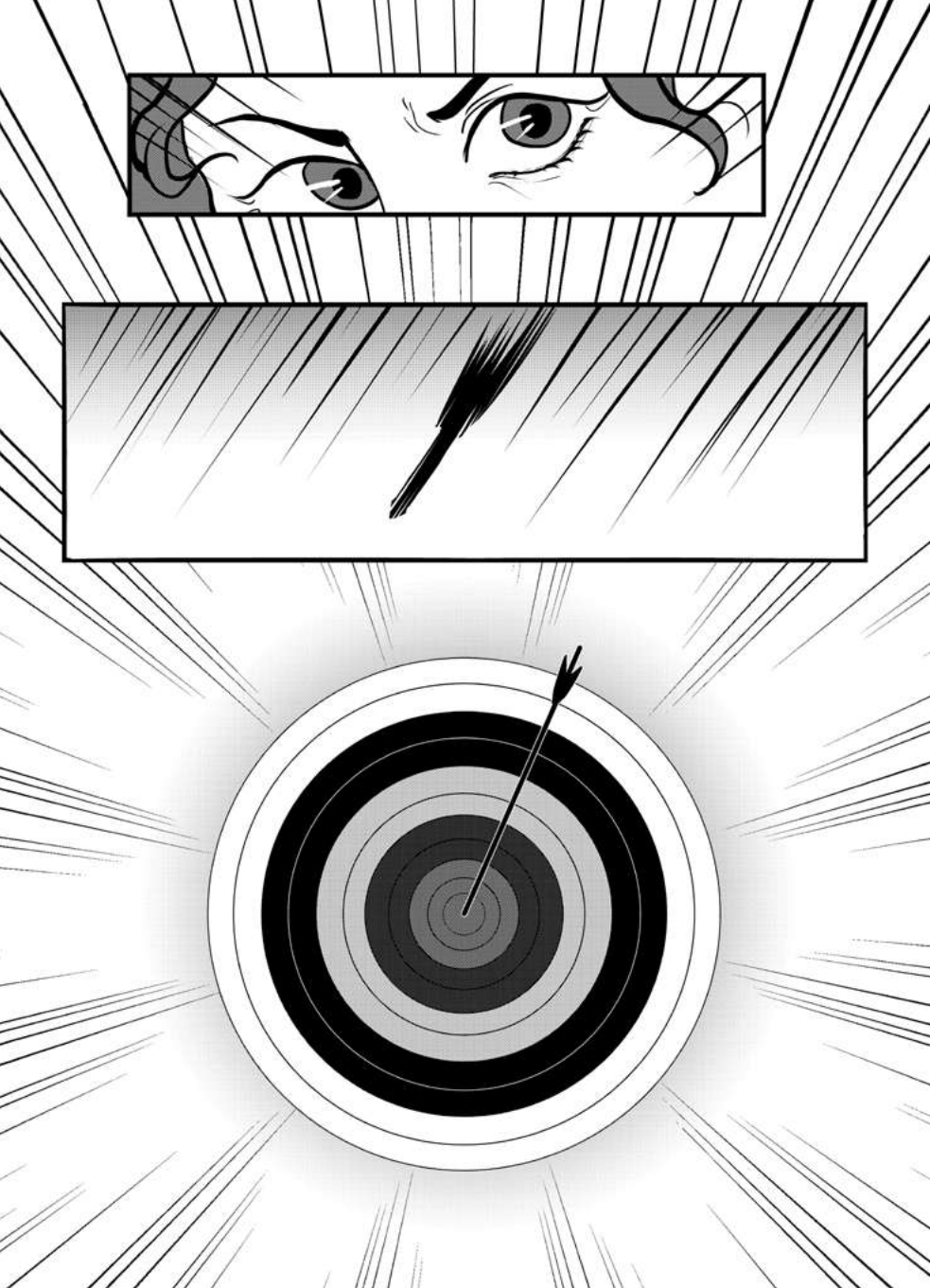




SCORE			
CAT 1	CAT 2	W1	
1. 100%	1. 100%	1. 100%	1. 100%
2. 90%	2. 90%	2. 90%	2. 90%
3. 80%	3. 80%	3. 80%	3. 80%
4. 70%	4. 70%	4. 70%	4. 70%
5. 60%	5. 60%	5. 60%	5. 60%
6. 50%	6. 50%	6. 50%	6. 50%
7. 40%	7. 40%	7. 40%	7. 40%
8. 30%	8. 30%	8. 30%	8. 30%
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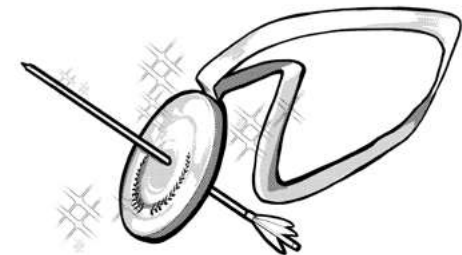
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* The Heart's Target





SHOOTING PARA SPORT

ATHLETE: GAËLLE EDON

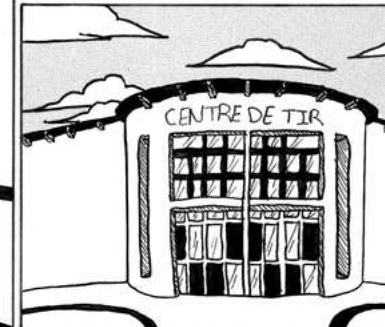
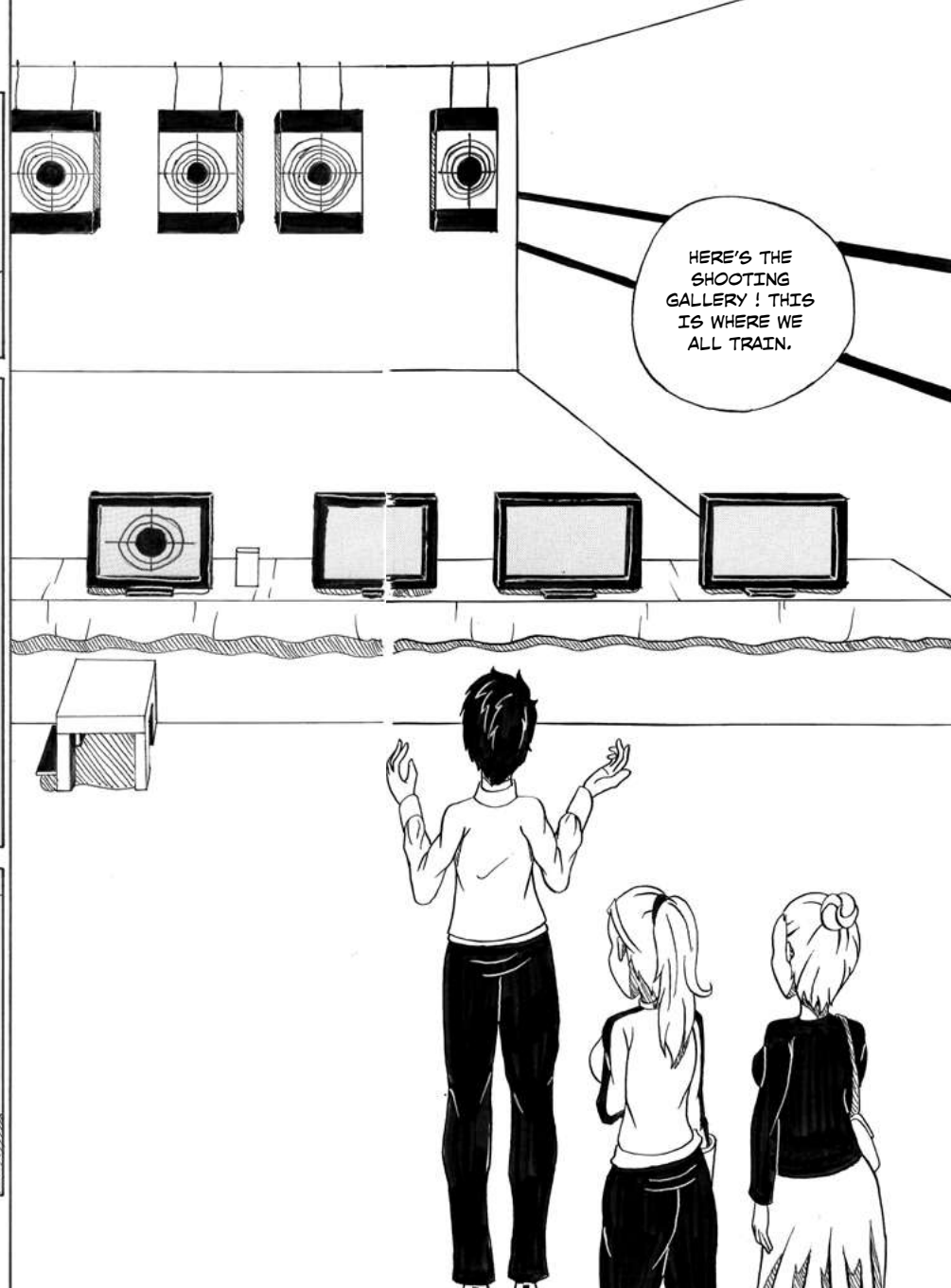
GAËLLE EDON WENT THROUGH A MOUNTAIN ACCIDENT, LEAVING HER HEMIPLEGIC. SHE FIRST TRIED PARA ROWING, BUT IT TURNED OUT BEING INADEQUATE FOR HER DISABILITY. SHE ALSO APPLIED FOR A PATENT WITH HER ASSOCIATION "PELLE TENACE" (2016 INNOVATION AWARD), THEN SHE GAVE SHOOTING PARA SPORT A TRY: "COMPETING IS MY REVENGE, MY FIGHT AGAINST WHAT I SUFFERED IN LIFE... I LET MY COMPETITIVE SIDE SHINE THROUGH, AND I LOVE THIS SELF-TRANSCENDENCE THAT ENABLES ME TO OVERCOME OBSTACLES." THIS INSPIRING FIGURE IS A MULTIPLE TIME FRENCH CHAMPION, AND NOW THE VICE WORLD CHAMPION!

