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is a professor of English at the University of Notre Dame in Indiana. Born and raised in Beaufort, South Carolina, which became the thinly disguised Due East of her fiction, she lived in New York for many years. Her literary awards include a Pushcart Prize for fiction and a National Endowment for the Arts literature fellowship.
In Pinelight
A Novel
Thomas Rayfiel

As the elderly hero of Thomas Rayfiel’s daring new novel, *In Pinelight*, sits in a retirement home responding to the questions of an unseen interrogator, the fragments he supplies form the portrait of a man’s life in upstate New York. Losses, loves, destructive family relationships, sexual entanglements, and moments of mystical awareness filter through the seeming minutiae of small-town gossip to confront the reader with their cumulative power.

*In Pinelight* stirs the emotions both by its formal virtuosity and by the precision with which the narrator is able to reveal human psychology. Rayfiel seeks to capture the essence of historical forces and to illuminate the inescapable truths we would rather not see.


Think of Me and I’ll Know
Stories
Anthony Varallo

The characters in *Think of Me and I’ll Know*, Anthony Varallo’s probing new collection of stories, face moments in which insight comes too late or proves insufficient, often to humorous effect. The characters approach the edge of learning something about themselves or about their relationships with other people, only to be left with knowledge that is not particularly useful.

Varallo ably captures the often confused and heart-rending perspective of adolescents discovering the world, as in “No One at All,” in which an eleven-year-old boy comes to see that another boy, two years older, is something less than a reliable friend. He also captures the complications of family dynamics, such as the three generations of women in the related stories “Lucky Us” and “Tragic Little Me.” The stories in *Think of Me and I’ll Know* show that we are perhaps not much more comprehensible to ourselves than others are to us.

ANTHONY VARALLO is an associate professor of English at the College of Charleston. His previous story collections are *Out Loud* (2009), winner of the Dos Passos Prize for Literature, and *This Day in History* (2005, winner of the Iowa Short Fiction Award).

Praise for Thomas Rayfiel’s previous books
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—Marilyn Stasio, New York Times Book Review

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Donna Kornhaber

Charlie Chaplin was one of the cinema’s consummate comic performers, yet he has long been criticized as a lackluster film director. In this groundbreaking work—the first to analyze Chaplin’s directorial style—Donna Kornhaber radically recasts his status as a filmmaker. Kornhaber discovers a sophisticated “Chaplinesque” visual style spanning Chaplin’s career that draws from early cinema and slapstick and stands markedly apart from later, “classical” stylistic conventions. His is a manner of filmmaking that values space over time and simultaneity over sequence, crafting narrative and meaning through careful arrangement within the frame rather than cuts between frames.

Opening up aesthetic possibilities beyond the typical boundaries of the classical Hollywood film, Chaplin’s filmmaking would profoundly influence directors from Fellini to Truffaut. To view Chaplin seriously as a director is to re-understand him as an artist and to reconsider the nature and breadth of his legacy.

DONNA KORNHABER is an assistant professor in the department of English at the University of Texas at Austin.

FILM/BIOGRAPHY

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Also of Interest

Thomas Mann’s Artist-Heroes

Jeffrey Meyers

Jeffrey Meyers has written acclaimed biographies of many of the most influential authors of the twentieth century, but none has affected him as deeply as Thomas Mann. From his first youthful encounter with Death in Venice, Meyers has cultivated a lifetime obsession with Mann’s elegant style, penetrating irony, and insight into the life of the artist. Thomas Mann’s Artist-Heroes follows Mann’s own obsession with the artistic life through his characters: from the fiction of Gustav von Aschenbach in Death in Venice and the music of Adrian Leverkühn in Doctor Faustus, to Tonio Kröger’s life as a writer, to the artistically minded patient Hans Castorp in The Magic Mountain, and finally to Mann’s time in America and later memoirs by his family. Mann probes deeper than perhaps any other author into questions of why an artist is formed, why he must defy conventional society, and how suffering and disease affect his work.

