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Cats I've Known

On Love, Loss, and Being Graciously Ignored

by Katie Haegele

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From deep friendships to brief encounters, this is the story of the cats in Katie Haegele’s life, or rather the story of her life in relation to the many cats (44, to be exact) she meets on Philadelphia’s streets, in alleys, in homes, and in bookstores. Through Haegele’s sharp, wise, and at times hilarious gaze, we see cats for what they truly are: minor deities that mostly ignore the human foibles being played out around them. They accept our offerings with equanimity and occasionally bestow some nice thing on us. Haegele, author of *White Elephants* and *Slip of the Tongue*, has a unique and compelling sensibility, and it’s a treat to see the world through her eyes as she shows us all the meanness, weirdness, and vulnerability of humans, against an ever-shifting backdrop of the cats we often take for granted, and who ignore us all democratically in return.

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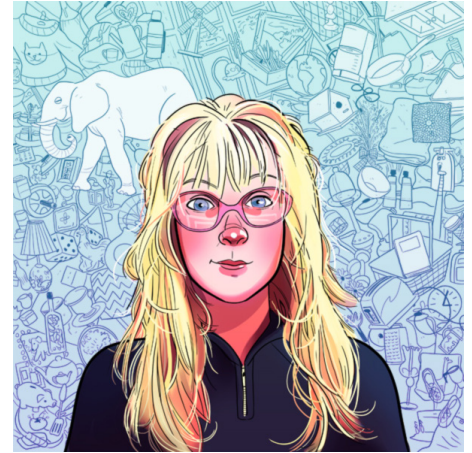
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Marketing Notes

1. Katie Haegele is a journalist and book reviewer in Philadelphia
2. In 2007, the National Pet Owner’s Survey concluded that at least 88.3 million cats were pets

Comparative Titles

- *Dog Medicine: How My Dog Saved Me from Myself* Julie Barton 9780143130017 (Penguin Books) \$17.00, July 2016
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- *James Herriot’s Cat Stories* James Herriot 9781250061850 (St. Martin’s Press) \$18.99, 2015



Katie Haegele is a writer, zine maker, and book critic who lives in Philadelphia. She is the author of the memoir *White Elephants*, and the essay collection *Slip of the Tongue: Talking About Language*. Her written works have been published in *Utne*, *Bitch*, *Adbusters*, *The Comics Journal*, *Philadelphia Magazine*, *The Believer Logger*, and elsewhere.

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