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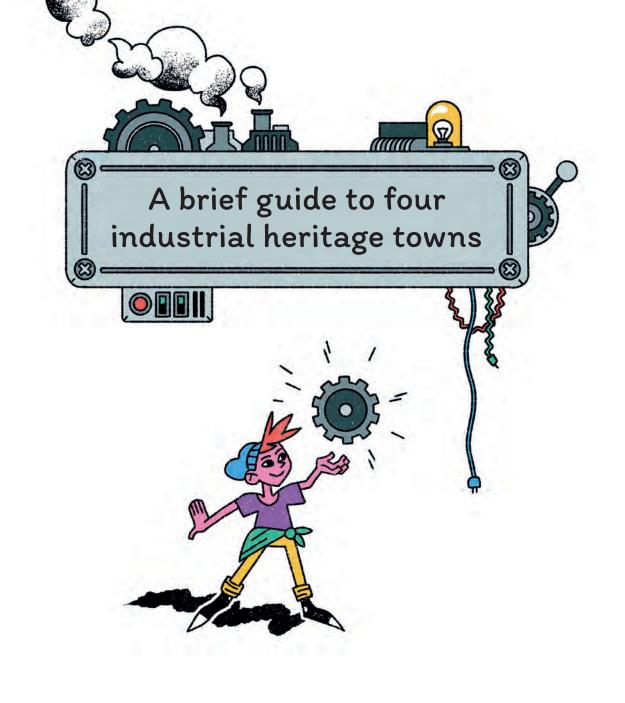
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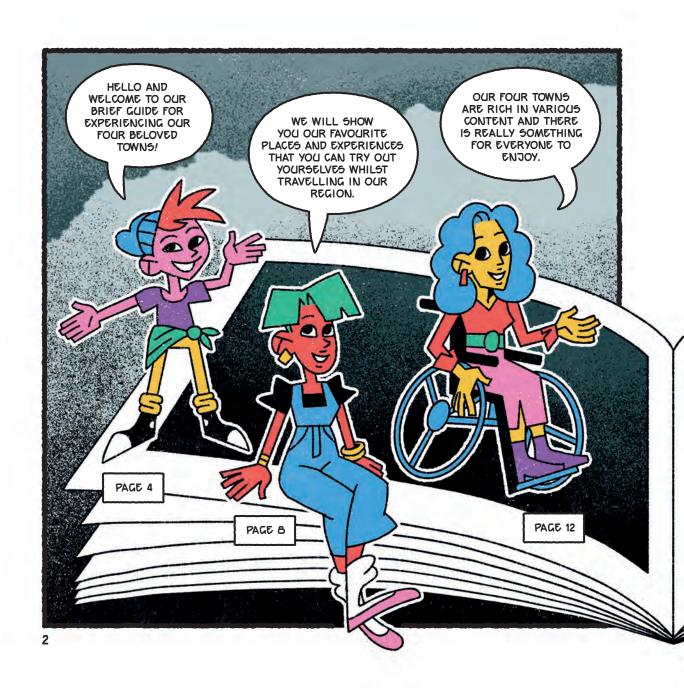
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