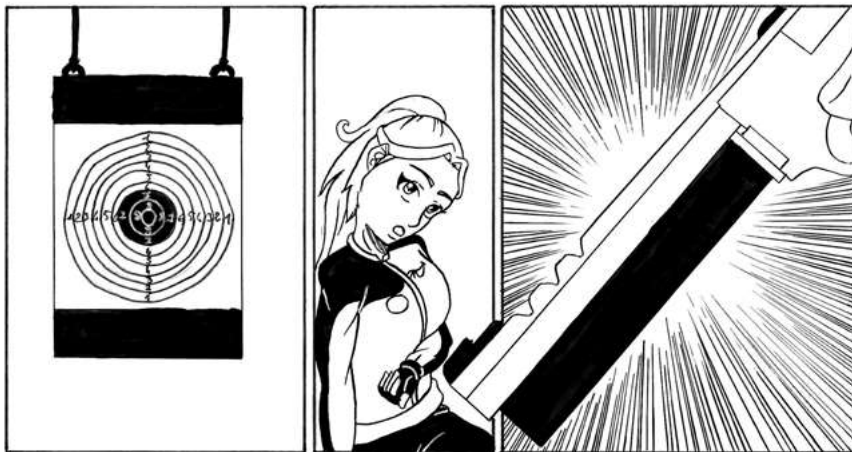


"
**ALWAYS GO
FURTHER, ALWAYS
GO HIGHER**
"

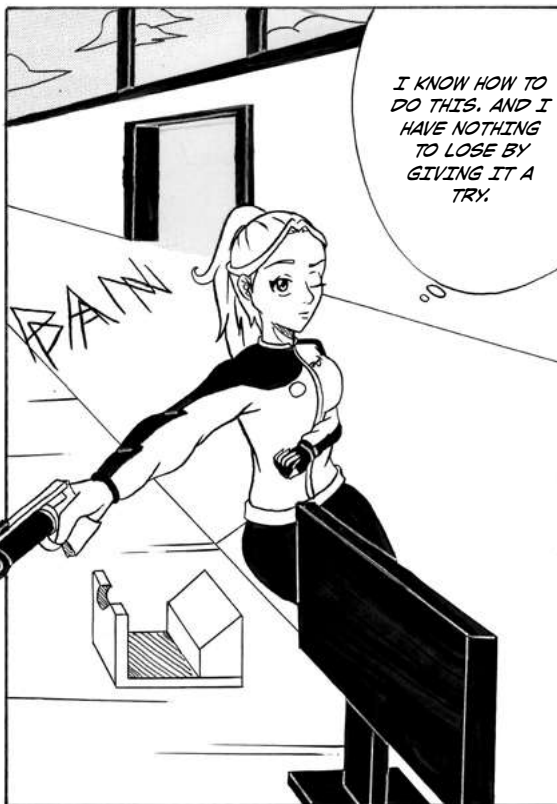
MANGAKA: ARLURIA

ARLURIA IS A 27-YEAR-OLD MANGAKA. SHE DECIDED TO BECOME A MANGAKA TO SPREAD MESSAGES OF HOPE, JUST AS THE WORKS SHE GREW UP WITH DID FOR HER.





DON'T BE
SHY!
YOU HAVE
NOTHING
TO LOSE BY
TRYING



I KNOW HOW TO
DO THIS, AND I
HAVE NOTHING
TO LOSE BY
GIVING IT A
TRY.

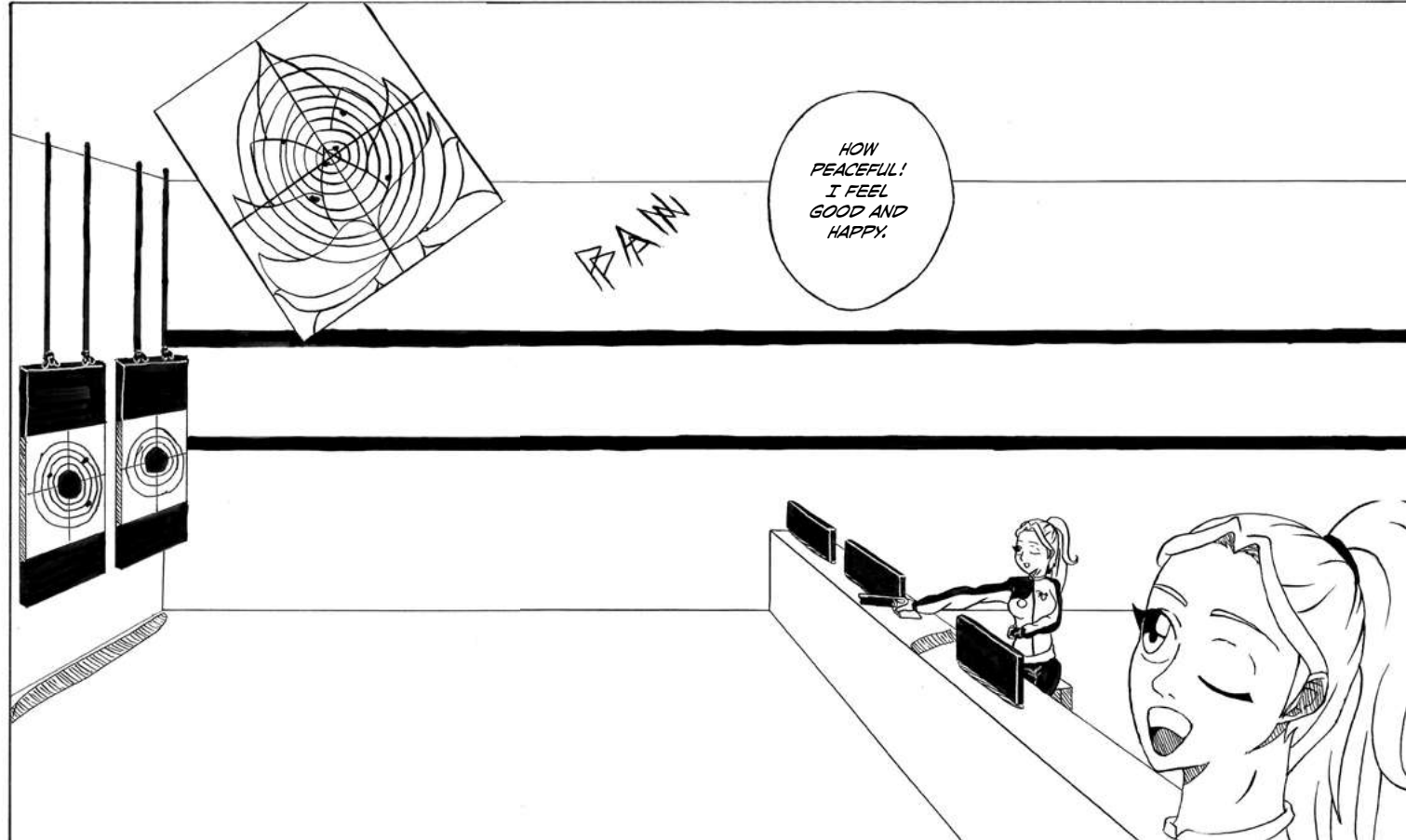
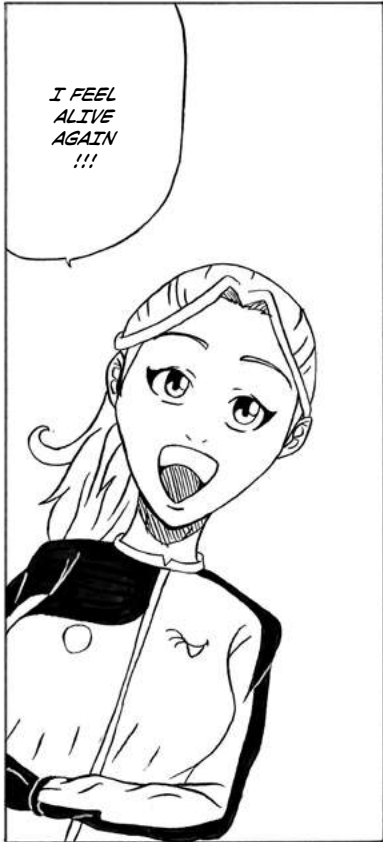
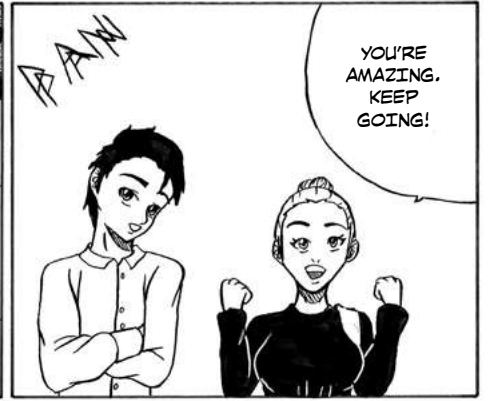
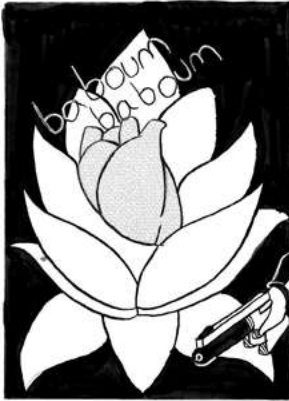
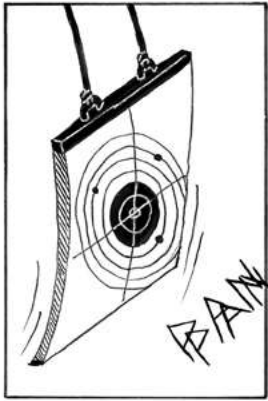


RELAX,
IT'LL
BE
FINE.



