

A Moth To The Flame The Story Of The Great Sufi

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Mason...They took my girl, my heart, my soul, my whole damn world! It would be their biggest mistake. I was going to set their world on fire and piss on the ashes! I'd do anything and kill anyone for my girl, my Reagan.Reagan...Being trapped in a nightmare does weird things to your mind. Especially, when you realize it's a nightmare you're unable to wake up from. The scariest part is, I don't know if I want to be rescued... or just die.

True Stories About Facing the Unknown

A Roth Sisters Adventure

A Moth to the Flame

A Novel

Moths to the Flame

Love should burn slowly, but with Ezra "Ethic" Okafor it is always fleeting. After an accidental killing affects Alani, the woman he loves, she thinks he's a monster. Separated by tragedy, the pair endure a loss like nothing they have ever felt and their connection is impossible to repair. Ethic is reduced to misery and raising his children alone once again. With Morgan in the throes of a passionate love affair and Bella in need of guidance that he can't provide, Ethic is in turmoil. He's failing as a man and the fingerprint he is leaving on the world is a bloody one. In this second installment of this epic love story, Ashley Antoinette taps into the soul of her readers as she explores the limits of love and forgiveness. Is anything truly unforgivable? Or is Ethic the one man who can love a woman back from the edge of madness. Ashley Antoinette is one of the most prolific and successful writers of her generation. The feminine half of the popular duo (Ashley and JaQuavis) she has co-written over forty novels. She is most widely regarded for her racy, New York Times Best Selling series, The Prada Plan. To stay updated on all things Ashley follow her on social media. Instagram: @AshleyAntoinette Facebook: facebook.com/authorashleyantoinetteTwitter: @Novelista

A search for Darwin's "missing evidence" chronicles the jealousies, rivalries, and emotional turmoil behind the twentieth-century's most famous evolutionary biology experiment.

Danger isn't Zoey's middle name. But it is something she can't forget, something she's reminded of every time she looks in the mirror. For those reasons, Zoey has become an expert at creating the perfect illusion. Her ability to fool the eye, to create truth where there was previously none makes her the best in the business. Working as a makeup and special effects artist for Hollywood combines her two life must-haves: her passion for makeup and hiding in plain sight. It also doesn't hurt that she's safe within the heavily secured and secret studio sets, away from the public eye. Then her perfect job becomes her perfect nightmare. Not only does her illusion slip with the blast of icy water, but it does so in front of the country's biggest action hero

and the gossippiest of celebrity TV shows. At first, Zoey thinks danger hasn't caught up to her and the worst thing about her mishap is the world's most perfect man sees her in all her not-so-perfect glory. Until a series of unexplained "accidents" begins on set. That's when Zoey knows. Danger has caught up to her... and this time she fears death has, too.

The third book in the dark and addictive Woody Creek series from bestselling Australian author Joy Dettman "She trips the fine line of pleasure and pain that makes her a compulsive read ... Brilliant." Sun Herald In *Moth to the Flame*, Joy Dettman returns with another dazzling tale of the unforgettable characters of Woody Creek. The year is 1946. The war ended five months ago. Jim Hooper, Jenny Morrison's only love, was lost to that war. And if not for Jenny, he would never have gone. "An eye for an eye," Vern Hooper says. An unforgiving man, Vern wants custody of Jenny's son, his only grandson, and is quietly planning his day in court. Then Jenny's father Archie Foote swoops back into town. Archie offers Jenny a tantalising chance at fame and fortune; one way or another he is determined to play a part in her life. Is Jenny's luck about to change, or is she drawn to trouble like a moth is drawn to the flame? "A story of love and loss, *Moth to the Flame* captures the reader's attention on the first page and sustains it to a satisfying conclusion." Daily Examiner "Dettman is an effortless, assured and accessible storyteller ... [this] is her most ambitious saga yet" The Saturday Age Fans of Rosalie Ham's *The Dressmaker* will love Joy Dettman.