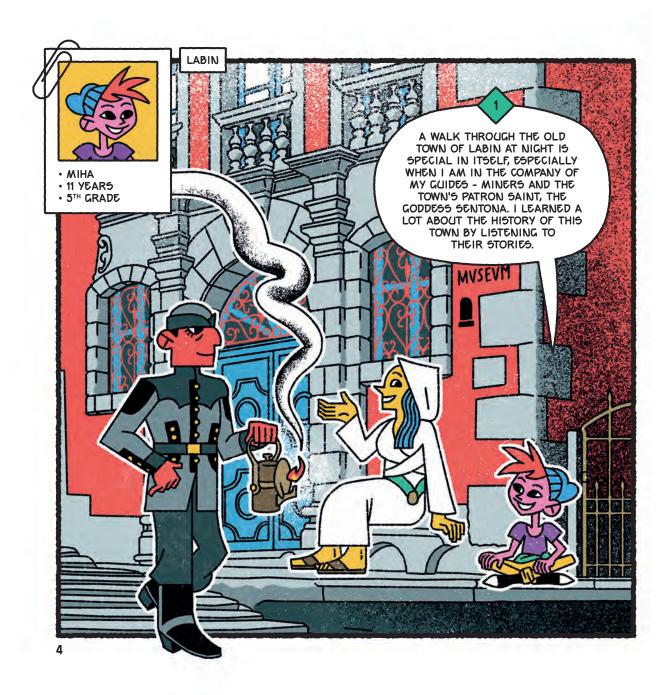
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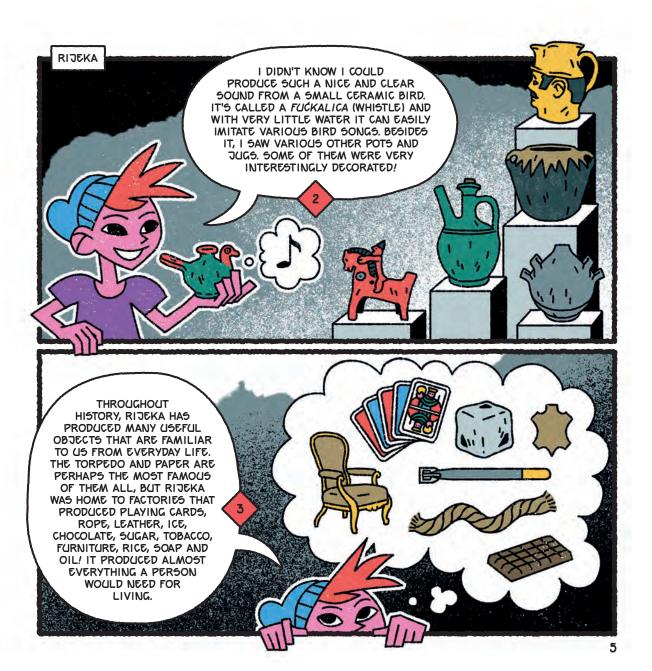
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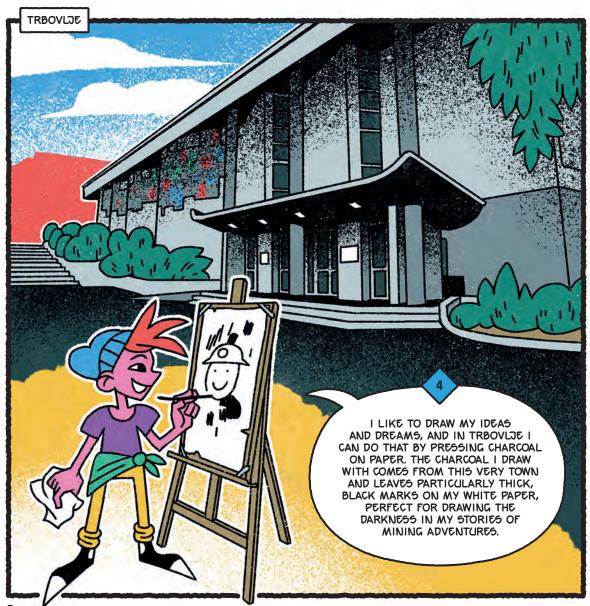