GO FOR
IT! IT
WILL DO
YOU GOOD.





LOIRE LORIQUEET



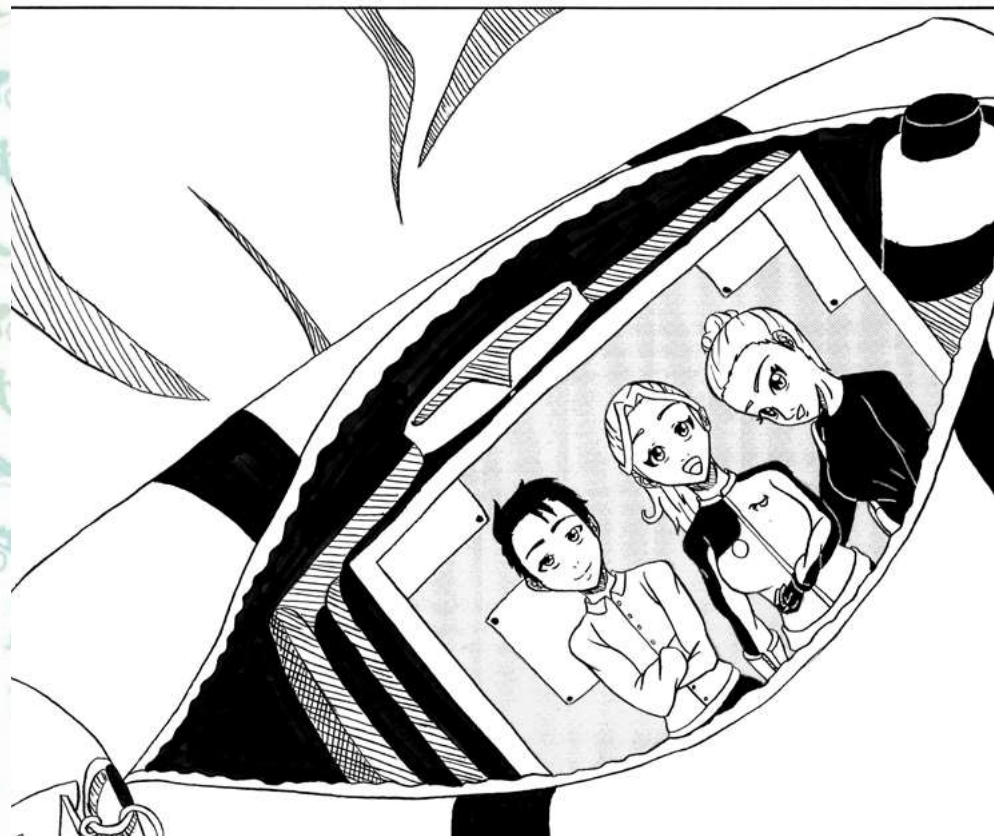
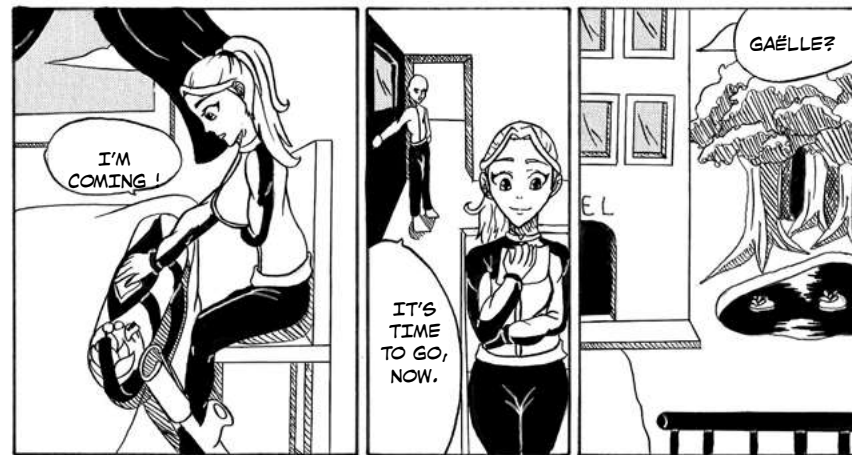
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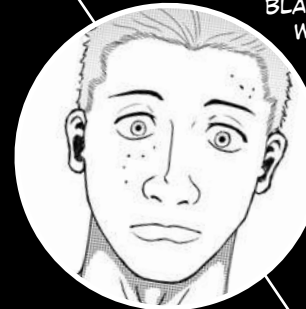


PARA TRIATHLON

ATHLETE: PIERRE-ANTOINE BAELE

BORN WITH AGENESIS OF THE LEFT FOOT, PIERRE-ANTOINE BAELE STARTED PRACTICING JUDO, WHICH HELPED HIM CHANNEL HIS ANGER AND TEARS AND TO "FULLY ACCEPT HIMSELF." HE THEN TURNED TO PARA TRIATHLON. BECAME THE FRENCH CHAMPION IN 2019 AND THE VICE-WORLD CHAMPION IN 2023. "WHEN I WORE A

BLADE, THE FEELING OF LIGHTNESS WAS INDESCRIBABLE, I FELT LIKE I WAS FLYING, AND IT'S A JOY THAT CHANGED MY LIFE." HE ALSO BECAME AN AMBASSADOR FOR THE "LAMES DE JOIE" ASSOCIATION TO ALSO HELP CHILDREN.



"

**SUCCESS DOES
NOT CARE ABOUT
APPEARANCES**

"

MANGAKA: GAMEZAT

GAMEZAT IS 23 YEARS OLD AND HAS BEEN DRAWING FOR FIVE YEARS. HE HOPES YOU WILL ENJOY THIS STORY.

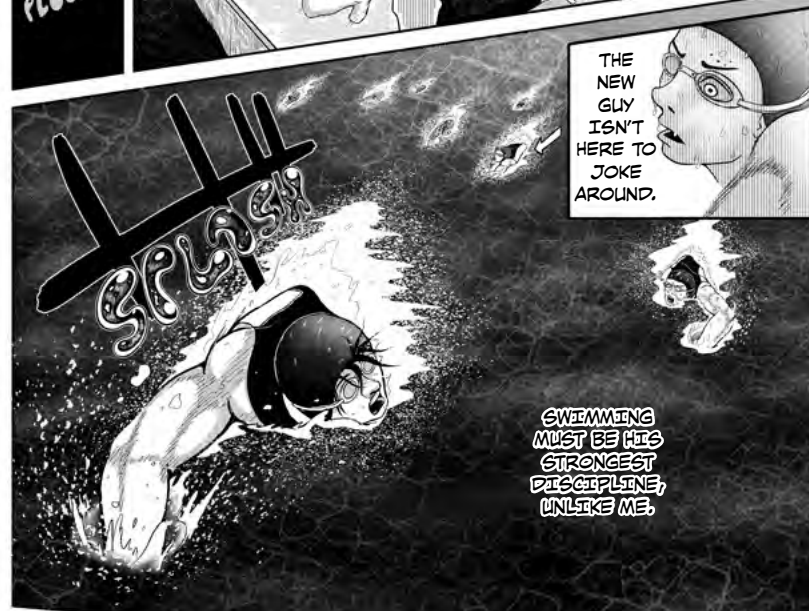
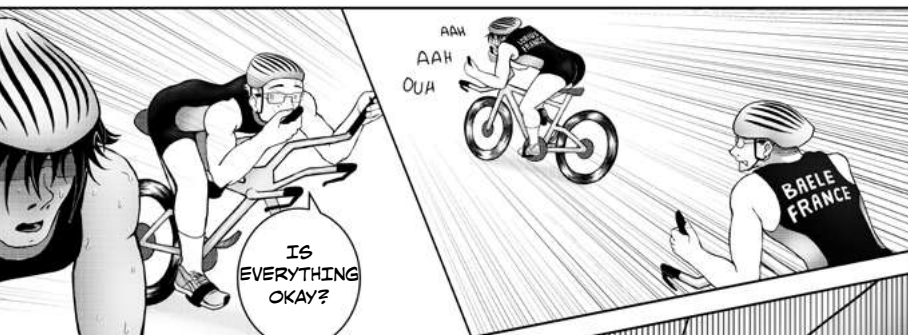
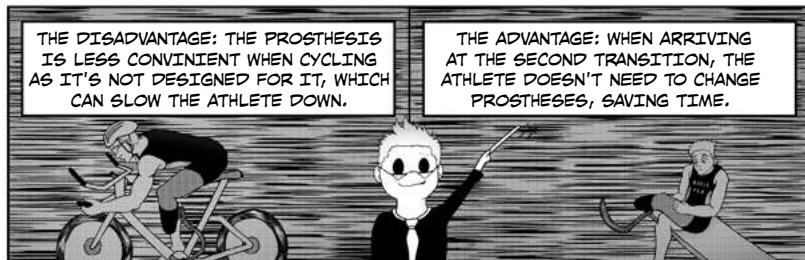
YOU CAN FIND HIM ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