Moth Smoke

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Evolutionary Machine Learning Techniques

Proceedings of the International Conference on Advanced Intelligent Systems and Informatics 2017

A Friends-To-Lovers Romance

When the project Charlie is working on--the dangerous Project Demon--falls into the hands of a madman and innocent people begin dying, Charlie must race to prevent an absolute bloodbath

This book gathers the proceedings of the 3rd International Conference on Advanced Intelligent Systems and Informatics 2017 (AISI2017), which took place in Cairo, Egypt from September 9 to 11, 2017. This international and interdisciplinary conference, which highlighted essential research and developments in the field of informatics and intelligent systems, was organized by the Scientific Research Group in Egypt (SRGE). The book's content is divided into five main sections: Intelligent Language Processing, Intelligent Systems, Intelligent Robotics Systems, Informatics, and the Internet of Things.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The definitive guide to telling an unforgettable story in any setting, drawing on twenty-five years of experience from the storytelling experts at The Moth "From toasts to eulogies, from job interviews to social events, this book will help you with ideas, structure, delivery and more."—CNN Over the past twenty-five years, the directors of The Moth have worked with people from all walks of life—including astronauts, hairdressers, rock stars, a retired pickpocket, high school students, and Nobel Prize winners—to develop true personal stories that have moved and delighted live audiences and listeners of The Moth's Peabody Award-winning radio hour and podcast. A leader in the modern storytelling movement, The Moth

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inspires thousands of people around the globe to share their stories each year. Now, with How to Tell a Story, The Moth will help you learn how to uncover and craft your own unique stories, like Moth storytellers Mike Birbiglia, Rosanne Cash, Neil Gaiman, Elizabeth Gilbert, Padma Lakshmi, Darryl "DMC" McDaniels, Hasan Minhaj, Tig Notaro, Boots Riley, Betty Reid Soskin, John Turturro, and more. Whether your goal is to make it to the Moth stage, deliver the perfect wedding toast, wow clients at a business dinner, give a moving eulogy, ace a job interview, be a hit at parties, change the world, or simply connect more deeply to those around you, stories are essential. Sharing secrets of The Moth's time-honed process and using examples from beloved storytellers, a team of Moth directors will show you how to

- mine your memories for your best stories*
- explore structures that will boost the impact of your story*
- deliver your stories with confidence*
- tailor your stories for any occasion*

Filled with empowering, easy-to-follow tips for crafting stories that forge lasting bonds with friends, family, and colleagues alike, this book will help you connect authentically with the world around you and unleash the power of story in your life.

"[This] is a book of great richness, beauty and power and thus very difficult to do justice to in a brief review...The violence is sometimes unbearable, the language rarely less than superb. Dillard's description of the moth's death makes Virginia Woolf's go dim and Edwardian. Nature seen so clear and hard that the eyes tear...A rare and precious book." – Freferick Buechner, New York Times Book Review

From Pulitzer Prize-winning Annie Dillard, a book about the grace, beauty, and terror of the natural world. In the mid 1970s, Annie Dillard spent two years on an island in Puget Sound in a room with a solitary window, a cat, and a spider for company, asking herself questions about memory, time, sacrifice, reality, death, and God. Holy the Firm, the diary-like collection of her thoughts, feelings, and ruminations during this time, is a lyrical gift to any reader who have ever wondered how best to live with grace and wonder in the natural world.

Of Moths and Men

A Burnt Child

Moth to the Flame

The Jim Reeves Story

An Evolutionary Tale : the Untold Story of Science and the Peppered Moth

In a working-class neighbourhood in 1940s Stockholm, a young man named Bengt falls into deep, private turmoil with the unexpected death of his mother. As he struggles to cope with her loss, his despair slowly transforms to rage when he discovers that his father had a mistress. Bengt swears revenge on behalf of his mother's memory, but he soon finds himself drawn into a fevered and forbidden affair with the very woman he set out to destroy . . . Written in a taut, restrained style, *A Moth to a Flame* is an intense exploration of heartache and fury, desperation and illicit passion. Set against a backdrop of the moody streets of Stockholm and the Hitchcockian shadows in the woods and waters of Sweden's remote islands, this is a psychological masterpiece by one of Sweden's greatest writers.

This book provides an in-depth analysis of the current evolutionary machine learning techniques.