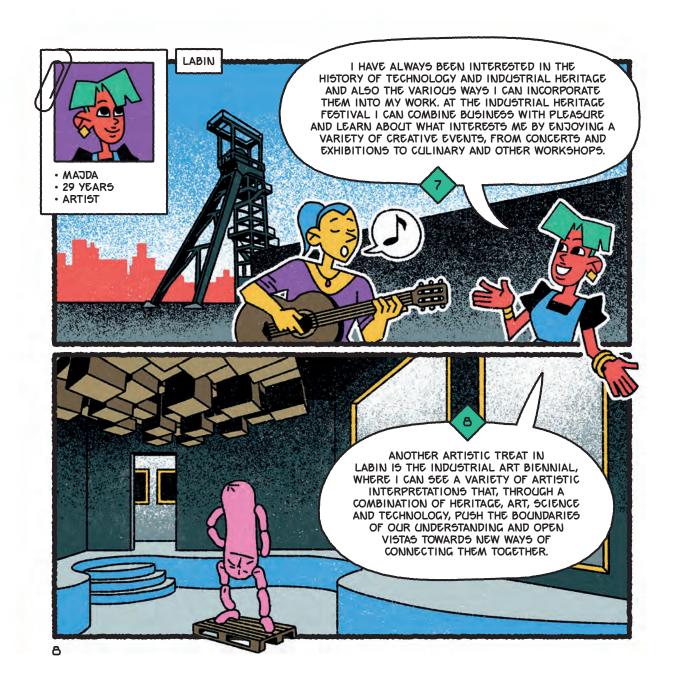


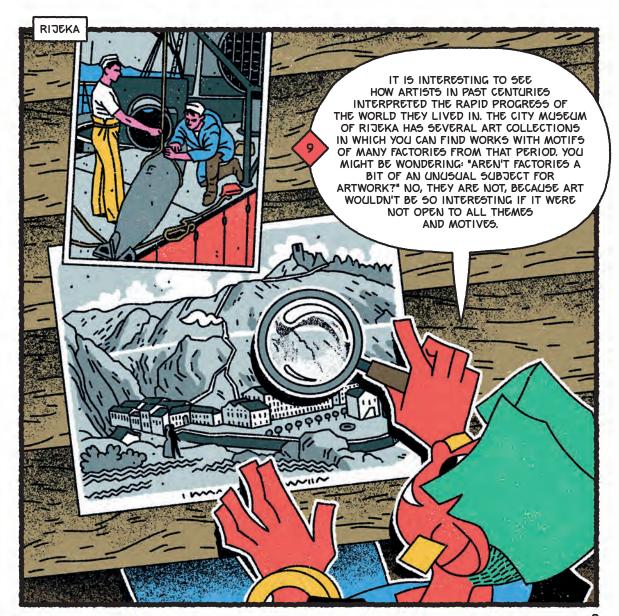


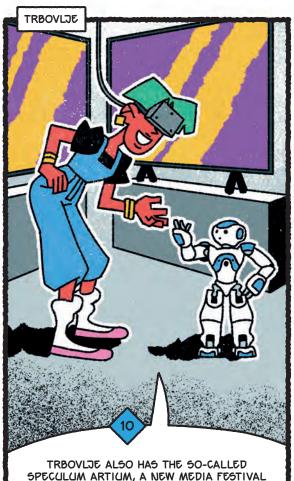


IN THIS OLD WAGON I LISTENED TO MANY FAIRY TALES AND LEARNED MANY DETAILS ABOUT THE RAILWAY. I DIDN'T KNOW THAT STEAM LOCOMOTIVES, IN ADDITION TO COAL, ALSO NEED A LOT OF WATER TO WORK! THE WATER TOWER WAS USED TO COLLECT WATER IN ITS TWO POOLS AND DIRECT IT TO THE PROPULSION MACHINE, USING THE FORCE OF GRAVITY AND DEVICES SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR THIS PURPOSE.