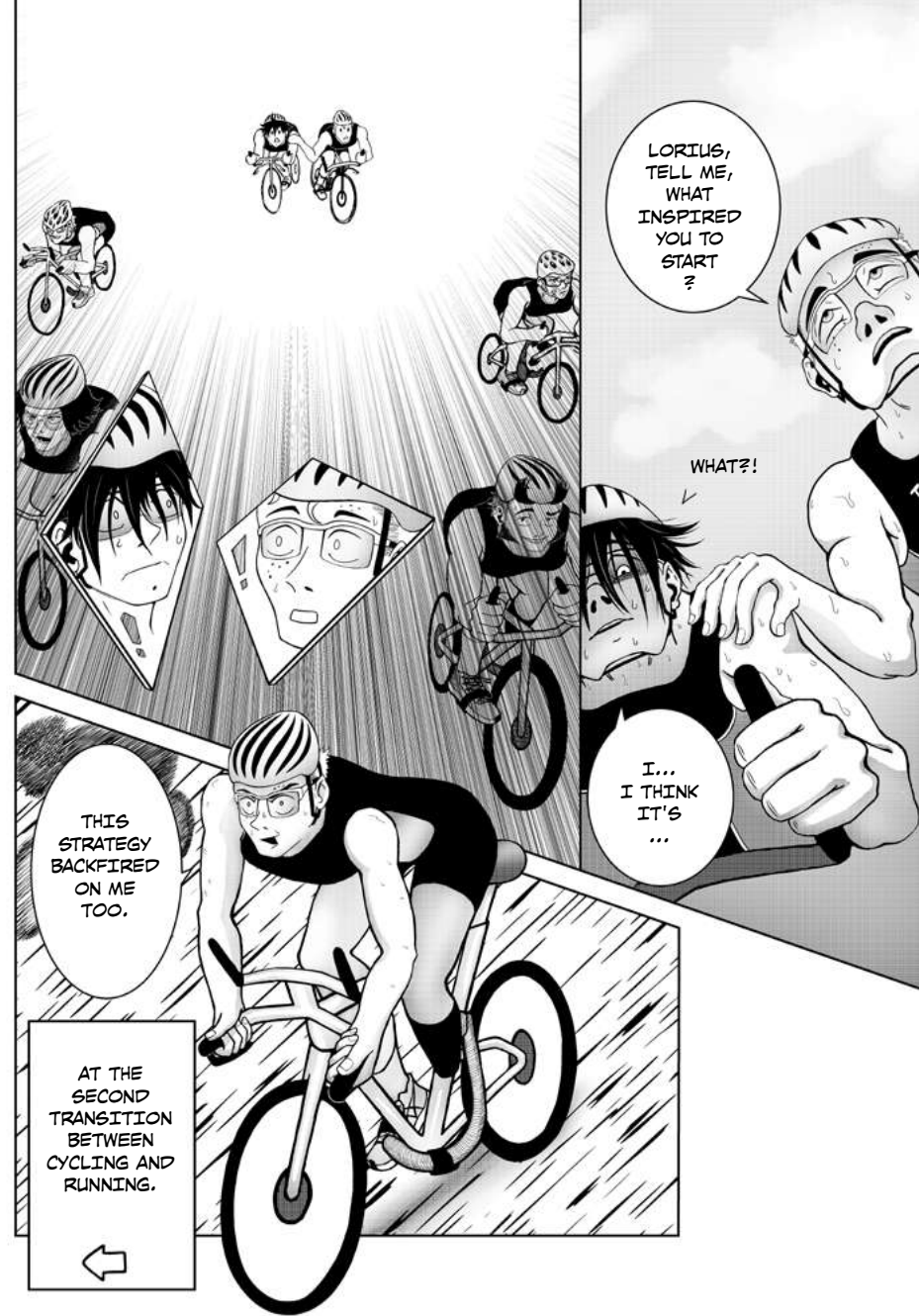


SO YOU'RE
"LORIUS", THE
NEW ONE.
I'M PIERRE-
ANTOINE. NICE
TO MEET YOU.

HERE,
EVERYONE
KNOWS
WHO YOU
ARE, SO
STOP
YOUR
PRE-
TENSES.

EVEN THOUGH WE REPRESENT
THE SAME COUNTRY, TODAY,
I AM YOUR OPPONENT.







SO,
KEEP
FIGHTING!



IT'S
BECAUSE OF
YOUR ENCOURAGING
MESSAGES AND YOUR
DETERMINATION
OVER THE YEARS
THAT ...

I NOW ACCEPT
WHO I AM.



NO MATTER
HOW YOU LOOK,
EVERYONE HAS
THE RIGHT TO
FIGHT FOR
THEIR BELIEFS
AND WHAT THEY
CARE ABOUT.
LET'S NOT
LIVE IN THE
SHADOW OF
OUR REGRETS
BECAUSE
...



WHEN YOU SEE
A BIRD CALLED
THE "LORIKEET,"
THEY SAY YOU
SHOULD FOLLOW
YOUR DESIRES
INSTEAD OF
WAITING FOR
THEM TO COME TO
YOU. I HOPE FOR
YOU, LORIUS,
THAT YOU
WILL BECOME
SOMEONE'S
LORIKEET
...

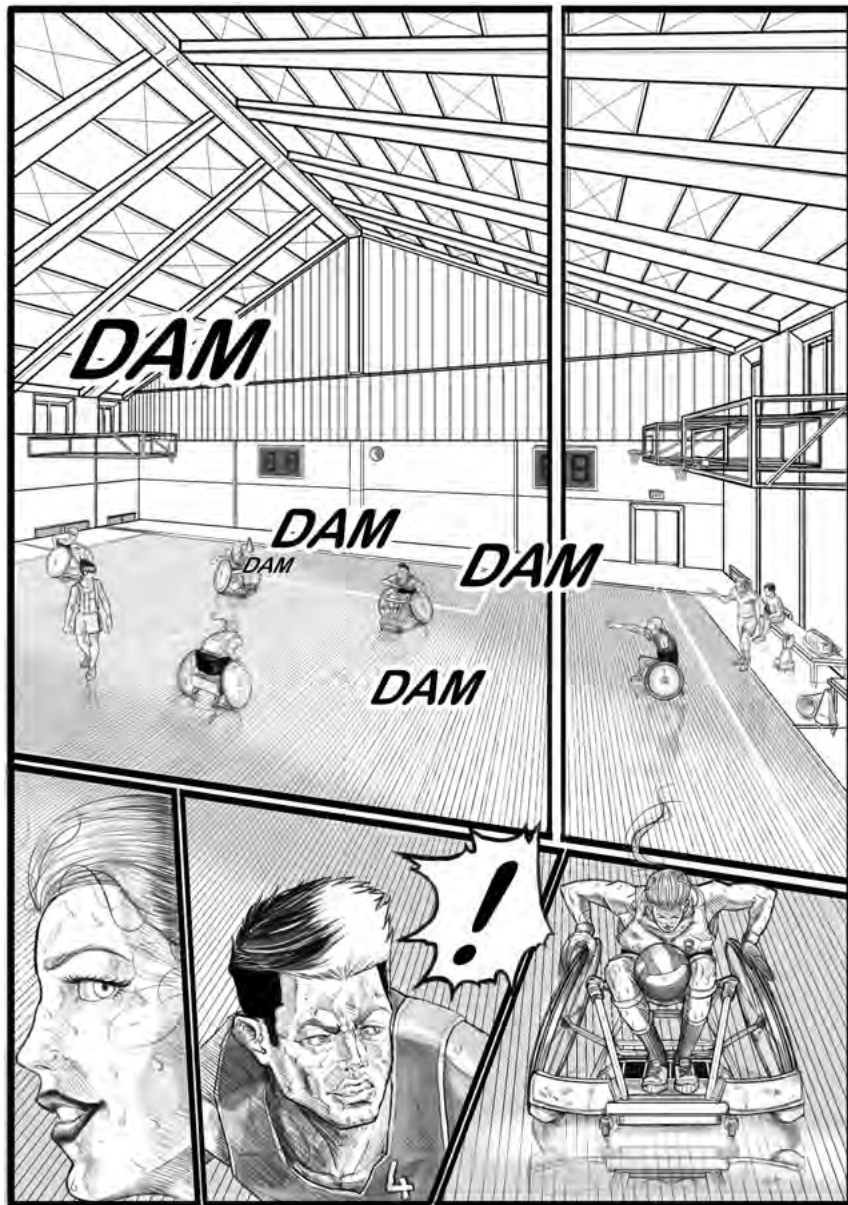


MurderBall

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WHEELCHAIR RUGBY

ATHLETE: CÉDRIC NANKIN

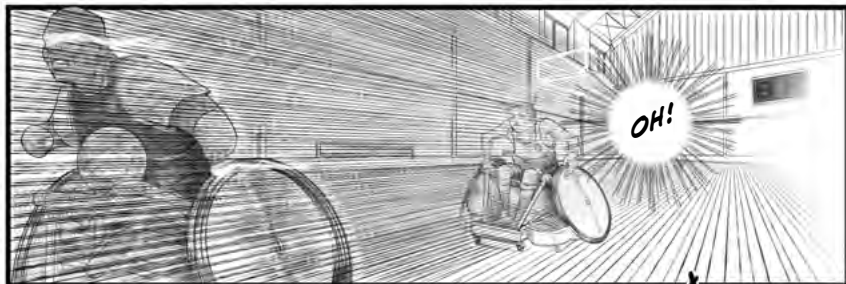
BORN WITH CONGENITAL LIMB DEFICIENCY, CÉDRIC NANKIN OWES HIS VOCATION TO RYADH SALLEM, NOW HIS TEAMMATE ON THE FRENCH WHEELCHAIR RUGBY TEAM. NICKNAMED "THE MACHINE" FOR HIS FEARLESS PERFORMANCE ON THE FIELD, THIS "MURDERBALL" ENTHUSIAST HELPED HIS TEAM RETAIN THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE IN 2023.