Discussing the most highly regarded methods for classification, clustering, regression, and prediction, it

includes techniques such as support vector machines, extreme learning machines, evolutionary feature selection, artificial neural networks including feed-forward neural networks, multi-layer perceptron, probabilistic neural networks, self-optimizing neural networks, radial basis function networks, recurrent neural networks, spiking neural networks, neuro-fuzzy networks, modular neural networks, physical neural networks, and deep neural networks. The book provides essential definitions, literature reviews, and the training algorithms for machine learning using classical and modern nature-inspired techniques. It also investigates the pros and cons of classical training algorithms. It features a range of proven and recent nature-inspired algorithms used to train different types of artificial neural networks, including genetic algorithm, ant colony optimization, particle swarm optimization, grey wolf optimizer, whale optimization algorithm, ant lion optimizer, moth flame algorithm, dragonfly algorithm, salp swarm algorithm, multi-verse optimizer, and sine cosine algorithm. The book also covers applications of the improved artificial neural networks to solve classification, clustering, prediction and regression problems in diverse fields.

Angst! Adrenaline! Sexy times! The Peer and the Puppet had me salivating for MORE! My favorite since Fear Me. -- Tijan, NYT Bestselling author THE PUPPET Borrow the bike. Win the race. Collect the cash. It should've been an easy job. Ran out of town with a broken leg and a lawsuit, my mother's latest flame swoops in like a knight in gilded armor. Blackwood Keep is a place I don't belong, and I'm not the only one who knows. To the boy across the hall, my savior's only son, I'm a stray looking for a bone. He's lord of the manor. King of the academy. And number one on my shit list. THE PEER I have no intentions of becoming a happy family with the social climber and her wild daughter. A bottle of Jameson and a cracked skull gets my problem shipped to reform school, but I didn't bank on her returning. Four's out to get even, and she almost had the perfect plan: expose the privileged kid moonlighting as a gangbanger. She's smart, but she'll have to be smarter. Sending her away won't be good enough this time. I'm going to have to tame the little troublemaker. To the girl across the hall, the one without a name, I'm nothing without my silver spoon. She's lady of the trailer park. Queen of the swamps. And my new favorite pastime. Alternate Cover Edition. The Peer and the Puppet is an interconnected standalone and book one of the When Rivals Play series. Content suitable for 18+.

This book, compiles, presents, and explains the most important meta-heuristic and evolutionary optimization algorithms whose successful performance has been proven in different fields of engineering, and it includes application of these algorithms to important engineering optimization problems. In addition, this book guides readers to studies that have implemented these algorithms by providing a literature review on developments and applications of each algorithm. This book is intended for students, but can be used by researchers and professionals in the area of engineering optimization.

A True Story of Love, War, and Everest

The Peer and the Puppet

Like a Moth to a Flame

The Life of Edna St. Vincent Millay

The Moth Presents All These Wonders

Unlike their gaudy day-flying cousins, moths seem to reside in the shadows as denizens of the night, circling around streetlights or caught momentarily in the glare of headlights on a country lane. As Matthew Gandy demonstrates in this book, however, there are many more species of day-flying moths than there are butterflies, and many rival butterflies in a dazzling range of markings. Gandy shows that the study of moths formed an integral part of early natural history. Many thousands of drawings, paintings, and physical specimens remain in museum collections, and in recent years there has been a renewed surge of interest facilitated by advances in digital photography, the internet, and new cartographic projects that have enabled direct collaboration between amateur experts and scientific research projects. He explores the rich history of vernacular names, which speaks to a significant place for moths in early cultures of nature. Names such as the Merveille-du-Jour, the Green Brindled Crescent, or the Clifden Nonpareil evoke a sense of wonder that connects disparate fields such as folklore, the history of place, and