Admirers of Thomas Mann and of Jeffrey Meyers’s biographies will find in this remarkable book the best introduction to one of the greatest writers of the modern age.

JEFFREY MEYERS has written biographies of Ernest Hemingway, Joseph Conrad, Scott Fitzgerald, George Orwell, and John Huston, among others. He lives in Berkeley, California.

BIOGRAPHY/LITERARY CRITICISM

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Praise for Jeffrey Meyers’s previous books

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Edgar Allen Poe: His Life and Legacy
“Vivid and haunting: a great success.”—Kirkus Reviews

“Admirably executed. Meyers, untempted by psychoanalytic theories, conveys Poe’s acrimonious, often absurd literary travails and canvasses his reputation and influence. Meyers’ book pitches Poe as the ‘prototypical self-destructive American writer’ Meyers insists on reading Poe as more than the sum of his bereavements.”—Times Literary Supplement
The White Snake
A Play
Mary Zimmerman
Foreword by Mo Zhou

In her latest theatrical production inspired by a classic story, Mary Zimmerman reimagines The White Snake, an ancient Chinese legend in which a snake spirit transforms herself into a beautiful woman in order to experience the human world. Adventuring down the mountainside with her companion, Green Snake, White Snake meets and falls in love with the humble, virtuous Xu Xian and convinces him to marry her. Together, the three friends open a pharmacy, but soon the remarkable healing powers of White Snake draw the attention of a treacherous monk, Fa Hai. Outraged at the union between a mortal and a snake spirit, Fa Hai takes it upon himself to destroy the couple. Zimmerman brings to this timeless romance her usual brilliant mix of ingenious stagecraft, song, abundant humor, and compassion.

MARY ZIMMERMAN’S credits as an adapter and a director include Metamorphoses, The Arabian Nights, The Odyssey, Journey to the West, and Argonautica (all published by Northwestern). Her work has been produced at the Lookingglass Theatre and Goodman Theatre of Chicago; on Broadway at Circle in the Square; in New York at Second Stage, the Brooklyn Academy of Music, and the Manhattan Theatre Club; and at Berkeley Repertory Theatre and other theaters around the country and abroad. The recipient of a Tony Award for her direction of Metamorphoses and of a John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Fellowship, Zimmerman is a professor of performance studies at Northwestern University.

DRAMA
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Double Lives, Second Chances
The Cinema of Krzysztof Kieslowski
Annette Insdorf

“An invaluable introduction to one of the greatest of all film-makers.”—Roger Ebert

“Perceptive, empathetic, enigmatic, Krzysztof Kieslowski was perhaps the great filmmaker of our time, and in Annette Insdorf—who knew him, translated for him, and thoroughly understands his work—he has been rewarded with a writer who couldn’t be better suited…”
—Kenneth Turan, Los Angeles Times

Northwestern University Press is pleased to bring back into print a classic in cinema studies—renowned critic Annette Insdorf’s Double Lives, Second Chances is the most comprehensive analysis of Kieslowski’s work to be published in English.

KRZYSZTOF KIESLOWSKI (1941–1996) began as a documentarian who took on controversial subjects in Communist Poland in the 1960s and ‘70s. He gained international renown with his award-winning narrative films The Double Life of Veronique and the Three Colors Trilogy (Blue, White, and Red). He also made The Decalogue, a celebrated series for Polish television.

ANNETTE INSDORF is a professor in the Graduate Film Division of Columbia University’s School of the Arts and director of Undergraduate Film Studies. She is the author of Philip Kaufman (2012), François Truffaut (1994), and Indelible Shadows: Film and the Holocaust (1985).

