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May 5, 2020

I DON’T EXPECT ANYONE TO BELIEVE ME
Juan Pablo Villalobos
Translated by Daniel Hahn

New from the author of Down the Rabbit Hole

“My cousin calls me up and says: I want to introduce you to my business partners.”

A Mexican student called Juan Pablo Villalobos arrives in Barcelona. He’s there on a scholarship—and, rather less willingly, on a mission given to him by pot-bellied thugs in Guadalajara, who kidnapped him from a bookshop, killed his cousin, and commandeered his postdoc.

A mash-up of the campus novel with the gangster thriller, Villalobos takes a satirical, sidelong look at immigration in Europe with inimitable wit. Winner of Spain’s prestigious Herralde Prize, I Don’t Expect Anyone to Believe Me is Villalobos at his clever, comic best.

Praise for Juan Pablo Villalobos

“Comic capers abound . . . savagely funny.” Lili Wright, New York Times

“Villalobos is a kind of miniature Proust . . . The affable I’ll Sell You a Dog finds lost time not in grand narratives but in the idle chatter of neighbors.” Publishers Weekly

“Funny, convincing, appalling . . . a punch-packer.” Ali Smith

May 12, 2020

ENDLAND
Tim Etchells

“Kings, lords, liars, usherettes, goal-hangers, gun-men and prostitutes, Whether or not these stories bear any relation to life as it is lived in Endland (sic) is not my problem and good riddance to all those who prefer to read about truly good, lucky and nice people – you won’t like this crap at all.”

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the guitarist said: do you remember?
Waiting by the canal, a young cellist meets a junkie, high and drifting. He gives him
twenty krona and they exchange a few words; the encounter is unremarkable. Yet
for the cellist – who grew up a poor immigrant in the outskirts of Malmö, and who
lost friends and family to drug abuse, crime and death – a barrier in his mind has
collapsed, and he leaves the canal chased by a creeping floodtide of memories, all of
which threaten to drag him back to where he came from.
Tearing through sprawling social housing estates, basement clubs and squat
parties, Wretchedness is a tumultuous and raging journey into the underbelly of
Europe. With a rhythmic, mesmerising flow, Tichy probes the bittersweet pleasures
of escaping one’s origins, and of loving one’s neighbour without question – even
when that neighbour is an addict, a criminal, wretched.

What can a survivor do with their history? Can you be loyal to
the friends you left behind? Andrzej Tichý’s polyphonic novel has a
rough, rhythmic melody and a ferocious rage.
August Prize Judges
Few contemporary Swedish authors can compete with Tichý ... His
prose rushes forward, roaring with, if you will, dark poetry, hurling
its rage at an indifferent present. Wretchedness is a furious novel.
Ann Lingebrandt, Sydsvenska Dagbladet

A precise and devastating account that peers into the dark mouths of the El
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Yuri Herrera teaches at the University of Tulane, New Orleans. His first novel
to appear in English, Signs Preceding the End of the World, won the 2016 Best
Translated Book Award. Further acclaim
followed for The Transmigration of Bodies and Kingdom Cons.
Lisa Dillman teaches at Emory
University, Atlanta, Georgia.

New from the bestselling author of Signs Preceding the End of the World

“Silence is not the absence of history, it’s a history hidden beneath shapes
that must be deciphered.”

1920, Pachuca, Mexico. A fire in the El Bordo mine has claimed 87 lives, and a US
mining interest may have been guilty of murder. A century later, Yuri Herrera has
reconstructed what is, for him, a defining tragedy of his home town, bringing his
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“Yuri Herrera’s writing style is like nobody else’s, a unique turn of language,
a kind of poetic slang . . . seeming to fall in my hands from an alternative
sky.” Patti Smith

“Short, suspenseful . . . outlandish and heartbreaking”
John Williams, New York Times

Andrzej Tichy’s latest novel Wretchedness was
shortlisted for the 2016 August Prize, the most
prestigious literary prize in Sweden.
Nichola Smalley is a translator from Swedish
and Danish and also works at And Other
Stories.