early scientific texts. With wingspans ranging in size from a few millimetres to nearly a foot, moths display an extraordinary diversity of evolutionary adaptations, which Gandy captures here. The debut novel from the internationally bestselling author of *Exit West* and *The Reluctant Fundamentalist*, both shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize *Moth Smoke*, Mohsin Hamid's deftly conceived first novel, immediately marked him as an uncommonly gifted and ambitious young literary talent to watch when it was published in 2000. It tells the story of Daru Shezad, who, fired from his banking job in Lahore, begins a decline that plummets the length of Hamid's sharply drawn, subversive tale. Fast-paced and unexpected, *Moth Smoke* was ahead of its time in portraying a contemporary Pakistan far more vivid and complex than the exoticized images of South Asia then familiar to the West. It established Mohsin Hamid as an internationally important writer of substance and imagination and the premier Pakistani author of our time, a promise he has amply fulfilled with each successive book. This debut novel, meanwhile, remains as compelling and deeply relevant to the moment as when it appeared more than a decade ago. After the international success of his collection of World War II newspaper articles, *German Autumn*—a book that solidified his status as the most promising and exciting writer in Sweden—Stig Dagerman was sent to France with an assignment to produce more in this journalistic style. But he could not write the much-awaited follow-up. Instead, he holed up in a small French village and in the summer of 1948 created what would be his most personal, poignant, and shocking novel: *A Burnt Child*. Set in a working-class neighborhood in Stockholm, the story revolves around a young man named Bengt who falls into deep, private turmoil with the unexpected death of his mother. As he struggles to cope with her loss, his despair slowly transforms to rage when he discovers his father had a mistress. But as Bengt swears revenge on behalf of his mother's memory, he also finds himself drawn into a fevered and conflicted relationship with this woman—a turn that causes him to question his previous faith in morality, virtue, and fidelity. Written in a taut and beautifully naturalistic tone, Dagerman illuminates the rich atmospheres of Bengt's life, both internal and eternal: from his heartache and fury to the moody streets of Stockholm and the Hitchcockian shadows of tension and threat in the woods and waters of Sweden's remote islands. *A Burnt Child* remains Dagerman's most widely read novel, both in Sweden and worldwide, and is one of the crowning works of his short but celebrated career.

Four, Ever, and the rest of the Blackwood Keep crew are back in this second installment! THE FLAME Here lies Louchana Valentine. She was a homeless, orphaned virgin. I never cared what my gravestone would say until I landed in deep with a powerful gangster. Lucky for me, my best friend happens to be ruthless too. I should feel guilty that he's forced to turn on the man who's been a father to him. Except I've always known that Wren's soul wasn't as black as he claimed. He was good. He was beautiful. He was mine. He just didn't know it yet. And with Wren keeping me safe, I've got time left to rewrite the end of my story. But if he has his way, virgin is already carved in stone. THE MOTH I've never known anyone as alluring as Lou. Or as frustrating. Since the night she saved my life and stole my wallet for her troubles, I couldn't stay away. She became my onus. My light. My...anyway. With nowhere to run, I'm forced to trust someone I never expected. At least with Lou safe in Blackwood Keep--far away from me--I'll die with my conscience intact. Because she no longer looks at me with friendship in her eyes. Those iridescent blues shine with a different need entirely, and I've never been able to deny her. Alternate Cover Edition. *The Moth and the Flame* is an interconnected standalone and book two of the *When Rivals Play* series. It's recommended you start with *The Peer and the Puppet*. Content suitable for ages 18+.

Me (Moth)

A Wrath & the Dawn Short Story

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I was almost killed by a delusional murderer five months ago. Since then, the recurring nightmares, creepy hallucinations and overpowering fear are gone. That's good, right? I mean, no one in their right minds wants to feel like that. I am starting to wonder if I'm in my right mind anymore... When a lady in my neighborhood died, I couldn't help but stick my nose in, to see what happened. I should just get on with things-I've got some new friends, and a cool boy named Chris has taken an interest in me. Everyone is telling me to just leave this weird murder alone. But I can't stop myself. The more I find out about her death, the more twisted everything is. I think there's a predator in Narrowdale. And now it's hunting me...What have I gotten myself into?

*Thirty years after the smashing success of *Zelda*, Nancy Milford returns with a stunning second act. *Savage Beauty* is the portrait of a passionate, fearless woman who obsessed American ever as she tormented herself. If F. Scott Fitzgerald was the hero of the Jazz Age, Edna St. Vincent Millay, as flamboyant in her love affairs as she was in her art, was its heroine. The first woman ever to win the Pulitzer Prize, Millay was dazzling in the performance of herself. Her voice was likened to an instrument of seduction and her impact on crowds, and on men, was legendary. Yet beneath her studied act, all was not well. Milford calls her book "a family romance"—for the love between the three Millay sisters and their mother was so deep as to be dangerous. As a family, they were like real-life *Little Women*, with a touch of *Mommie Dearest*. Nancy Milford was given exclusive access to Millay's papers, and what she found was an extraordinary treasure. Boxes and boxes of letter flew back and forth among the three sisters and their mother—and Millay kept the most intimate diary, one whose ruthless honesty brings to mind Sylvia Plath. Written with passion and flair, *Savage Beauty* is an iconic portrait of a woman's life.*