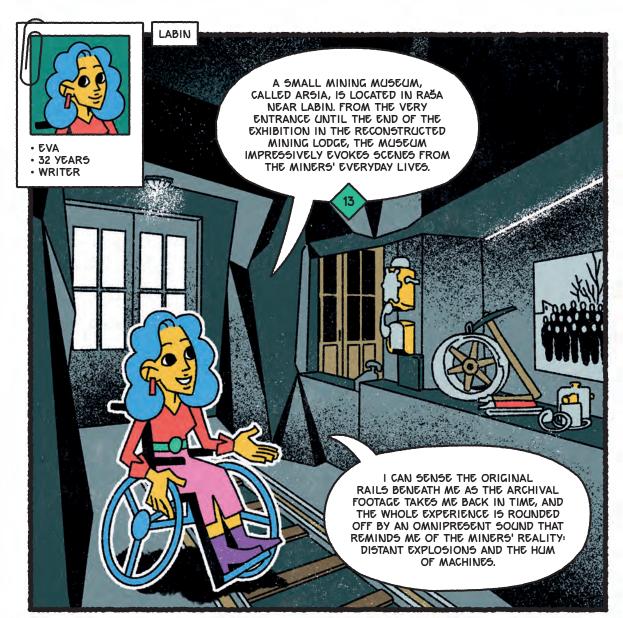


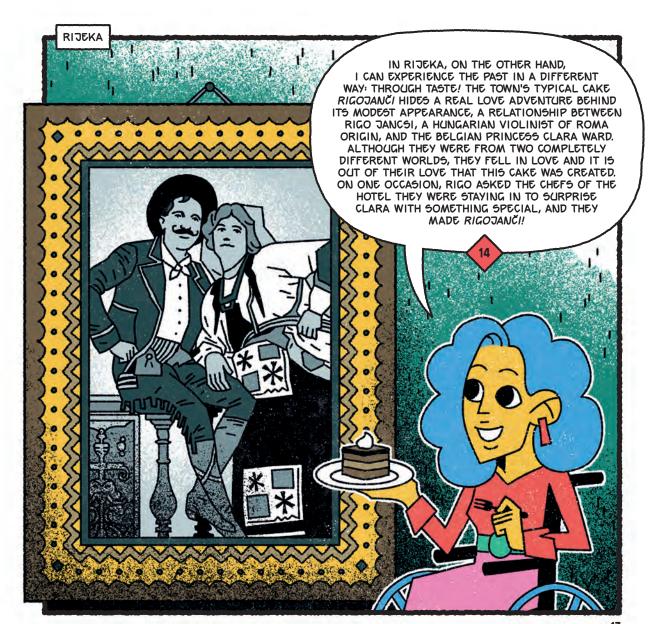
TRBOVIJE ALSO HAS THE SO-CALLED SPECULUM ARTIUM, A NEW MEDIA FESTIVAL WHICH ATTRACTS PEOPLE WITH INTERESTS THAT BORDER BETWEEN SCIENCE AND ART. I AM ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN WORKS THAT USE ROBOTICS AND VIRTUAL REALITY. I'M VERY CURIOUS AS TO HOW THE USE OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES IN ART WILL BE ACCEPTED BY AUDIENCES WHO PREFER CLASSIC EXHIBITIONS!

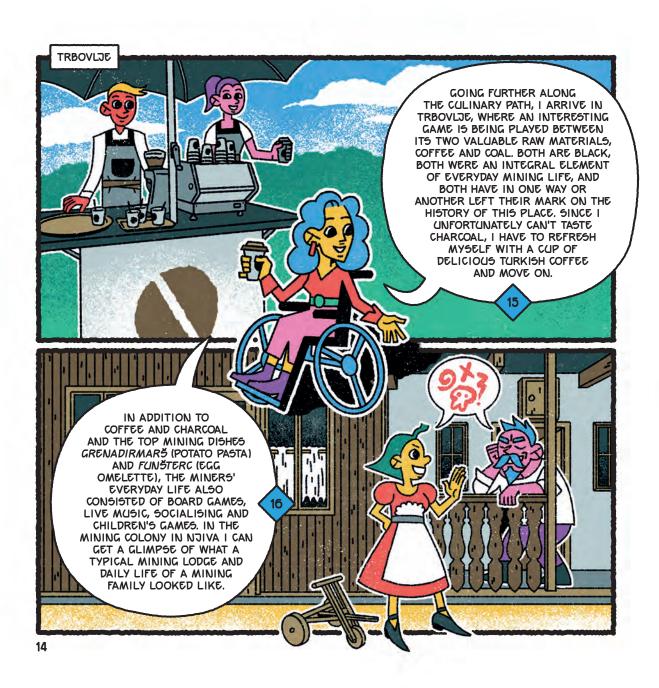
SOMETIMES YOU NEED TO STEP OUTSIDE YOUR COMFORT ZONE AND TRY SOMETHING COMPLETELY NEW. THE UNUSUAL PUBLIC SCULPTURES OF STOJAN BATIC IN TRBOVLJE, WHICH ARE SIMPLE AND ABSTRACT IN SHAPE, ARE PERFECT FOR YOUNG ARTISTS TO SKETCH AND EXPLORE NEW IDEAS, WHILE GIVING THE REST OF US INCENTIVE TO PONDER ABOUT MINERS, THEIR FEELINGS AND LIFE AS IT ONCE WAS.









