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Provides a comprehensive guide to American dramatic literature, from its origins in the early days of the nation to American classics such as Arthur

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Miller's *Death of a Salesman* and Thornton Wilder's *Our Town* to the groundbreaking works of today's best writers.

The dramatic trilogy has been flourishing for some time now in new works and revivals of older works by

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American, British, and European playwrights. This book analyzes recent American works by Caucasian, African American, Asian American, and Hispanic American men and women. There are five chapters beginning with *Opposing Families* (trilogies of, e.g.,

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Lanford Wilson, Foote, Machado, and McCraney are examined). Carson, Rabe, and McLaughlin are among those in the Classical Reimaginings chapter while Coen, Berc, and Wolfe constitute the Medieval Reimaginings chapter. Van Itallie, Havis, Rapp, and

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Hwang, among others, create New Forms. LaBute, Fierstein, and Nelson, among others, create New Selves. The concluding chapter is devoted to Ruhl's Passion Play, which spans 400 years of theatre-creating from Elizabethan England to Hitler's

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Germany to the Reagan era in America.
original paperback

In the title play, Exhibit 'A', an artist pushes the boundaries of his art to a previously untouched frontier, challenging the very definition of "art." 10K explores the territory

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where fantasy and desire merge, as a man and woman share secrets while traversing a suburban jogging path. Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush is a tense confrontation between two men in a park. In Happy Hour, a guy and a gal meet cute in a bar. I'm Going

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To Stop Pretending (That I Didn't Break Your Heart) lays bare a couple at the bitter end of a relationship, where devastation and loss for one is freedom and inevitability for the other. Â 16 Pounds is a bleak, near-future look at water scarcity; BFF is the stage

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adaptation of LaBute's short film about three "friends"; Black Girls takes a white guy and a black girl through a wildly uncomfortable conversation; Some White Chick and The Unimaginable are two chillers written for Southwark Playhouse's

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TERROR! Festival; and the monologue
Totally is a young woman's sex
revenge confession like no other.
Filthy Talk for Troubled Times
And Other Plays
In a Forest Dark and Deep
Studies in Cinedramatic Art

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From Stage to Screen and Back Again
Best Monologues from The Best
American Short Plays, Volume Two
The Director as Collaborator

***This book represents the
culmination of Thomas
Elsaesser's intense and***

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passionate thinking about the Hollywood mind-game film from the previous two decades. In order to answer what the mind-game film is, why they exist, and how they function, Elsaesser maps the

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***industrial-institutional
challenges and constraints
facing Hollywood, and the
broader philosophic horizon
within which American cinema
thrives today. He
demonstrates how the***

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***'Persistence of Hollywood'
continues as it has adapted to
include new twists and turns,
as well as revisions of past
concerns, as film moves
through the 21st century.
Through examples such as***

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Minority Report, Mulholland Drive, Source Code, and Back to the Future, Elsaesser explores how mind-game films challenge us and play games with our perception of reality, creating skepticism and (self-)

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doubt. He also highlights the mind-game film's tendency to intervene in a complex fashion in the political moment by questioning the dominant power's intent to program both body and mind alike.

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Prescient and compelling, The Mind-Game Film will appeal to students, scholars, and enthusiasts of media studies, film studies, philosophy, and politics.

The title play, which had its

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American premiere at La MaMa in 2012, rivetingly explores the relationship between a nervous older man and a glib young prostitute, as their evening together drives toward a startling conclusion.

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Also included is the one-act play *The Great War*, which looks at a divorcing couple and the ground they need to cross to reach their own end of hostilities; *In the Beginning*, which was written as a

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***response to the Occupy
movement and produced
around the world in 2012-13 as
part of Theatre Uncut; The
Wager, the stage version of
the film Double or Nothing
starring Adam Brody; the two-***

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handlers A Guy Walks Into a Bar, Over the River and Through the Woods, and Strange Fruit; and two powerful new monologues, Bad Girl and The Pony of Love.