#1 New York Times Bestseller 2014 NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FINALIST
In her first memoir, New Yorker cartoonist Roz Chast brings her signature wit to the topic of aging parents. Spanning the last several years of their lives and told through four-color cartoons, family photos, and documents, and a narrative as rife with laughs as it is with tears, Chast's memoir is both comfort and comic relief for anyone experiencing the life-altering loss of elderly parents. When it came to her elderly mother and father, Roz held to the practices of denial, avoidance, and distraction. But when Elizabeth Chast climbed a ladder to locate an old souvenir from the "crazy closet"—with predictable results—the tools that had served Roz well through her parents' seventies, eighties, and into their early nineties could no

longer be deployed. While the particulars are Chast-ian in their idiosyncrasies-an anxious father who had relied heavily on his wife for stability as he slipped into dementia and a former assistant principal mother whose overbearing personality had sidelined Roz for decades-the themes are universal: adult children accepting a parental role; aging and unstable parents leaving a family home for an institution; dealing with uncomfortable physical intimacies; managing logistics; and hiring strangers to provide the most personal care. An amazing portrait of two lives at their end and an only child coping as best she can, Can't We Talk about Something More Pleasant will show the full range of Roz Chast's talent as cartoonist and storyteller.

The Mystic Order of East Alabama Fiction Writers is a group of six women who have met the first Wednesday of every month for over a decade to read each others' work and enjoy good food and drink. Their first collection, Be The Flame, was well received. This updated second edition of Be The Flame (Not The Moth) contains additional writing from each of the five Mystic authors: Joanne Camp, Marian Carcache, Mary Dansak, Gail Langley, Judith Nunn, and new illustrations from Mystic artist Margee Bright-Ragland.

The Moth and the Flame

A Moth and a Flame

Can't We Talk about Something More Pleasant?

The Life of the Sufi Poet Rumi

Algorithms and Applications

Wishing she were a butterfly, a moth princess follows the advice of a raven who tells her to fly into a candle flame.

En route to join her fiance in Australia, Regan dreams of the coming reunion. However, Zack Casey watches her, his eyes filled with desire. Determined to possess her, he lures her father into the gambler's hall and, at the throw of the dice, wins her. Forced to travel with Zach, Regan earns for the love she has lost."

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"Wonderful." —Michiko Kakutani, *New York Times* Celebrating the 20th anniversary of storytelling phenomenon *The Moth*, 45 unforgettable true stories about risk, courage, and facing the unknown, drawn from the best ever told on their stages Carefully selected by the creative minds at *The Moth*, and adapted to the page to preserve the raw energy of live storytelling, *All These Wonders* features voices both familiar and new. Alongside Meg Wolitzer, John Turturro, Tig Notaro, and Hasan Minhaj, readers will encounter: an astronomer gazing at the surface of Pluto for the first time, an Afghan refugee learning how much her father sacrificed to save their family, a hip-hop star coming to terms with being a "one-hit wonder," a young female spy risking everything as part of Churchill's "secret army" during World War II, and more. High-school student and neuroscientist alike, the storytellers share their ventures into uncharted territory—and how their lives were changed indelibly by what they discovered there. With passion, and humor, they encourage us all to be more open, vulnerable, and alive.

How to Tell a Story

The Moth and the Mountain

The Moth & the Flame

A High School Bully Romance

A Fatal Attraction

A debut YA novel-in-verse by Amber McBride, *Me (Moth)* is about a teen girl who is grieving the deaths of her family, and a teen boy who crosses her path. Moth has lost her family in an accident. Though she lives with her aunt, she feels alone and uprooted. Until she meets Sani, a boy who is also searching for his roots. If he knows more about where he comes from, maybe he'll be able to understand his ongoing depression. And if Moth can help him feel grounded, then perhaps she will discover the history she carries in her bones. Moth and Sani take a road trip that has them chasing ghosts and searching for ancestors. The way each moves forward is surprising, powerful, and unforgettable. Here is an exquisite and uplifting novel about identity, first love, and the way that our memories and our roots steer us through the universe.