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The Last Incantations
Poems
David Mura

The personal, historical, and artistic are all in dialogue in David Mura’s daring new collection, The Last Incantations. In a variety of poetic modes, Mura harmonizes and contrasts multiple voices to form a powerful meditation. Certain poems speak from his experiences as a third-generation Japanese American and his family’s struggles to prove their “Americanness.” Others speak from the intersections of our multiracial society—an Asian teenager in love with a Somali Muslim girl, an apostrophe to Richard Pryor, a Palestinian American friend, Abu Ghraib, the hapa sculptor Isamu Noguchi. The result is a sustained multifold poetic, bursting with elegance, heartache, and truth.


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POETRY
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... Sometimes I wish
I wasn’t Oriental. Or, less quaintly, Asiatic.

My plain Midwestern origins, provincial Char Bovary.
Recent years I’ve written little. Friends
dwindled, as if I’ve moved elsewhere. I’ve
left the howling of dogs, Christ on the cross,
shoppers in downtown Hiroshima. A rice ball
carbonized to black seeds. Ah. Zyclon. Zones.
An open book is also night. Why fight it?
As if clothes of mourning were simply for widows.
As if the Old Testaments got it right.
Duras: Destroy, she said.
The silence begins—
I can never have you. That is what I want.

Birthplace with Buried Stones
Poems
Meena Alexander

With their intense lyricism, Meena Alexander’s poems convey the fragmented experience of the traveler, for whom home is both nowhere and everywhere. The landscapes she evokes, whether reading Bashō in the Himalayas or walking a city street, hold echoes of otherness. Place becomes a palimpsest, composed of layer upon layer of memory, dream, and desire. There are poems of love and poems of war—we see the rippling effects of violence and dislocation, of love and its aftermath. The poems in Birthplace with Buried Stones range widely over time and place, from Alexander’s native India to New York City. We see traces of mythology, ritual, and other languages. Uniquely attuned to life in a globalized world, Alexander’s poetry is an apt guide, bringing us face to face with the power of a single moment and its capacity to evoke the unseen and unheard.

MEENA ALEXANDER, Distinguished Professor of English at Hunter College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York, is the author of numerous books of poetry, including Quickly Changing River (2008), Raw Silk (2004), and the PEN Open Book Award–winning Illiterate Heart (2002), all published by Northwestern. She is the author of the book of essays Poetics of Dislocation and the critically acclaimed memoir Fault Lines.

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Snow
At the pitch heart of winter my parents appear
Dressed in thin cotton, holding hands.
He’s come from a tent reared in the clouds,
And she from a house with a stony courtyard.
In her black cooking pot, goldfish crawl.
Not far from his grave, twin hummingbirds
Fasten nests to the rim of a pond.
Short strokes of water rise up and store
Darkness. They need me now,
See how my parents turn up as it snows,
Blanched petals of the lotus shredded and blown.
They never knew such treasure in their lives:
They reach for it now as it trembles on trees.

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The Goodman Theatre’s
Festival Latino
Six Plays
Edited by Henry D. Godinez
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Drawn from the first ten years of the Goodman Theatre’s renowned biennial festival of Latino plays, the works in this collection expand the definition of Latino theater, resisting the confines of a particular language, locale, or assumed audience. Instead of focusing on similarities that outline the boundaries of Latino identity, these plays look outward, representing the multiplicity of actual Latino experience. The plays were written and performed sometimes in English and sometimes in Spanish; their stories are set in heterogeneous milieus; they are directed at both Latino and non-Latino audiences; and they incorporate cultural or theatrical elements from vastly different traditions. As a group, these plays indicate the extraordinary range of the festival’s offerings and show how it has contributed to a more complex notion of what Latino theater is and can be.

HENRY D. GODINEZ is an associate professor in the Department of Theatre at Northwestern University and a resident artistic associate at the Goodman Theatre, where he curates the Latino Theatre Festival.

