



**WHEN DAVID LOST HIS VOICE / Judith Vanistendael**  
**“A heartfelt, uplifting portrayal of a family preparing for life after David”**  
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**About the book:**

*The moment his granddaughter Louise is born, David learns that he has cancer. But words were never his forte, and he'd rather keep quiet about his illness, the pain and the end that awaits him – much to the frustration of the women in his life. They wait, powerless, for the silent but inexorable end.*

“Neither sentimental nor cynical, this narrative holds the most delicate aspects of family life gently and openly for readers to immerse themselves.”

*Booklist Magazine*

“A book like a tone poem, exactly fitting Shelley’s words: ‘a nightingale who sits in darkness and sings to cheer its own solitude with sweet sounds.’”

*David Small*

**About the author/ artist:**

Judith Vanistendael (b. 1974) is a Belgian author of graphic novels and an illustrator. She became an instant hit with her first graphic novel, published in English by SelfMadeHero as *Dance by the Light of the Moon*, in which she tells a love story between a Togolese political refugee and a young Belgian girl. This work, originally in two volumes, was nominated twice at Angoulême, and has been translated into many languages. Judith also illustrates children’s books.

**About the translator:**

Nora Mahony translates from Italian and French and works as a freelance editor. Based in Dublin, she runs Parkbench Publishing Services, which specialises in literary translation from a range of languages.

**About the publisher:**

SelfMadeHero is a publisher of the finest fiction, biography, history and humour in the graphic novel medium. Showcasing leading authors and artists from around the world: from the quirky and humorous to the political and profound.

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