In the little city of Flint, MI, the good die young and the people left standing are the grimmest characters. With reign over the city's drug trade, Benjamin Atkins made sure that his precious daughter, Raven, was secluded from the grit that the city had to offer. But when Raven's young heart gets claimed by Mizan, a stick-up kid in search of a come-up, there's nothing Benjamin can do about losing her to the streets. She chooses love over loyalty and runs off with Mizan, but her new role as wifey soon proves to be more than she can handle. Puppy love always feels right, but things turn stale, and she soon finds that everyone she loves has disappeared. All she has is Mizan, but when hugs and kisses turn to bloody lips and black eyes, she realizes that Mizan is not who she thought he was. Raven becomes desperate for a way out, but this time, Daddy can't save her. Every time she finds the courage to leave, fear convinces her to stay. Like a moth to a flame, Raven is drawn to Mizan, even though she knows he'll be the death of her. When the hood life she chose becomes unbearable and the only way out is in a coffin, what will she do?

"In the 1930s, as official government expeditions set their sights on conquering Mount Everest, a little-known World War I veteran named Maurice Wilson conceives his own crazy, beautiful plan: he will fly a plane from England to Everest, crash-land on its lower slopes, then become the first person to reach its summit--all utterly alone. Wilson doesn't know how to climb. He barely knows how to fly. But he has the right plane, the right equipment, and a deep yearning to achieve his goal. In 1933, he takes off from London in a Gipsy Moth biplane with his course set for the highest mountain on earth. Wilson's eleven-month journey to Everest is wild: full of twists, turns, and danger. Eventually, in disguise, he sneaks into Tibet. His icy ordeal is just beginning."--Provided by publisher.

A Moth and A Flame tells the enchanting story of May and Johann, who live on the 3rd floor of a walk-up in Greenwich Village. May has never felt like she fit in, and feels that somehow she is different. Little does she know that she is a Siddhe Witch and is being stalked by a Daayan named Jurusha. Johann will protect May with his life, if it must come down to that.

Advanced Optimization by Nature-Inspired Algorithms

A Moth to a Flame

Be the Flame Not the Moth

Holy the Firm

Savage Beauty

*"For two decades now I've been awaiting a book explaining computers and their social consequences to literate readers without using any unnecessary jargon or pedantry--or math. I wanted such a book to lend to all those friends who've pestered me about computers and to all the computer science students who've asked me about computers over the years. I particularly wanted a book that I could buy for my father, who's an accountant of the old school, to explain something of the mysterious world I live in." Gregory Rawlins, who teaches artificial intelligence at Indiana University, got tired of waiting for that book and decided to write it himself. In *Moths to the Flame* he takes us on a humorous yet thought-provoking tour of the world wrought by modern technology, a technology, he points out, that is rooted deep inside the military: a technology that when applied to everyday life, may have startling results. Unlike space technology, today's technological race won't simply bring us Tang-flavored Velcro. Rawlins educates by entertaining. His stories and anecdotes enliven and surprise us while increasing our awareness of technology itself as a player in the political and commercial climate of our times. In our headlong rush toward networked humanity Rawlins raises serious concerns about our future jobs and our future wars: we can figure out what kind of job to get today if we know where technology is taking us tomorrow. The book's first four chapters explore the worlds of privacy, virtual reality, publishing, and computer networks, while the last four focus on social issues such as warfare, jobs, computer catastrophes, and the future itself. Throughout unusual, eye-opening analogies and historical comparisons--from Egyptian hieroglyphics to the sewing machine to the codebreakers of World War II--give us a context for the computer age, showing how new technologies have always bred intertwined hope and resistance. Provocative yet balanced and sophisticated, *Moths to the Flame* is an indispensable guidebook to the future: a Baedeker for the Brave New World. A Bradford Book*

In the first historical novel about the bestselling Sufi poet Jelaluddin Rumi--based on original sources in Farsi and English--readers discover the key moments that shaped his poetic genius. It started as playful, if barbed, banter before rising to a fateful wager with a most notorious rake--the Captain of the Guard, Jalal al-Khoury--who may have finally met his match in a lovely, if haughty, handmaiden, Despina. But she, too, seems to have met her match in the handsome Jalal. What begins as a tempestuous battle of will and wit in short order becomes a passionate affair spurred on by tragedy of the worst kind.

Two sisters come together with a few friends to figure out why a plain, small, ancient porron would invite danger. Intimidating men are chasing them around the Napa Valley, making threats and damaging property but their intimidation tactics won't work on these two redheads. They can take easily take this one on alone but why not include their father and two friends who run a dojo and a bar to help them along.

The Essential Guide to Memorable Storytelling from The Moth

one man's journey to the light

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