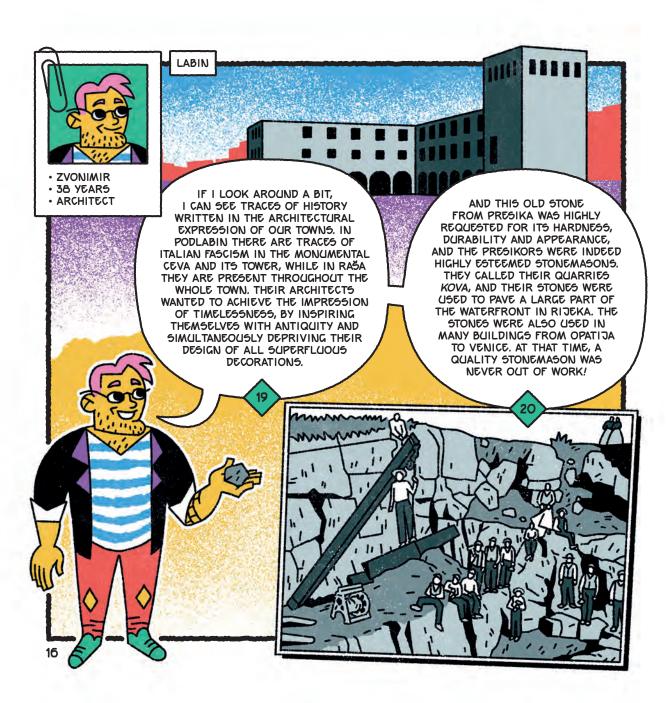


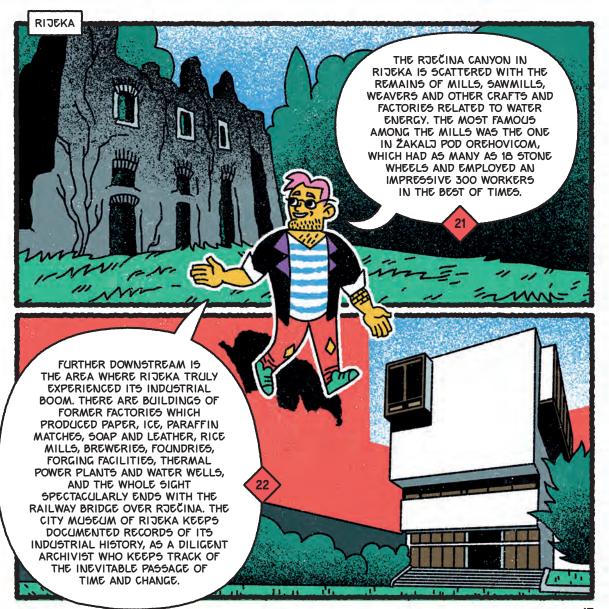


I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN FASCINATED BY HANDMADE ITEMS WITH A RICH HISTORY AND CRAFTING TRADITION. IN THE CERAMICS STUDIO I CAN SEE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF ITS PRODUCTION, FROM CLAY TO GLAZE AND BAKING, AND I HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEMPT MAKING SOMETHING WITH MY OWN HANDS. BUT FIRST I HAVE TO THINK CAREFULLY ABOUT THE USEFUL OBJECT I WANT TO CREATE!