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DIARY/1954
Leopold Tyrmand
Translated from the Polish by Anita Shelton and A. J. Wrobel

Leopold Tyrmand, a Polish Jew who survived World War II by working in Germany under a false identity, would go on to live and write under Poland’s Communist regime for twenty years before emigrating to the West, where he continued to express his deeply felt anti-Communist views. Diary 1954—written after the independent weekly paper that employed him was closed for refusing to mourn Stalin’s death—is an account of daily life in Communist Poland. Like Czesław Miłosz, Václav Havel, and other dissidents who described the absurdities of Soviet-backed regimes, Tyrmand exposes the lies—big and small—that the regimes employed to stay in power. Witty and insightful, Tyrmand’s diary is the chronicle of a man who uses seemingly minor modes of resistance—as a provocative journalist, a Warsaw intellectual, the “spiritual father” of Polish hipsters, and a promoter of jazz in Poland—to maintain his freedom of thought.

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Black Theater Is Black Life
Harvey Young and Queen Meccasia Zabriskie

Black Theater Is Black Life fills a critical gap in the history of African American culture in Chicago. Through interviews with prominent producers, directors, choreographers, designers, dancers, and actors, Young and Zabriskie create a portrait of a diverse, dynamic artistic community between 1970 and 2010. They frame this history with helpful guides, including a chronology of key events, a directory of historic names from the interviews, and an appendix of leading performing arts institutions in Chicago.

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solo/black/woman
scripts, interviews, and essays
Edited by E. Patrick Johnson and Ramón H. Rivera-Servera
Foreword by D. Soyini Madison

The collection solo/black/woman features seven solo performances by emerging and established feminist performance artists from the past three decades. The scripts are accompanied by interviews and critical essays, as well as a DVD showcasing the performances. The performers range from Robbie McCauley and Rhodessa Jones, who were at the leading edge of the solo monologue boom of the 1980s, to new talents such as Stacey Robinson and Misty DeBerry. Collectively, their work displays an enormous range of aesthetic approach and thematic emphasis. The anthology offers a comprehensive, stimulating introduction to the beauty, richness, urgency, pleasure, and political promise of black feminist performance.

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Figurative Inquisitions
Conversion, Torture, and Truth in the Luso-Hispanic Atlantic
Erin Graff Zivin

The practices of interrogation, torture, and confession have resurfaced in public debates since the early 2000s following human rights abuses around the globe. Yet discussion of torture has remained restricted to three principal fields: the legal, the pragmatic, and the moral, eclipsing the less immediate but vital question of what torture does. Figurative Inquisitions seeks to correct this lacuna by approaching the question of torture from a literary vantage point.

This book investigates the uncanny presence of the Inquisition and marranismo (crypto-Judaism) in modern literature, theater, and film from Mexico, Brazil, and Portugal. Through a critique of fictional scenes of interrogation, it underscores the vital role of the literary in deconstructing the relation between torture and truth. Figurative Inquisitions traces the contours of a relationship among aesthetics, ethics, and politics in an account of the “Inquisitional logic” that continues to haunt contemporary political forms. In so doing, the book offers a unique humanistic perspective on current torture debates.

ERIN GRAFF ZIVIN is an associate professor of Spanish and Portuguese and of comparative literature at the University of Southern California.

Montaigne and the Origins of Modern Philosophy
Ann Hartle

Montaigne’s Essays are rightfully studied as giving birth to the literary form of that name. Ann Hartle’s Montaigne and the Origins of Modern Philosophy argues that the essay is actually the perfect expression of Montaigne as what he called “a new figure: an unpremeditated and accidental philosopher.” Unpremeditated philosophy is philosophy made sociable—brought down from the heavens to the street, where it might be engaged in by a wider audience. In the same philosophical act, Montaigne both transforms philosophy and invents “society,” a distinctly modern form of association. Through this transformation, a new, modern character emerges: the individual, who is neither master nor slave and who possesses the new virtues of integrity and generosity. In Montaigne’s radically new philosophical project, Hartle finds intimations of both modern epistemology and modern political philosophy.