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Neil LaBute is one of the most exciting new talents in theatre and film to have emerged in the 1990s. Influenced and inspired by such writers as David Mamet, Edward Bond and Harold Pinter, he is

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equally at home writing for the screen as for the stage, and the list of films he has written and directed includes The Wicker Man (2006), Possession (2002) and In the Company of Men (1998). As a

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playwright, screenwriter, director, and author of short stories, he has staked out a distinctive, and disturbing, territory. In the first full-length study on LaBute, Christopher Bigsby examines his darkly

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funny work which explores the cruelties, self-concern and manipulative powers of individuals who inhabit a seemingly uncommunal world. Individual chapters are dedicated to particular works,

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and the book also includes an interview with LaBute, providing a fascinating insight into the life of this influential and often controversial figure. Neil LaBute: A Casebook is the first book to examine one

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of the most successful and controversial contemporary American playwrights and filmmakers. While he is most famous, and in some cases infamous, for his early films In the Company of Men and Your

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Friends and Neighbors, Labute is equally accomplished as a playwright. His work extends from the critique of false religiosity in Bash to examinations of opportunism, irresponsible art, failed

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parenting, and racism in later plays like Mercy Seat, The Shape of Things, The Distance From Here, Fat Pig, Autobahn, and the very recent This Is How It Goes and Some Girls. Like David Mamet, an

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acknowledged influence on him, and Conor McPhereson, with whom he shares some stylistic and thematic concerns, LaBute tends to polarize audiences. The angry voices, violent situations, and

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irresponsible behavior in his works, especially those focusing on male characters, have alienated some viewers. But the writer's religious affiliation and refusal to condone the actions of his

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***characters suggest he is
neither exploitive nor
pornographic. This casebook
explores the primary issues of
the writer's style, themes, and
dramatic achievements.
Contributors describe, for***

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example, the influences (both classical and contemporary) on his work, his distinctive vision in theater and film, the role of religious belief in his work, and his satire. In addition to the critical

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introduction by Wood and the original essays by leading dramatic and literary scholars, the volume also includes a bibliography and a chronology of the playwright's life and works.

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***Best Monologues from Best
American Short Plays, Volume
One***

***David Mamet's Work in
Different Genres and Media
Stage and Cinema***

The Way We Get By

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***The Contemporary American
Dramatic Trilogy***

***The Methuen Drama Guide to
Contemporary American
Playwrights***

***The Best Men's Monologues
for the 21st Century***

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The interviews contained in Directors: From Stage to Screen and Back Again demonstrate the myriad ways in which a theater background can engender innovative and

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***stimulating work in film.
As unique and
idiosyncratic as the
personalities they
feature, the Director's
conversations with Susan
Beth Lehman range over***

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***a vast field of topics.
Each one traces its
subject's personal artistic
journey and explores how
he or she handled the
lessons and challenges of
moving from stage to***

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screen.

***Cow. Slob. Pig. How many
insults can you hear
before you have to stand
up and defend the woman
you love? Tom faces just
that question when he***

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falls for Helen, a bright, funny, sexy young woman who happens to be plus sized-and then some. Forced to explain his new relationship to his shallow (although

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***shockingly funny) friends,
finally he comes to terms
with his own
preconceptions of the
importance of
conventional good looks.
Neil LaBute's sharply***

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drawn play not only critiques our slavish adherence to Hollywood ideals of beauty but boldly questions our own ability to change what we dislike about ourselves.

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Neil LaBute burst onto the American theater scene with the premiere of BASH at NYC's Douglas Fairbanks Theater in 1999 in a wildly praised production that featured

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Calista Flockhart, Paul Rudd, and Ron Eldard. It went on to play at the Almeida Theatre in London and since then has seen hundreds of productions across the

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U.S. and around the world. These three provocative one-act plays examine the complexities of evil in everyday life and thrillingly exhibit LaBute's signature raw

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lyrical intensity. Ablaze with the muscular dialogue and searing artistry that immediately established him as a major playwright, BASH is enduringly

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brilliant—classic and essential Neil LaBute. In Medea Redux, a young woman relates her complex and ultimately tragic relationship with her high school English

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teacher; in Iphigenia in Orem, a businessman confides to a stranger in a Las Vegas hotel room about a chilling crime; and in A Gaggle of Saints, a young couple

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separately recounts the violent events of an anniversary weekend in New York City.

Languages of Trauma explores how, and for what purposes, trauma is

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***expressed in historical
sources and visual media.***

Neil Lobbed

1930-2010

The Transatlantic Gaze

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***Contemporary American
Theater
American Drama***

THE STORY: Ester is a swimmer
trying to stay afloat. Amy is curled up
on the locker room floor. DRY LAND

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is a play about abortion, female friendship, and resiliency, and what happens in one high school locker room after everybody ' s left.

Historical Dictionary of Contemporary American Theater presents the plays and personages, movements and

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institutions, and cultural developments of the American stage from 1930 to 2010, a period of vast and almost continuous change. It covers the ever-changing history of the American theater with emphasis on major movements, persons, plays, and events.

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This is done through a chronology, an introductory essay, an extensive bibliography, and over 1,500 cross-referenced dictionary entries. This book is an excellent access point for students, researchers, and anyone wanting to know more about the

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history of American theater.

