

## Jeffrey Brown

### Star Wars: **Vader's Little Princess** + **Jedi Academy**

October 4th to November 5th, 2013

Opening reception **October 4th at 6 PM**

Scott Eder Gallery

18 Bridge St., Brooklyn, NY

**Scott Eder Gallery** is thrilled to present an exhibition featuring the art from Jeffrey Brown's latest "Star Wars" mash-ups, *Vader's Little Princess* and *Jedi Academy*, opening October 4th, 2013 in Dumbo. A *New York Times* bestseller, *Vader's Little Princess* continues to explore the gentler side of Darth Vader as he tackles fatherhood in a galaxy close, close to home. The book's publisher, Chronicle Books, describes it as:



...this irresistibly funny follow-up to the breakout bestseller *Darth Vader and Son...* Vader -- Sith Lord and leader of the Galactic Empire -- now faces the trials, joys, and mood swings of raising his daughter Leia as she grows from a sweet little girl into a rebellious teenager. Smart and funny illustrations by artist Jeffrey Brown give classic "Star Wars" moments a twist by bringing these iconic family relations together under one roof. From tea parties to teaching Leia how to fly a TIE fighter, regulating the time she spends talking with friends via R2-D2's hologram, and making sure Leia doesn't leave the house wearing only a skirted metal bikini, Vader's parenting skills are put hilariously to the test.

*Jedi Academy*, Brown's most recent work, moves away from the Vader family and into junior high school... in a galaxy far, far away...  
Published by Scholastic,

...this incredible, original story captures all of the humor, awkwardness, fun, and frustrations of middle school, all told through one boy's comics, journal entries, letters, doodles, and newspaper clippings...

Roan's one dream is to leave home and attend Pilot Academy like his older brother, father, and grandfather. But just as Roan is mysteriously denied entrance to Pilot Academy, he is invited to attend Jedi Academy, a school that he didn't apply to and only recruits children when they are just a few years old. That is, until now...

This inventive novel follows Roan's first year at Jedi Academy where, under the tutelage of Master Yoda, he learns that he possesses more strength and potential than he could have ever dreamed. Oh, and he learns other important things too -- like how to make a baking soda volcano, fence with a lightsaber, slow dance with a girl, and lift boulders with the Force.

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The gallery will show over 120 of Brown's small-scale, meticulously rendered colored-ink drawings from the pages of *Vader's Little Princess* and *Jedi Academy*, each a complete one-page gag. The show opens on October 4th, with an artist

reception from 6-9 PM.

Copies of both books will be available for purchase.

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Jeffrey Brown was born in 1975 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. While earning his studio MFA from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC), Brown abandoned painting and began drawing comics with his first autobiographical book, *Clumsy*, in 2001. Since then, he's drawn more than a dozen books for publishers including TopShelf, McSweeney's, Chronicle Books, Simon & Schuster, and Scholastic. Brown has also directed an animated video for the band Death Cab for Cutie, had his work featured on NPR's "This American Life," and co-wrote the screenplay for the film "Save The Date."

Brown's 2012 book *Darth Vader and Son* was a *New York Times* #1 bestseller, as well as an Eisner (comics industry) Award winner for Best Humor Publication. His art has been shown at galleries in New York, Los Angeles, Paris, and the Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago. Now teaching comics at SAIC, Brown lives in Chicago with his wife, Jennifer, and their two sons.

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