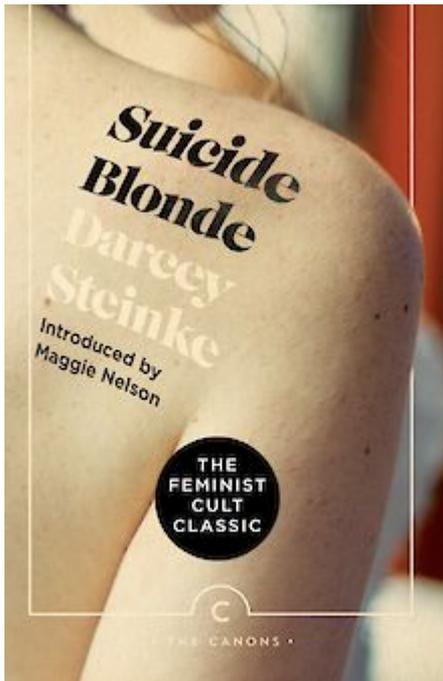


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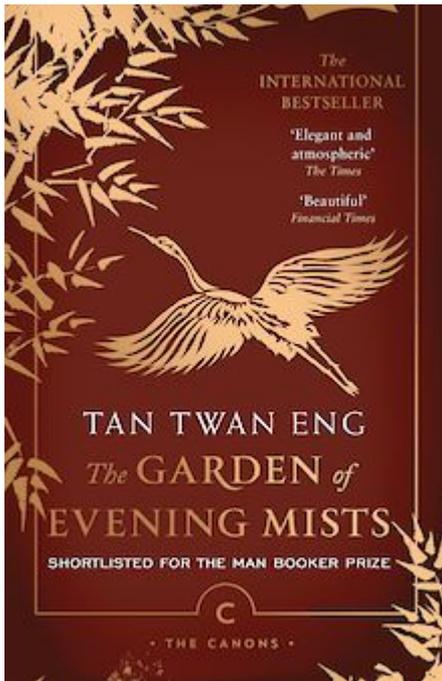
As startling, original and vital as it was when first published, *Suicide Blonde* is an intensely erotic story of one young woman's sexual and psychological odyssey, and a modern cult classic.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Darcey Steinke is the author of five novels including *Sister Golden Hair*, *Jesus Saves*, *Up Through the Water and Milk*, and a memoir *Easter Everywhere*. Her books have been translated into ten languages. darceysteinke.com

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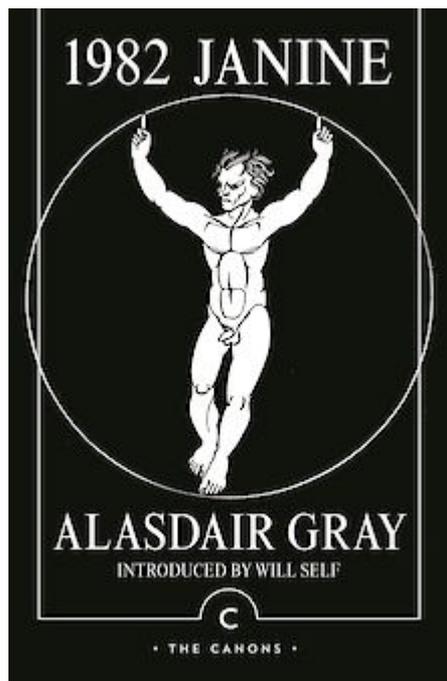
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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Tan Twan Eng was born in Penang, Malaysia. His debut novel *The Gift of Rain* was longlisted for the Man Booker Prize in 2007 and has been widely translated. *The Garden of Evening Mists* won the Man Asian Literary Prize 2012 and the 2013 Walter Scott Prize for historical fiction and was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize 2012 and the 2014 International IMPAC Dublin Literary Award. He divides his time between Kuala Lumpur and Cape Town. tantwaneng.com

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Born in 1934, Alasdair Gray graduated in design and mural painting from the Glasgow School of Art. Since 1981, when *Lanark* was published by Canongate, he has written, designed and illustrated seven novels, several books of short stories, a collection of his stage, radio and TV plays and a book of his visual art, *A Life in Pictures*. In his own words, 'Alasdair Gray is a fat, spectacled, balding, old Glaswegian pedestrian who has mainly lived by writing and designing books, most of them fiction.'