In a career spanning forty years the Chicago-born David Mamet (° 1947) not only left his imprint on American drama with stage classics like American Buffalo, Glengarry Glen Ross and Oleanna, he systematically ventured

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into different genres and media as a way of experimenting, honing his craft, and broadening his audiences. The international scholars assembled in the present volume assess Mamet's career to date, focussing particularly on his forays into film, television, the novel

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and adaptation/translation, as well as on how his work fared in the hands of other artists, whether with serious or comic intentions. By measuring his works' diverse incarnations against each other, his more apodictic theorizings and essays, in the light of

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formal, institutional and historical determinants, this volume also contributes to a more general reflection on the intermedial and interdisciplinary practice of contemporary artists.

An essential introductory textbook that guides students through 300 years of

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American plays, as well as their remarkable engagement with texts from across the Atlantic. Divided into seven historical periods, Jacqueline Foertsch offers unique overviews of 38 American plays and their reception, from Robert Hunter's *Androboros*

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(c.1714) to Lin-Manuel Miranda's Hamilton (2015). Each historical section begins with an overseas play that proved influential to American playwrights in that period, demonstrating to students an astonishing dialogue taking place across

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the Atlantic. This is an ideal core text for modules on American Drama – or a supplementary text for broader modules on American Literature – which may be offered at the upper levels of an undergraduate literature, drama, theatre studies or American

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studies degree. In addition it is a crucial resource for students who may be studying American drama as part of a taught postgraduate degree in literature, drama or American studies.

Directors

Dry Land

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The Theatrical Networks of Maurice
E. Bandmann

Plays by Women from the
Contemporary American Theater
Festival

Neil LaBute: Plays 1

Visualising Lost Theatres

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A Critical Study

Drawing on cutting-edge virtual reality, this book unearths the social-political histories and theatrical praxis of five 'lost' theatres. This powerful anthology

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***brings together reflective
and raw plays by American
playwrights surrounding
the psychic and political
boundaries of the many
faces and shadows of
terrorism. Allan Havis's***

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introduction addresses a variety of terrorism cases from the last 25 years, examines several theories of the root causes of modern terrors, and underscores how theatre

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forms a unique contour to social and philosophical thought on terrorism. With a foreword from Robert Brustein, the anthology features: Break of Noon by Neil LaBute 7/11 by Kia

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***Corthron Omnium
Gatherum by Theresa
Rebeck and Alexandra
Gersten-Vassilaros
Columbinus by PJ Paparelli
and Stephen Karam Why
Torture is Wrong, and the***

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***People Who Love Them by
Christopher Durang
Unrivalled in its coverage of
recent work and writers,
The Methuen Drama Guide
to Contemporary American
Playwrights surveys and***

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***analyses the breadth,
vitality and development of
theatrical work to emerge
from America over the last
fifty years. This
authoritative guide leads
you through the work of 25***

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***major contemporary
American playwrights,
discussing more than 140
plays in detail. Written by a
team of 25 eminent
international scholars, each
chapter provides: • a***

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***biographical introduction
to the playwright's work; · a
survey and concise analysis
of the writer's most
important plays; · a
discussion of their style,
dramaturgical concerns and***

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critical reception; · a bibliography of published plays and a select list of critical works. Among the many Tony, Obie and Pulitzer prize-winning playwrights included are

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***Sam Shepard, Tony
Kushner, Suzan-Lori Parks,
August Wilson, Paula Vogel
and Neil LaBute. The
abundance of work analysed
enables fresh, illuminating
conclusions to be drawn***

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about the development of contemporary American playwriting. (Best American Short Plays). This second volume of the best monologues from the Best American

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of the flavors, feelings, and thoughts of American culture over the past several decades. The result is a collection of taught, engaging monologues offering fascinating

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perspectives. They are written with an eye toward the stage that makes them excellent source material for actors young and old alike. And they offer a freshness and directness

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that make them excellent companions for readers attracted to good, often quirky, and always engaging contemporary literature.