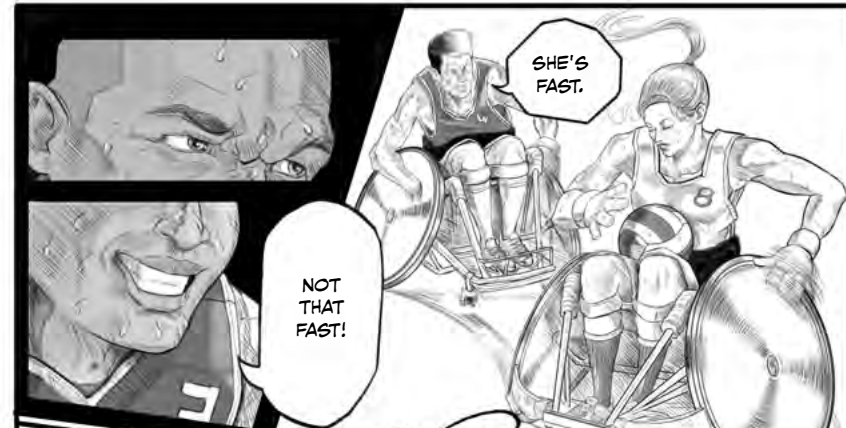
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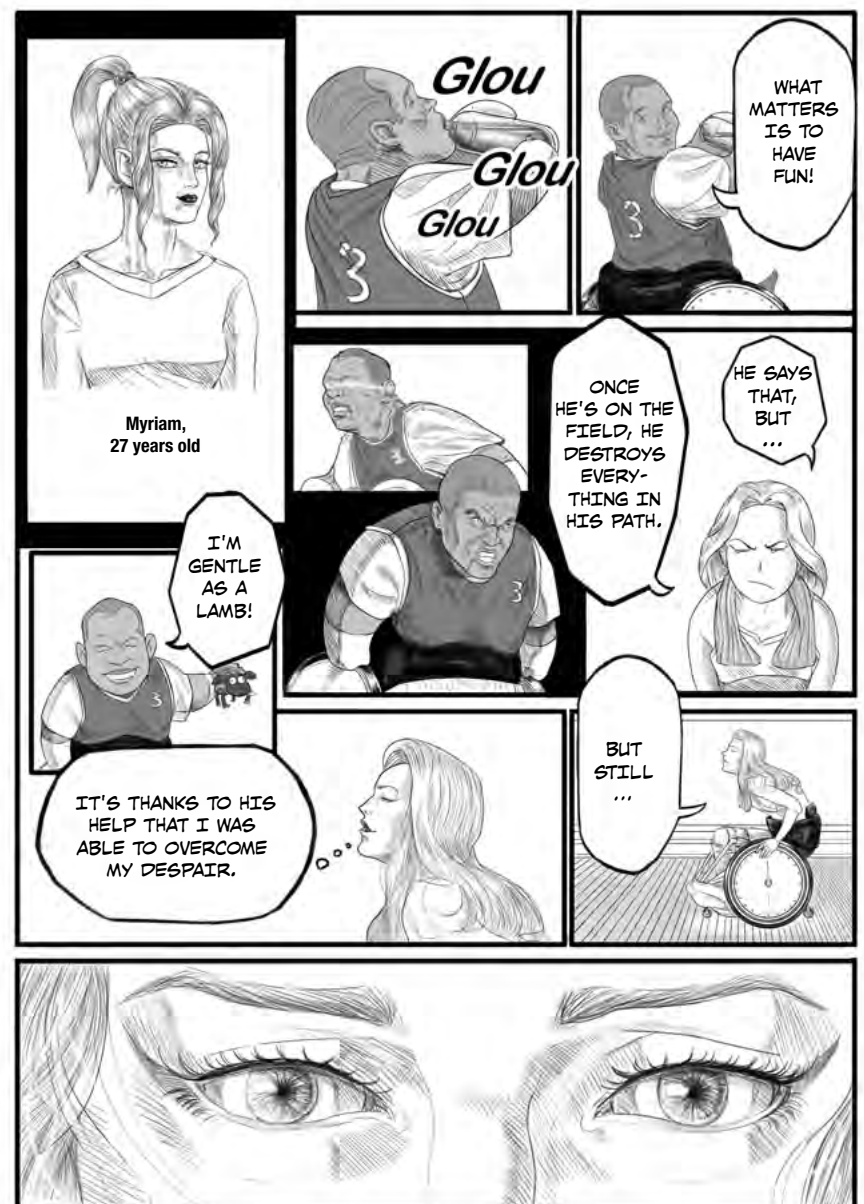
MANGAKA: JEBALI IHEB

IHEB JEBALI, OF TUNISIAN NATIONALITY, GRADUATED IN INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE. HIS LOVE FOR MANGA AND ANIMATION LED HIM TO LEAVE HIS COUNTRY FOR FRANCE, WHERE HE STUDIED DIGITAL ARTS WITH A SPECIALIZATION IN 2D ANIMATION. TODAY, HE IS A FREELANCE ARTIST WORKING ON A MANGA ONE-SHOT.