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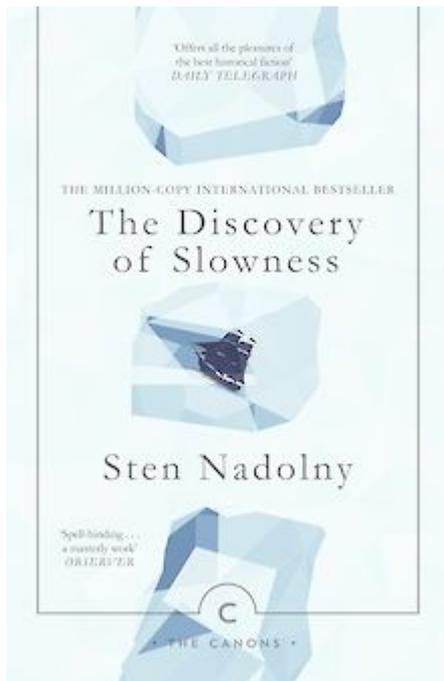
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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Ruth Ozeki is an award-winning novelist and filmmaker. Her third novel, *A Tale for the Time Being* won the 2013 Independent Booksellers Book Award and the Kitchies Red Tentacle Award, and was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize 2013 and the National Book Critics Award for Fiction. She is also the author of *My Year of Meats* and *All Over Creation*. Ozeki was born and raised in Connecticut, by an American father and Japanese mother. In June 2010 she was ordained as a Zen Buddhist priest. She divides her time between British Columbia and New York. ruthozeki.com | [@ozekiland](https://twitter.com/ozekiland)

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Sten Nadolny is the author of four novels and two collections of essays. *The Discovery of Slowness* (1983) is regarded as his masterpiece. It has been translated into all major languages and has sold over one million copies worldwide, and was nominated for the *Independent Foreign Fiction Prize*. He lives in Berlin.

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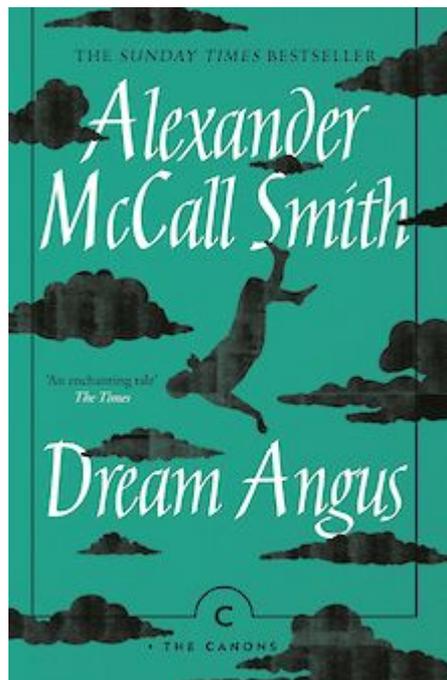
ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Jim Dodge is the author of three novels, including *Fup* and *Not Fade Away*, and a collection of poetry and short prose, *Rain on the River*. He lived for many years on an isolated ranch in western Sonoma County and has been by turns an apple picker, a carpet layer, a teacher, a professional gambler, a shepherd for five years, a woodcutter and an environmental restorer.

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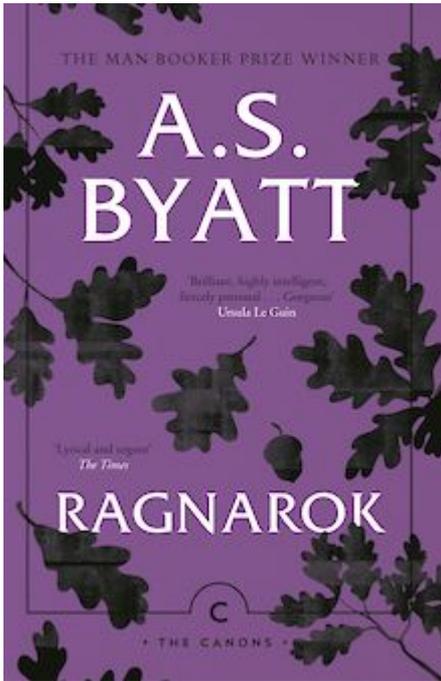
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Alexander McCall Smith is the author of over fifty books, including the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series of novels and several collections of short stories, including *The Girl Who Married a Lion* and *Heavenly Date and Other Flirtations*. Many of his books have become bestsellers throughout the world and he has received numerous awards for his writing, including the British Book Awards Author of the Year Award in 2004 and a CBE for Services to Literature in 2007. He lives in Scotland.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

A.S. Byatt is renowned internationally for her novels and short stories, including the Booker Prize-winning *Possession*, *The Biographer's Tale* and the Man Booker-shortlisted *The Children's Book*. A distinguished critic as well as a writer of fiction, she was appointed CBE in 1990 and DBE in 1999.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Born in East London to working-class parents as the Second World War was drawing to a close, Sylvia Smith ducked out of a career in hairdressing at the last minute to begin a life of office work. A driving licence and a school swimming certificate are her only qualifications, although she is also quite good at dressmaking. *Misadventures* is her first book. She died on 23 February 2013.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

James Meek was born in London in 1962 and grew up in Dundee. His novel *The People's Act of Love* won the Royal Society of Literature Ondaatje Prize, the SAC Book of the Year Award, was longlisted for the Man Booker Prize and has been published in more than thirty countries. His latest novel *The Heart Broke In* was shortlisted for the Costa Book Award 2012 and his novel *We Are Now Beginning our Descent* won the Prince Maurice Prize. He is the author of two other novels, a book of non-fiction and two collections of short stories. His journalism has won a number of British and international awards. He lives in London.

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