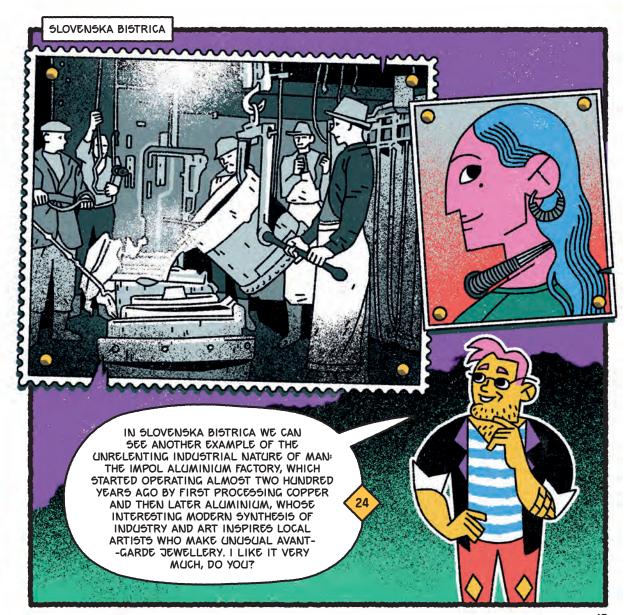
AT THE WORKSHOP LOCATED IN THE FIRE STATION IN PRAGERSKO, I CAN LEARN ANOTHER USEFUL THING: KNITTING. THIS OLD CRAFT HAS CLAD GENERATIONS OF WORKERS, WHICH DILIGENT WOMEN PRACTICED TO PROVIDE THEIR FAMILIES WITH WARMTH IN FREEZING WINTERS AND PROTECT THEM AGAINST FROSTBITE. HANDICRAFTS AND VARIOUS OTHER OBJECTS IN VARIOUS WAYS BEAR WITNESS TO THE EVERYDAY LIFE OF THE PEOPLE WHO USED THEM.