Cédric NANKIN,
aka "The Machine",
paralympic athlete,
39 years old

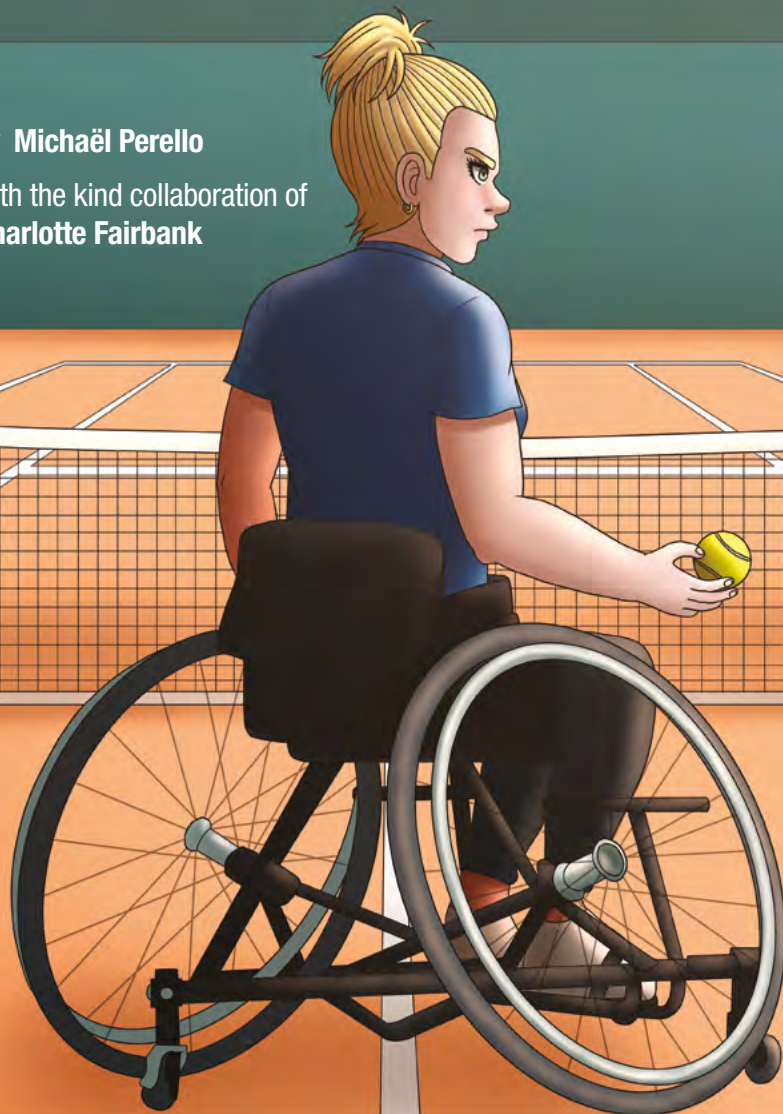


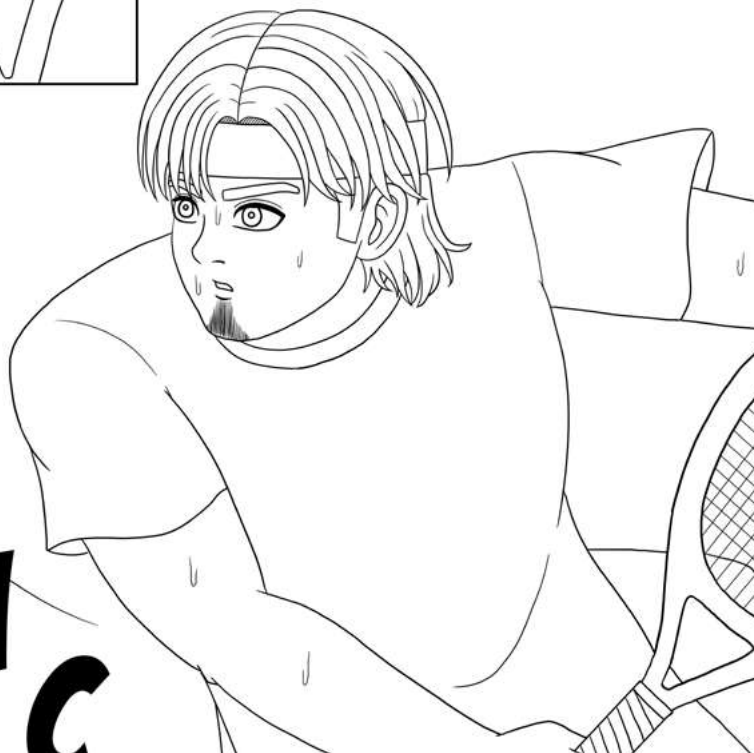
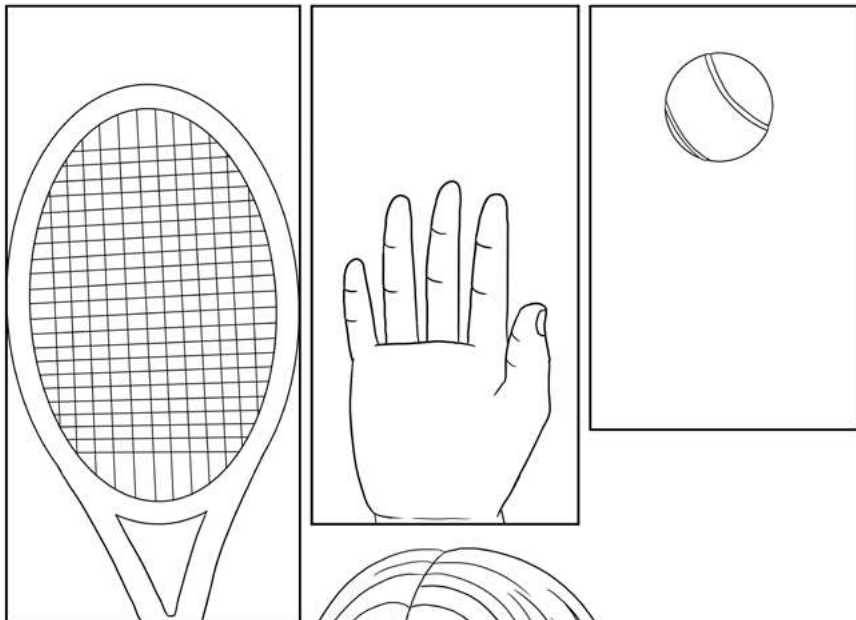


WINNING BACKHAND

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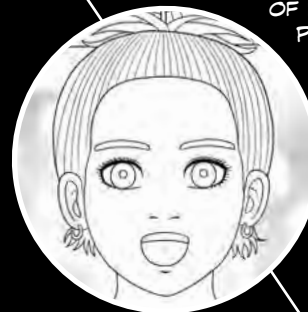


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WHEELCHAIR TENNIS

ATHLETE: CHARLOTTE FAIRBANK

AFTER BECOMING PARAPLEGIC, CHARLOTTE FAIRBANK SLOWLY LEARNED TO ACCEPT HERSELF. "IF I HAD A MESSAGE FOR ALL PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE HESITANT TO TRY A SPORT, IT WOULD BE TO JUST GO FOR IT. IT CHANGED MY LIFE, AND IT COULD CHANGE YOURS." SHE WON HER FIRST TOURNAMENT IN ITALY AND WAS SELECTED FOR THE TOKYO GAMES. THIS PARA TENNIS ATHLETE, WHO HAS BOUNCED BACK, SPEAKS OF HER "DESIRE TO CHANGE THE WAY PEOPLE SEE DISABILITY AND TO HIGHLIGHT PARALYMPIC SPORTS."

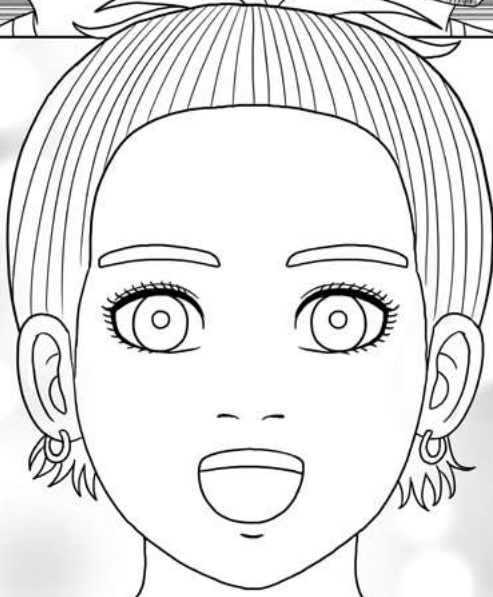
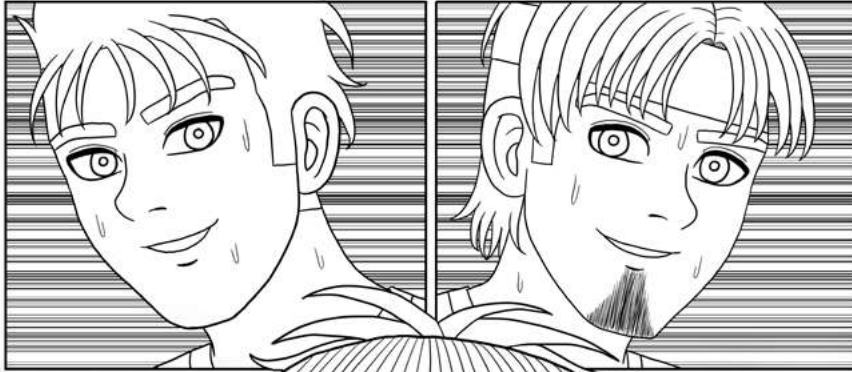


**"
OVERCOMING
DISABILITY
THROUGH SPORT
"**

MANGAKA: MICHAËL PERELLO

MICHAËL PERELLO, ALSO KNOWN AS MICAMI, HAS LOVED DRAWING COMICS SINCE HE WAS A CHILD. HE NEVER GAVE UP ON THIS PASSION AND IS PARTICULARLY KNOWN FOR THE MANGA "PRINCE DÉCHU."

