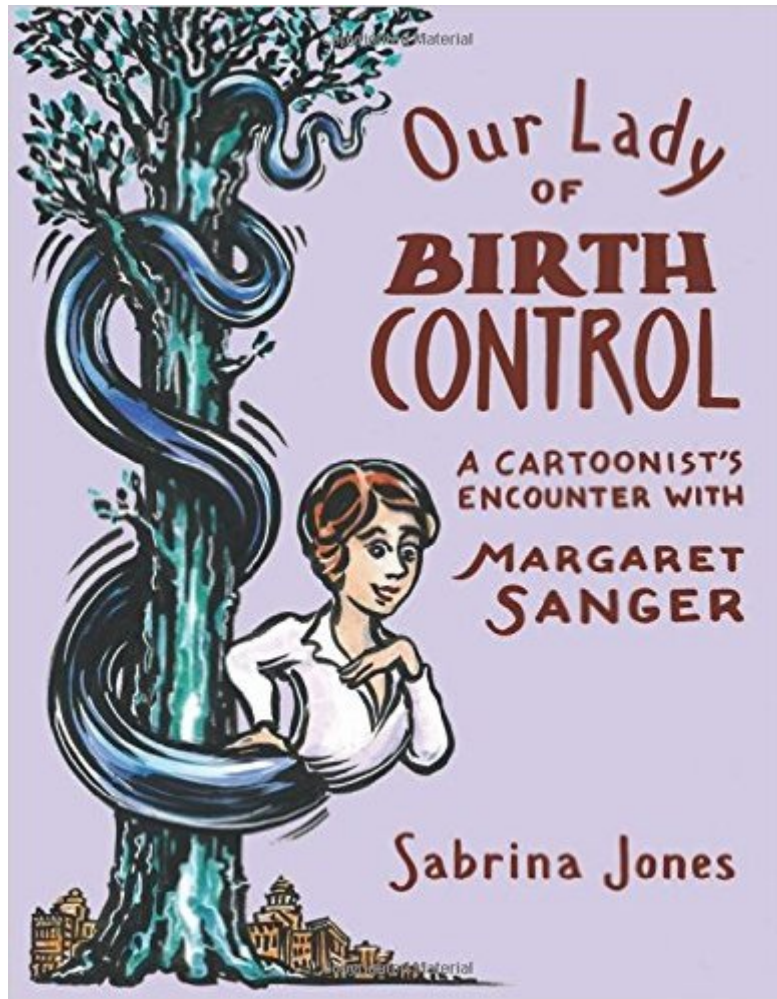


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# Our Lady Of Birth Control: A Cartoonist's Encounter With Margaret Sanger



## Synopsis

Working class nurse. Mother of three. Labor organizer. Margaret Sanger's best known as the pioneer of birth control; was revolutionary in more ways than one. In Sabrina Jones's graphic novel *Our Lady of Birth Control*, the author illustrates the incredible life of Margaret Sanger (1879-1966), framing the biography with her personal experiences of coming of age at the height of the sexual revolution. During her lifetime, Sanger transformed herself from working class nurse to an exuberant free-lover and savvy manipulator of the media, the law, and her wealthy supporters. Through direct action, propaganda, exile, and imprisonment, she ultimately succeeded in bringing legal access to birth control to women of all classes. Sanger's revolutionary actions established organizations that eventually evolved into Planned Parenthood Federation of America. Jones's autobiographical sections of *Our Lady of Birth Control* show her journey into activist art in response to the anti-feminist backlash of the Reagan era. From street theater and protest graphics to alternative comics, her path similarly follows in Margaret's footsteps, encountering versions of the same adversaries. Her striking imagery evokes the late 20th century, recalling the ashcan artists of *The Masses*, an acclaimed magazine of Sanger's formative years. Powerful, poetic, and extremely personal, this historical graphic novel is an in-depth look at the woman responsible for bringing freedom to the masses.

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Author, Sabrina Jones spoke about how she became interested in Brooklyn activist Margaret

Sanger, her work, & her story. And, of women's struggle to control their own bodies and destinies. Why did it take 100 years - from 1916 until now? Written & drawn in Comic Book form - the story reveals the struggle & pain women suffered before and now.

Entertaining way to easily receive & memorize a great her-historical time! It freed all women, whether they accept Margaret Sanger or not! Facts are triumphant!

Ms. Jones failed to develop the relationship between Ms. Sanger and Ernst Rohm. She basically wrote the German's eugenics program and should give credit where it's due. Fast forward to America where blacks were forcibly sterilized until 1981, 2010 if you include prisoners. "Our Lady of" seems like such a disparaging reference to Mary, the mother of Jesus, but Ms. Sanger was simply the mother of death.

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