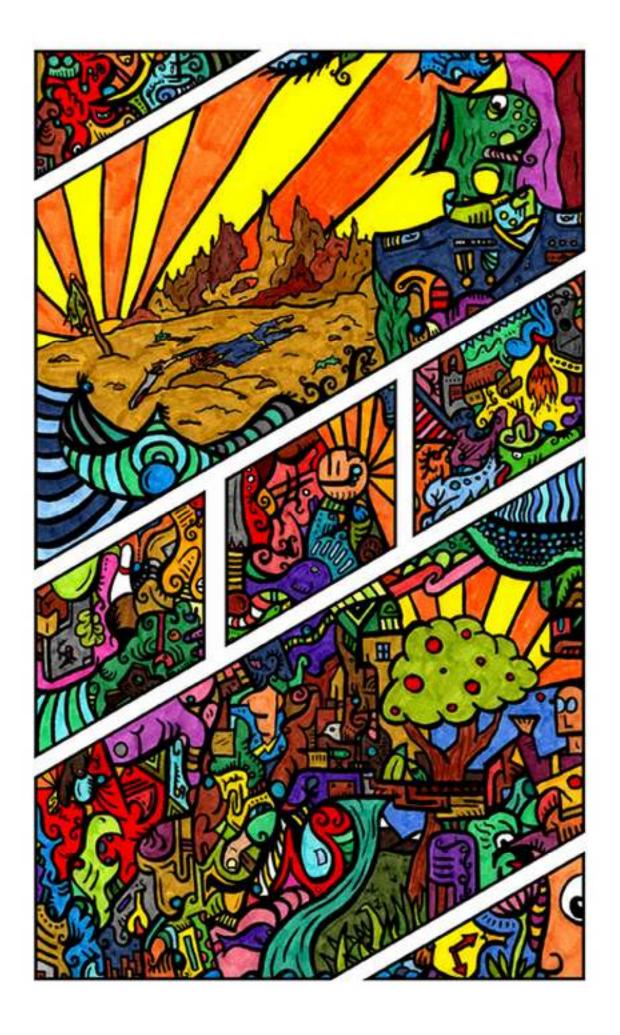# Stray Thoughts

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The End

About Stray Thoughts...

I started this project with some simple ideas, but it ended up turning into much more for me: both as an artist and as a person. It initially began as a challenge to utilize the storytelling aspects of the comic book format by applying them to a more unconventional art style. I drew Stray thoughts through spur of the moment expression, without preconceptions or planning about any particular objects or themes. This process encompassed all of the lines, colors and page layouts of this book. Looking back on Stray Thoughts gives me the opportunity to delve into thoughts and emotions hidden deep in my psyche that often go unexplored.

It's for this reason that Stray Thoughts developed into much more than its original idea. This art is drawn during a period of my life where I have focused on exploring art created while focused within the present moment. I feel Stray Thoughts is as much a statement of personal exploration and discovery as it is artistic expression.

Based on your own life experiences, your perception of Stray Thoughts will naturally be different than everyone else's. This fact adds an interesting dynamic to this project. For this reason, I have tried very hard to eliminate any preconceptions that might arise due to any description or discussion until after you have finished the book. Part of the enjoyment in this experience is reflecting on your reactions to the images. Everyone has a different history of causes and conditions that will shape perceptions and reactions.

Please visit www.RoamingBuffalo.com and become an active member of the Stray Thoughts experience. I invite you to post your thoughts, as well as read the reactions of other readers. The website also features a special commentary from my father, Eric A. Kreuter; whose personal interpretation of drawing within the framework of the present moment appears in the 2 panels at the bottom of page 11.