TCHAC

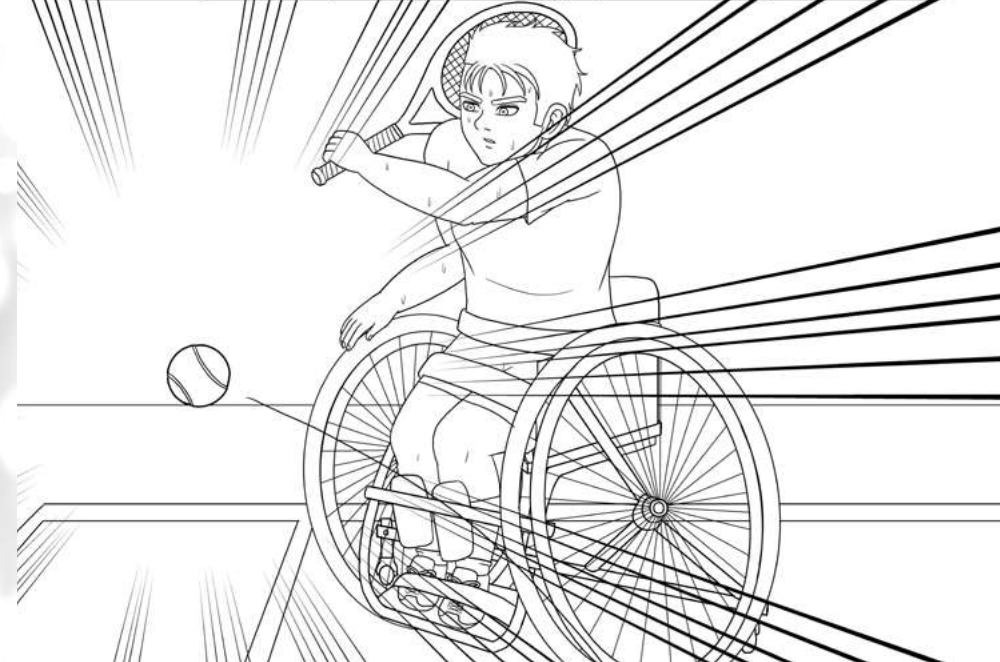


THAT'S
WHAT I
WANT
TO DO
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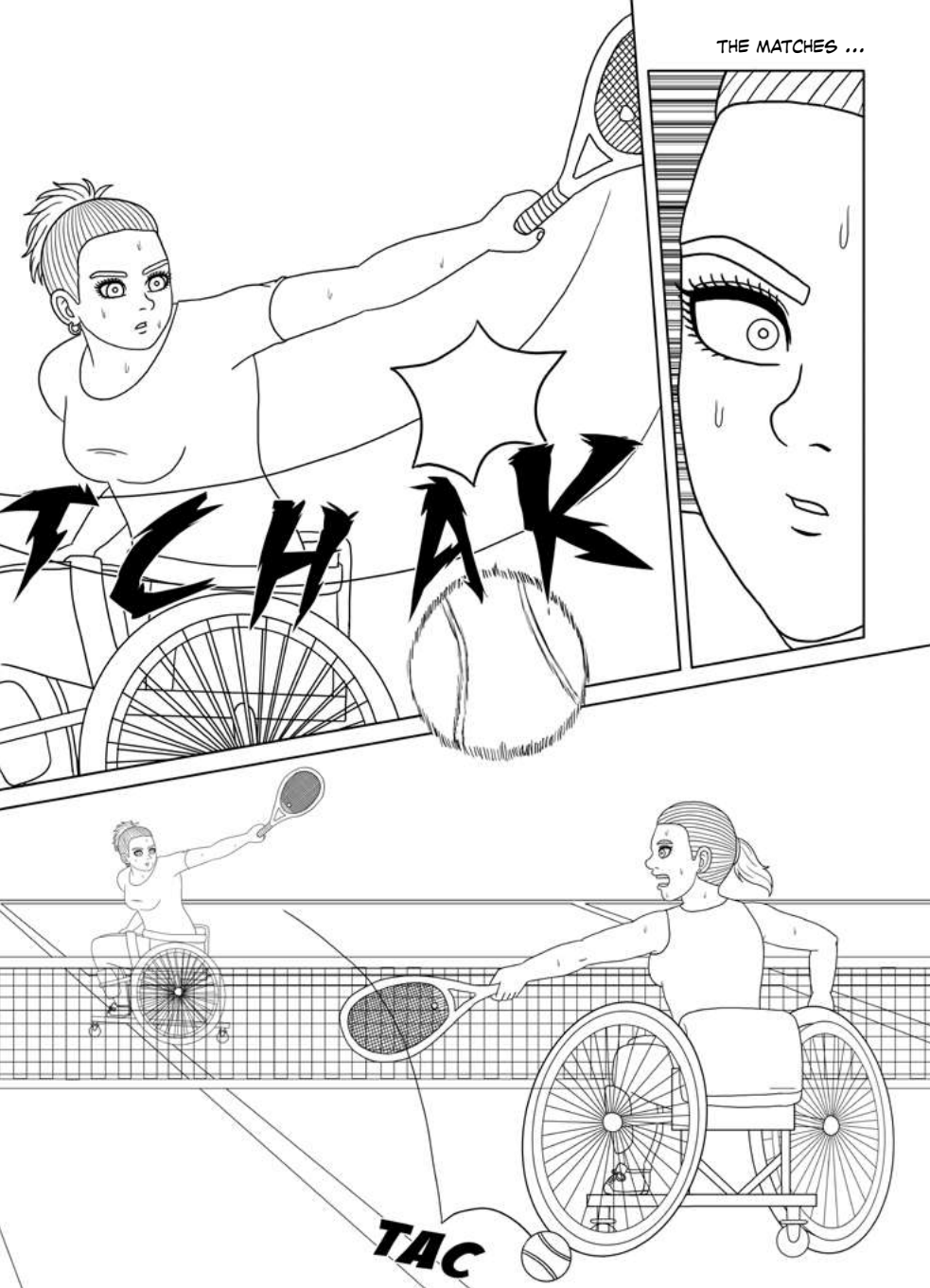
BUILDING A CAREER IN THIS SPORT ...



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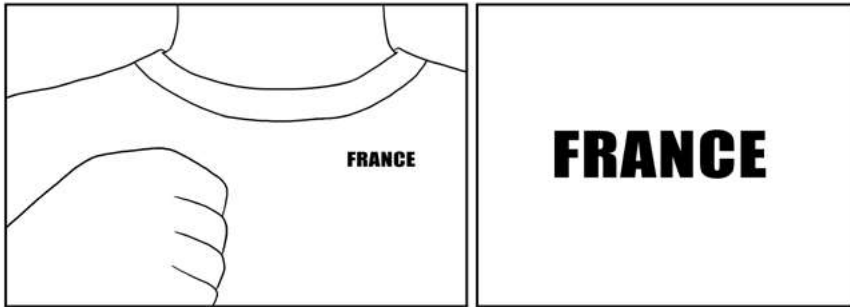
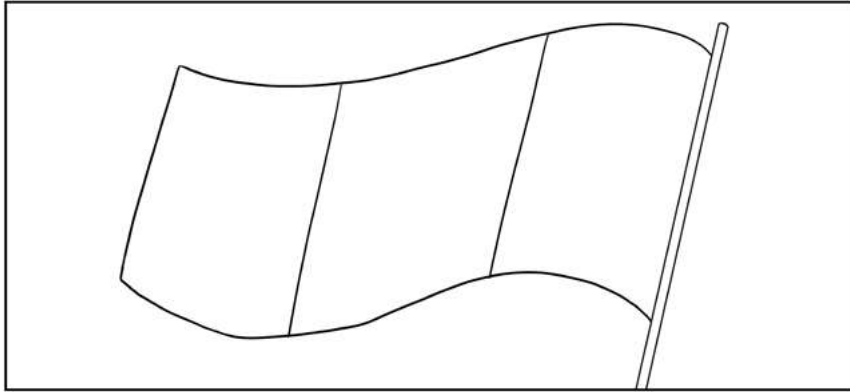
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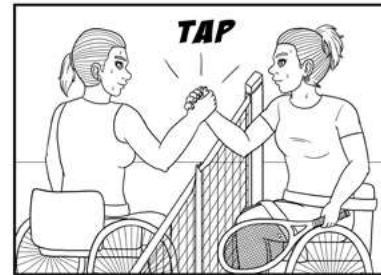
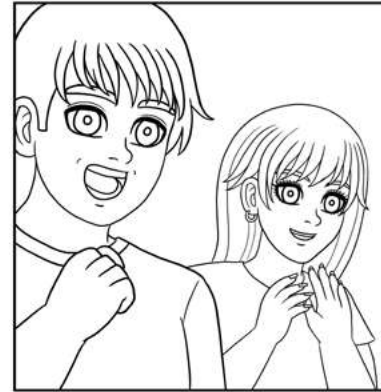
THE TRAINING SESSIONS ...



TO REACH ...



THE VICTORIES ...

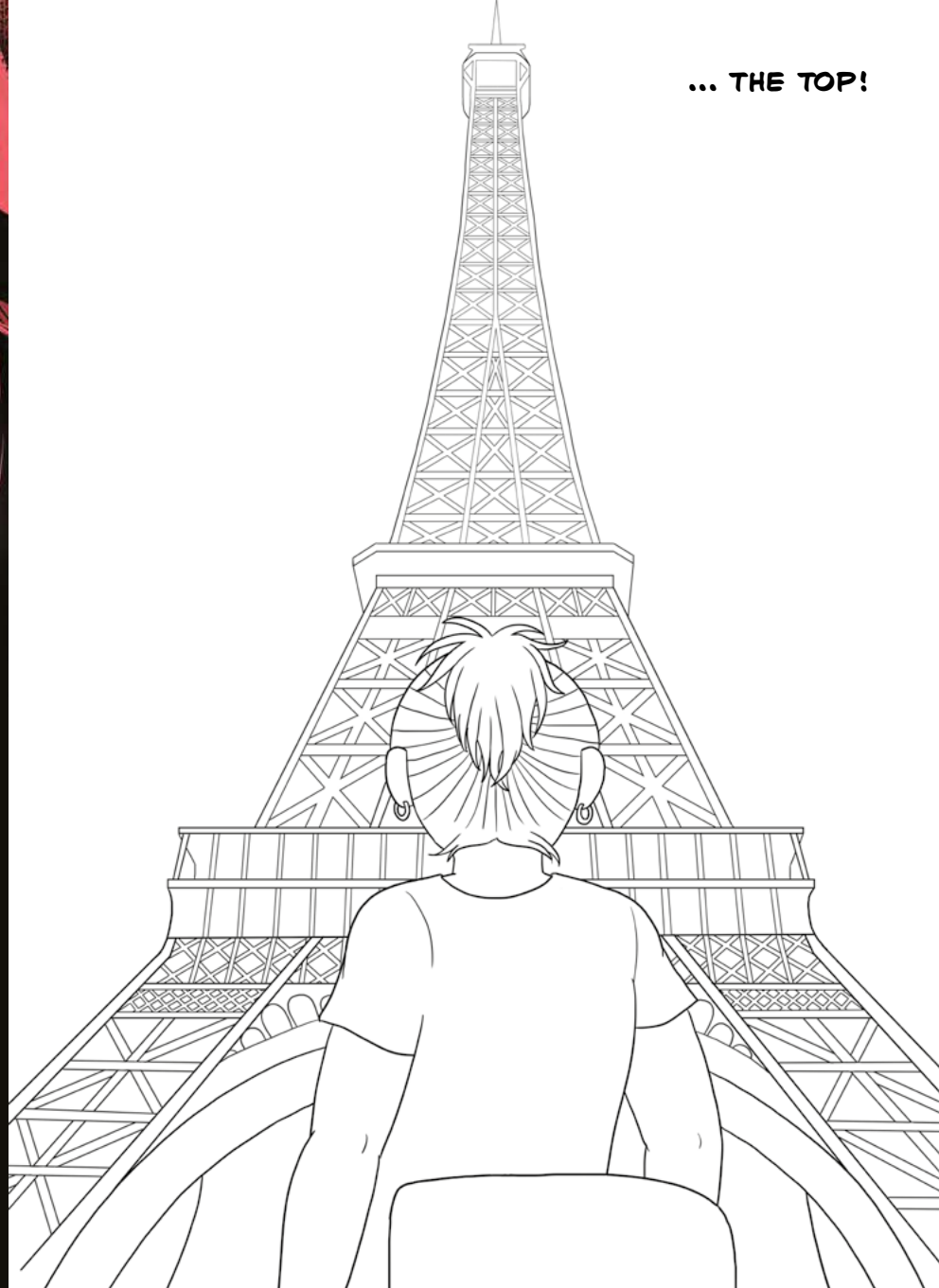


by Jidoux

with the kind collaboration of
Samou Soumaoro



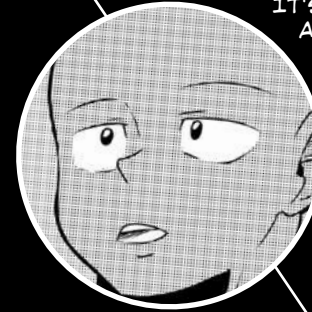
... THE TOP!



