

THE PRIMAL SCREAMER

Nick Blinko

A gothic horror novel about severe mental distress and punk rock. The novel is written in the form of a diary kept by a psychiatrist, Dr. Rodney H. Dweller, concerning his patient, Nathaniel Snoxell, brought to him in 1979 because of several attempted suicides. Snoxell gets involved in the nascent UK anarcho-punk scene, recording EPs and playing gigs in squatted Anarchy Centers. In 1985, the good doctor himself "goes insane" and disappears.

This semi-autobiographical novel from Rudimentary Peni singer, guitarist, lyricist, and illustrator Nick Blinko, plunges into the worlds of madness, suicide, and anarchist punk. Lovecraft meets Crass in the squats and psychiatric institutions of early-'80s England. This new edition collects Blinko's long-sought-after artwork from the three previous incarnations.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Nick Blinko was born in 1961. He was in the band Rudimentary Peni, whose records include *Death Church*, *Cacophony*, and *Pope Adrian 37th*, enjoy international acclaim in punk and avant-garde circles. A legendary figure in the "outsider art" scene, his paintings are exhibited across the world. He continues to write, paint, and make music in Black Langley, Hertfordshire, UK.

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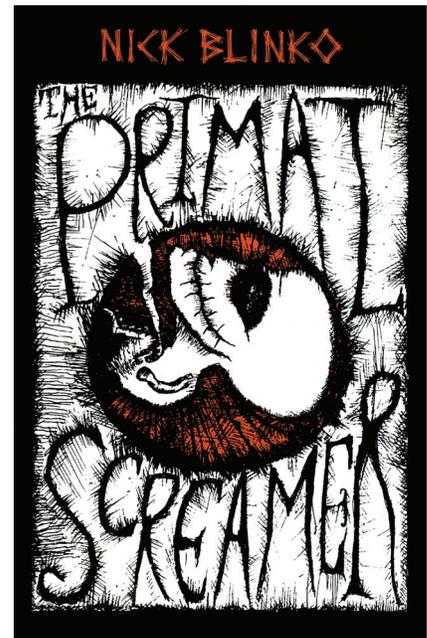
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