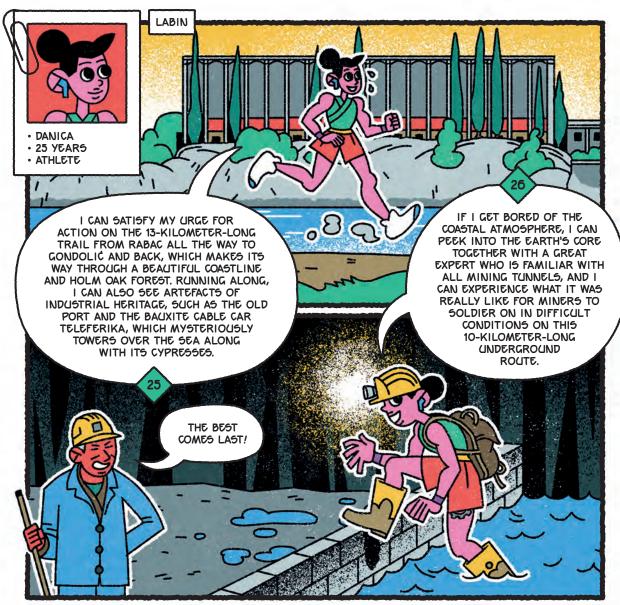


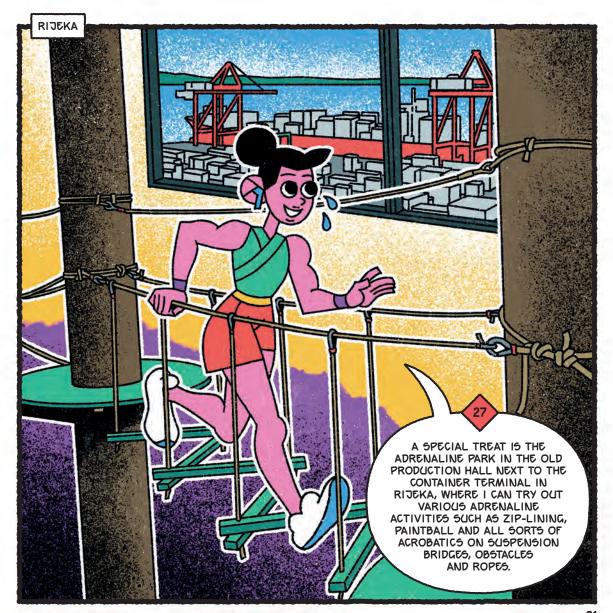










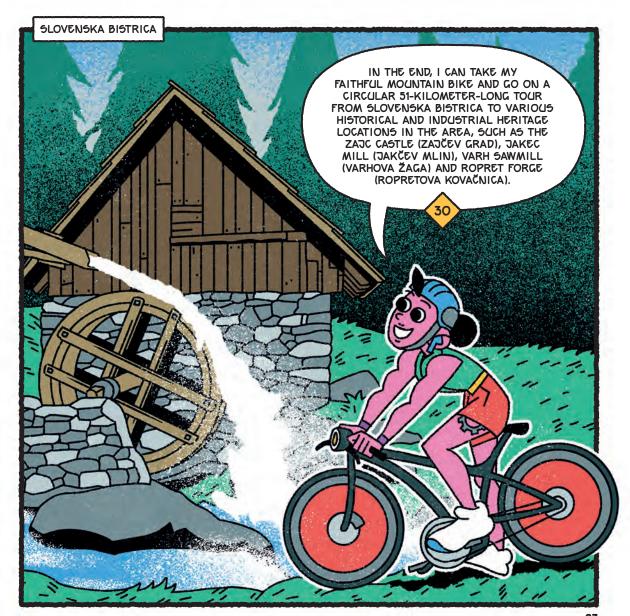


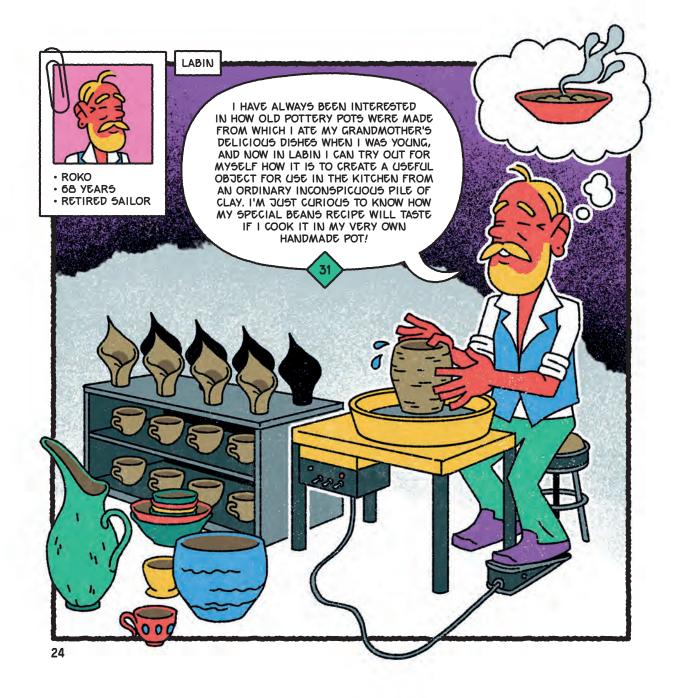
## TRBOVLJE

IN TRBOVLJE, I CAN EXPERIENCE THE SPECIFIC ATMOSPHERE OF THE UNDERWORLD AND LIFE IN THE DARK IN ANOTHER TWO WAYS. IN THE VIRTUAL MUSEUM OF MINING "THE 4TH DRILL", WITH THE HELP OF MODERN TECHNOLOGY I CAN EXPERIENCE THE TENSE ADVENTURE OF RESCUING TRAPPED MINERS FROM THE MYSTERIOUS BLACK HOLE OF WHICH LEGENDS ARE STILL BEING TOLD...









RIJEKA

IT'S NOT HARD TO IMAGINE HOW PEOPLE FELT DURING THE MIDDLE OF THE LAST CENTURY WHEN THEY WERE HIDING FROM AERIAL BOMBINGS IN THIS 33O-METER-LONG TUNNEL THAT THE ITALIAN ARMY DUG UNDER THE VERY HEART OF THE OLD TOWN OF RIJEKA. I WONDER IF A TUNNEL LIKE THIS WOULD WITHSTAND THE IMPACT OF A TORPEDO...