ANN HARTLE is a professor of philosophy at Emory University in Atlanta. She is the author of Michel de Montaigne: Accidental Philosopher (2003); Self-Knowledge in the Age of Theory (1996); Death and the Disinterested Spectator: An Inquiry into the Nature of Philosophy (1985); and The Modern Self in Rousseau’s Confessions: A Reply to St. Augustine (1983).
Faithful Translators
Authorship, Gender, and Religion in Early Modern England
Jaime Goodrich

With *Faithful Translators* Jaime Goodrich offers the first in-depth examination of women’s devotional translations and of religious translations in general within early modern England. Placing female translators such as Queen Elizabeth I and Mary Sidney Herbert, Countess of Pembroke, alongside their male counterparts, such as Sir Thomas More and Sir Philip Sidney, Goodrich argues that both male and female translators constructed authorial poses that allowed their works to serve four distinct cultural functions: creating privacy, spreading propaganda, providing counsel, and representing religious groups. Ultimately, *Faithful Translators* calls for a reconsideration of the apparent simplicity of “faithful” translations and aims to reconfigure perceptions of early modern authorship, translation, and women writers.

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RETHINKING THE EARLY MODERN
SERIES EDITORS: MARCUS KELLER AND ELLEN M CLURE
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The Body in Mystery
The Political Theology of the Corpus Mysticum in the Literature of Reformation England
Jennifer R. Rust

In *The Body in Mystery* Jennifer R. Rust engages the political concept of the mystical body of the commonwealth, the corpus mysticum of the medieval church. Rust argues that the communitarian ideal of sacramental sociality had a far longer afterlife than has been previously assumed. Reviving a critical discussion of the German historian Ernst Kantorowicz’s 1957 masterwork, *The King’s Two Bodies: A Study in Mediaeval Political Theology*, Rust brings to bear the latest scholarship. Her book expands the representation of the corpus mysticum through a range of literary genres as well as religious polemics and political discourses. Rust reclaims the concept as an essential category of social value and historical understanding for the imaginative life of literature from Reformation England. *The Body in Mystery* provides new ways of appreciating the always rich and sometimes difficult continuities between the secular and sacred in early modern England, and between the premodern and early modern periods.

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**CHARLOTTE ANN MELIN** is a professor of German at the University of Minnesota–Twin Cities. She is the author of *Poetic Maneuvers: Hans Magnus Enzensberger and the Lyric Genre* (Northwestern, 2003) and the editor of *German Poetry in Transition, 1945–1990* (1999).

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Rodolphe Gasché

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Sculpture and Literature in the German Nineteenth Century
Catriona MacLeod

In *Fugitive Objects*, Catriona MacLeod examines the question of why sculpture is both intensively discussed and yet rendered immaterial in German literature. She focuses on three forms of disappearance: sculpture's vanishing as a legitimate art form at the beginning of the nineteenth century in German aesthetics, statues' migration from the domain of high art into mass reproduction and popular culture, and sculpture's dislodging and relocation into literary discourse. Through original readings of Clemens Brentano, Achim von Arnim, Adalbert Stifter, Leopold von Sacher-Masoch, and others, MacLeod reveals that if sculpture has disappeared from much of nineteenth-century German literature and aesthetics, it is a vanishing act that paradoxically relocates the statue back onto another cultural pedestal, attesting to the powerful force of the medium.

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The Aesthetics of Destruction in Twentieth-Century German Literature
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Accounts of rape, murder, mutilation, and torture run like a bloodied thread through modernist literature in the German language. Previous accounts of German literary modernism have linked its fascination with violent destruction either to the militant avant-garde on the left or to fascist modernism on the right. Critics have noted that high modernists depicted violence through its impact on their own victimized protagonists. But by minimizing and ignoring the often disturbing attraction to aggression in the works of Franz Kafka and others, these prevalent readings have filtered out much of the provocative and productive potential of German modernism.