June 2, 2020

ANDRZEJ TICHÝ

WRETCHEDNESS

June 16, 2020

YURI HERRERA

A SILENT FURY

The El Bordo Mine Fire

Translated by Nichola Smalley

Translated by Lisa Dillman
This enigmatic novel, from one of Britain's most important writers of the post-war avant-garde, explores suicide, marriage and class.

S has disappeared from Ruth and Leonard's home in Brighton. Suicide is suspected. The couple, who had been spying on their young lodger since before the trouble, begin to pour over her diary, her audio recordings and her movies - only to discover that she had been spying on them with even greater intensity. As this disturbing, highly charged act of reciprocal voyeurism comes to light, and as the couple's fascination with S comes to dominate their already flawed marriage, what emerges is an unnerving and absorbing portrait of the taboos, emotional and sexual, that broke behind the closed doors of 1950s British life.

"A vivid, supple prose flashing with insights."
Daniel Stern,
The New York Times Book Review

Praise for Ann Quin
"Ann Quin is a master painter of interiors, of voices that mosaic as they catch the light at strange, stirring angles."
Chloe Aridjis

"One of the few mid-century British novelists who actually, in the long term, matter."
Tom McCarthy

Ann Quin (1936-1973) was at the forefront of British experimentalism in the 1960s along with BS Johnson and Alan Burns. Prior to her death she published four novels: Berg (1964), Three (1966), Passages (1969) and Tripticks (1972). A collection of short stories and the fragment of her last unfinished novel, The Unmapped Country (edited by Jennifer Hodgson), was published by And Other Stories to great acclaim in 2018. Quin's novel Berg was republished by And Other Stories in 2019.

An underemployed chef is pulled into the escalating violence of his neighbour's makeshift porn channel. An elderly piano student is forced to flee her home village when word gets out that she had sex with her thirty-something teacher. A hose pumping cava through the maquette of a giant penis becomes a murder weapon in the hands of a disaffected housewife.

In this collection, Lina Wolff gleefully wrenches unpredictability from the suffocations of day-to-day life, shatters balances of power without warning, and strips her characters down to their strangest and most unstable selves. Wicked, discomfiting, delightful and wry, delivered with the deadly wit for which Wolff is known, Many People Die Like You presents the uneasy spectacle of people in solitude, and probes, with savage honesty, the choices we make when we believe no one is watching ... or when we no longer care.

"[This] is storytelling as a martial arts combination move, delivered with precision, style and glee."
Sjón

"Firing on all cylinders from beginning to end, this story pulses with intellect and vitality unmatched by the literary barons it deposes."
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SLASH AND BURN
Claudia Hernández
Translated by Julia Sanches

A country girl sees her village sacked and her beloved father disappear. She escapes to the mountains to join the guerrillas, and later searches for the daughter they forced her to give up. Denouncing the ruthless machismo of combat with quiet intelligence, Slash and Burn creates a suspenseful, slow-burning revelation of rural life in the aftermath of political trauma.

“Claudia Hernández’s prose is the controlled breathing of someone who knows that memory is another battlefield.”
Yuri Herrera

“There is a surreal, dreamlike quality to this story ... it abounds with memories of violence told in a third person bordering on the first, both because of the randomness of events depicted and the naivety and warmth of the language that recounts the almost childlike aspects of the war, always through eyes and a voice that are, above all, feminine.” The Spanish Bookstage

Claudia Hernández is the highly acclaimed author of five short story collections and two novels. She won the prestigious Juan Rulfo Prize in 1998 and was one of Hay’s Bogota 39 authors in 2007.

Julia Sanches translates from Portuguese, Spanish, and Catalan and lives in Providence, Rhode Island. Her translations include Now and at the Hour of Our Death by Susana Moreira Marques.

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Will Evans, Deep Vellum Publishing

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