SITTING VOLLEYBALL

ATHLETE: SAMOU SOUMAORO

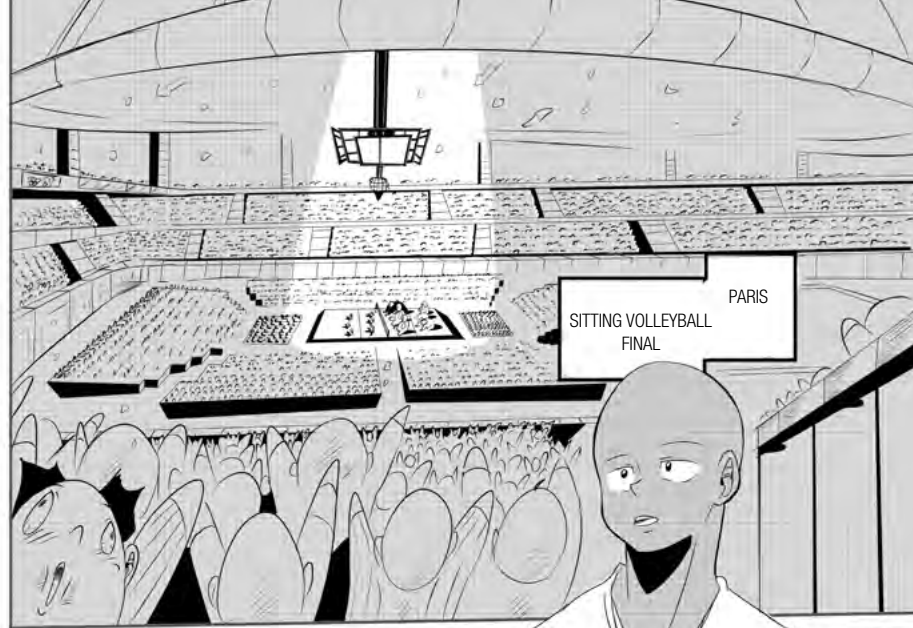
AFTER LOSING BOTH LEGS FOLLOWING A TRAIN ACCIDENT, SAMOU SOUMAORO, A SITTING VOLLEYBALL'S RISING STAR, WANTS TO SPREAD A MESSAGE OF TOLERANCE. "IT'S CRUCIAL TO RAISE CHILDREN'S AWARENESS ABOUT DISABILITY FROM AN EARLY AGE, WHATEVER THE NATURE OF IT." "THE MAJORITY OF DISABLED PEOPLE HAVE INVISIBLE DISABILITIES (...) IT'S IMPORTANT TO BE AWARE, TO REMEMBER THAT WE ARE ALL DIFFERENT. (...) IT'S IMPORTANT TO BE KIND, TOLERANT, AND TO TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER."

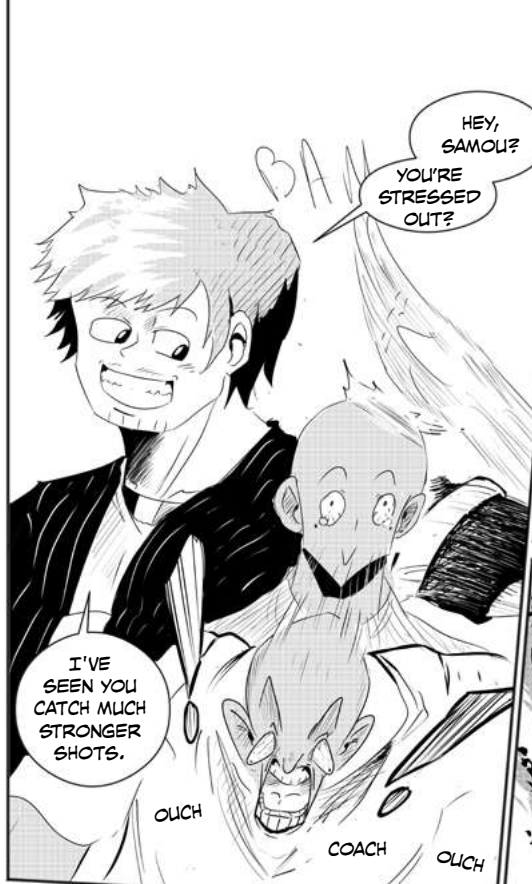


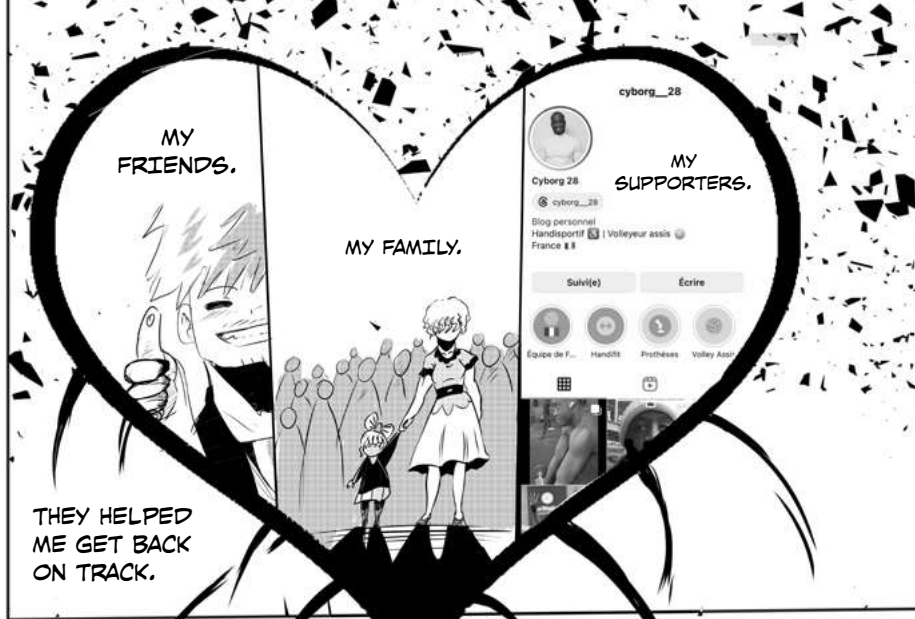
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*THE IMPORTANT
THING IS TO
MOVE FORWARD*
"

MANGAKA: JIDOUX

FOR SEVERAL YEARS, JIDOUX HAS BEEN TELLING STORIES THROUGH MANGA. HIS FAVORITE MANGA IS GINTAMA. HE HOPES YOU ENJOY READING THIS STORY.







THEY HELPED
ME GET BACK
ON TRACK.



THEY ARE
THE LEGS I NO
LONGER HAVE
...

AND THEY
GIVE ME THE
STRENGTH TO
REACH THE TOP.



LESS
CONTACT
WITH THE
GROUND.

THAT MEANS
LESS STABILITY.
WHICH MAKES EACH
OF MY MOVEMENTS
LESS EFFECTIVE.



IT'S TRUE.
LOSING BOTH
MY LEGS IS
A SERIOUS
HANDICAP.



AND YET
...
I'M HERE.
TODAY.
THANKS TO
THEIR SUPPORT.



NO MATTER
WHO WE ARE
...

ON THE FIELD,
WE'RE ALL
PERFORMANCE
MONSTERS.



THERE
ARE...

BUT BEYOND
THAT...



THEN I'LL
BELIEVE
IN THEIR
SUPPORT.

IF I
CAN'T
BELIEVE
IN MYSELF
ANYMORE
...



SKILL AND
CONTROL.



FOCUS AND
DETERMINATION.



RIGHT NOW,
I'M BECOMING
A MONSTER
...

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS
ACCOMPANIED ME ON MY JOURNEY.

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MAKE PROUD. TO MY PAULINE AND OUR
JADE, WHOM I LOVE WITH ALL MY HEART.

- SAMOU SOUMAORO



About the Paralympic Games

The Paralympic Games are a major sporting event with origins in promoting sports for people with disabilities. The story began in 1948 when Sir Ludwig Guttmann, a British neurologist, organized the first games for World War II veterans with spinal cord injuries. These competitions, known as the Stoke Mandeville Games, were held alongside the Olympic Games and marked the start of a new era in sport.

The first official Paralympic Games took place in Rome in 1960, featuring 400 athletes from 23 countries. Though modest compared to the Olympics, these Games were a resounding success and laid the foundation for a global movement. Since then, the Paralympic Games have been held every four years, immediately following the Olympic Games, in the same cities and using the same sports facilities.

The inclusion of the Paralympic Games in major sporting events has helped change perceptions and promote equality and inclusivity. Today, Paralympic athletes are recognized not only for their exceptional abilities but also for their resilience and determination. Each edition of the Paralympic Games attracts millions of spectators worldwide, demonstrating that sport is a universal language that transcends physical differences.

Over the decades, the Paralympic Games have evolved to include a wide range of sports and disability categories, allowing more athletes to compete. Disciplines such as athletics, swimming, wheelchair basketball, and wheelchair rugby have become staples.

The 2024 Paralympic Games, to be held in Paris, promise to be another significant milestone in this rich and inspiring history, showcasing remarkable performances and continuing to raise public awareness about the importance of sport for everyone.

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