



Joe Speedboat (Paperback)

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GROVE PRESS, BLACK CAT, United States, 2010. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. A sparkling coming-of-age novel that has sold over 300,000 copies in Holland, in which the inhabitants of a sleepy rural town are awakened by the arrival of a kinetic young visionary, Joe Speedboat. After a farming accident plunges him into a coma for six months, Frankie Hermans wakes up to discover that he s paralyzed and mute. Bound to a wheelchair, Frankie struggles to adjust to a life where he must rely on others to complete even the simplest tasks. The only body part he can control is his right arm, which he uses obsessively to record the details of daily life in his town. But when he meets Joe--a boy who blazed into town like a meteor while Frankie slept--everything changes. Joe is a centrifugal force, both magician and daredevil, and he alone sees potential strength in Frankie s handicaps. With Joe s help, Frankie s arm will be used for more than just writing: as a champion arm-wrestler, Frankie will be powerful enough to win back his friends, and maybe even woo P. J., the girl who has them all in a...

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