Kai Evers's *Violent Modernists: The Aesthetics of Destruction in Twentieth-Century German Literature* develops a new understanding of German modernism that moves beyond the oversimplified dichotomy of an avant-garde prone to aggression on the one hand and a modernism opposed to violence on the other. Analyzing works by Robert Musil, Franz Kafka, Karl Kraus, Walter Benjamin, Elias Canetti, and others, Evers argues that these authors are among the most innovative thinkers on violence and its impact on contemporary concepts of the self, history, and society.

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Husserl and the Constitution of Subjectivity

Jooná Taiapale

At the dawn of the modern era, philosophers reinterpreted their subject as the study of consciousness, pushing the body to the margins of philosophy. With the arrival of Husserlian thought in the late nineteenth century, the body was once again understood to be part of the transcendental field. And yet, despite the enormous influence of Husserl's phenomenology, the role of “embodiment” in the broader philosophical landscape remains largely unresolved. In his ambitious debut book, *Phenomenology and Embodiment*, Jooná Taiapale tackles the Husserlian concept—also engaging the thought of Maurice Merleau-Ponty, Jean-Paul Sartre, and Michel Henry—with a comprehensive and systematic phenomenological investigation into the role of embodiment in the constitution of self-awareness, intersubjectivity, and objective reality. In doing so, he contributes a detailed clarification of the fundamental constitutive role of embodiment in the basic relations of subjectivity.

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German Political Theory After 1945

Jakob Norberg

Sociability and Its Enemies contributes both to contemporary studies of political theory and to discourse on postwar Germany by reconstructing the arguments concerning the nature and value of sociability as a form of interaction and interconnection particular to modern bourgeois society. Jakob Norberg argues that the writings of Hannah Arendt, Jürgen Habermas, Carl Schmitt, and the historian Reinhart Koselleck present conflicting responses to a hitherto neglected question or point of contention: whether bourgeois sociability should serve as a therapeutic practice and politically relevant ideal for postwar Germany. The book sheds light on previously neglected historical and conceptual connections among political theorists, and it enriches established narratives of postwar intellectual history.

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**The Novel in the Age of Disintegration**

Dostoevsky and the Problem of Genre in the 1870s

Kate Holland

Scholars have long been fascinated by the creative struggles with genre manifested throughout Dostoevsky’s career. In *The Novel in the Age of Disintegration*, Kate Holland brings historical context to bear, showing that Dostoevsky wanted to use the form of the novel as a means of depicting disintegration brought on by various crises in Russian society in the 1860s. This required him to reinvent the genre. At the same time he sought to infuse his novels with the capacity to inspire belief in social and spiritual reintegration, so he returned to some older conventions of a society that was already becoming outmoded. In thoughtful readings of *Demons*, *The Adolescent*, *A Writer’s Diary*, and *The Brothers Karamazov*, Holland delineates Dostoevsky’s struggle to adapt a genre to the reality of the present, with all its upheavals, while maintaining a utopian vision of Russia’s future mission.

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Women with a Thirst for Destruction
*The Bad Mother in Russian Culture*

Jenny Kaminer

In Russian culture, the archetypal mother is noble and self-sacrificing. In *Women with a Thirst for Destruction*, however, Jenny Kaminer shows how this image is destabilized during periods of dramatic rupture in Russian society, examining in detail the aftermath of three key moments in the country’s history: the emancipation of the serfs in 1861, the Russian Revolution of 1917, and the fall of the Communist regime in 1991. She explores works both familiar and relatively unexamined: Leo Tolstoy’s *Anna Karenina*, Mikhail Saltykov-Shchedrin’s *The Golovlev Family*, Fyodor Gladkov’s *Cement*, and Liudmila Petrushevskaia’s *The Time: Night*, as well as a late Soviet film (Vyacheslav Krishtofovich’s *Adam’s Rib*, 1990) and media coverage of the Chechen conflict. Kaminer’s book speaks broadly to the mutability of seemingly established cultural norms in the face of political and social upheaval.

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