In Dialogue, 1714-Present

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***Lovely Head and Other
Plays
Italian Cinema, American
Film
A Casebook
Break of Noon; 7/11;
Omnium Gatherum;***

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***Columbinus; Why Torture is
Wrong, and the People Who
Love Them***

Bash

***Best American Short Plays
2008-2009***

Tracks the influence of Italian

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cinema on American film from the postwar period to the present. In The Transatlantic Gaze, Mary Ann McDonald Carolan documents the sustained and profound artistic impact of Italian directors, actors, and

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**screenwriters on American film.
Working across a variety of
genres, including neorealism,
comedy, the Western, and the art
film, Carolan explores how and
why American directors from
Woody Allen to Quentin**

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Tarantino have adapted certain Italian trademark techniques and motifs. Allen's To Rome with Love (2012), for example, is an homage to the genius of Italian filmmakers, and to Federico Fellini in particular, whose Lo

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sceicco bianco/The White Sheik (1952) also resonates with Allen's The Purple Rose of Cairo (1985) as well as with Neil LaBute's Nurse Betty (2000). Tarantino's Kill Bill saga (2003, 2004) plays off elements of Sergio Leone's

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spaghetti Western C'era una volta il West/Once Upon a Time in the West (1968), a transatlantic conversation about the Western that continues in Tarantino's Oscar-winning Django Unchained (2012). Lee Daniels's Precious

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(2009) and Spike Lee's Miracle at St. Anna (2008), meanwhile, demonstrate that the neorealism of Roberto Rossellini and Vittorio De Sica, which arose from the political and economic exigencies of postwar Italy, is an effective

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vehicle for critiquing social issues such as poverty and racism in a contemporary American context. The book concludes with an examination of American remakes of popular Italian films, a comparison that offers insight into

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the similarities and differences between the two cultures and the transformations in genre, both subtle and obvious, that underlie this form of cross-cultural exchange.

The Berliner Ensemble was

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founded by Bertolt Brecht and his wife Helene Weigel in 1949. The company soon gained international prominence, and its productions and philosophy influenced the work of theatre-makers around the world. David

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Barnett's book is the first study of the company in any language. Based on extensive archival research, it uncovers Brecht's working methods and those of the company's most important directors after his death. The book

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considers the boon and burden of Brecht's legacy, and provides new insights into battles waged behind the scenes for the preservation of the Brechtian tradition. The Berliner Ensemble was also the German Democratic Republic's

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most prestigious cultural export, attracting attention from the highest circles of government, and from the Stasi, before it privatised itself after German reunification in 1990. Barnett pieces together a complex history that sheds light

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on both the company's groundbreaking productions and their turbulent times.

A collection of early work and new short pieces from “the bad boy of American theater” (Time). Neil LaBute burst onto the

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**American theater scene in 1989
with his controversial debut *Filthy
Talk for Troubled Times*. Set in a
barroom in Anytown, USA, and
populated by a series of everymen
(and two beleaguered
everywomen), this series of frank**

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**exchanges explores the
innumerable varieties of
American intolerance. A unique
snapshot of the times, the
play—seldom allowed production
by the author since—provides a
compelling look at the early**

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thinking and evolution of one of our great theater artists. Also in this collection is a series of new, short works, some never before produced. They include “The New Testament,” a showbiz satire that takes a close look at the perils of

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color-blind casting, and “The Furies,” in which a woman helps navigate her brother’s breakup with his out—and then perhaps in-the-closet again—lover. “There is something of the sinister menace of Pinter in LaBute’s work (along

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with David Mamet, he is very much the heir apparent to that master).” —Hedy Weiss, Chicago Sun-Times “There is no playwright on the planet these days who is writing better than Neil LaBute.” —John Lahr, The

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New Yorker

What if God told you to be a better person but the world wouldn't allow it? Such is the dilemma facing Joe Smith, a run-of-the-mill white-collar businessman who survives an

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office shooting and is subsequently touched by what he believes to be a divine vision. His journey toward personal enlightenment—past greed and lust and the other deadly sins—is, by turns, tense, hilarious, profane,

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and heartbreaking. Exploring the narrow path to spiritual fulfillment and how strewn it is with the funny, frantic failings of humankind, The Break of Noon showcases Neil LaBute at his discomfiting best.

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**Distributed Agency, Time Travel,
and Productive Pathology
History, Memory, and Media
Three Plays
Fat Pig
The Break of Noon
Crossings**

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The Globalization of Theatre 1870–1930

Meet Beth and Doug, two people who have no problems getting dates with their partners of choice. After a drunken party and a hot night, they wake up to

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a blurry morning where the rules of attraction, sex, and society are waiting for them before their first cup of coffee. It's very awkward—and it also leads the pair to ponder how much they really know about each other,

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and how much they really care about what other people think. THE WAY WE GET BY is a play about love and lust and the whole damn thing. (Applause Books). Applause is proud to continue the series that

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for over 70 years has been the standard of excellence for one-act plays in America. From its inception, The Best American Short Plays has identified new, cutting-edge playwrights who have gone on to establish award-

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winning careers, including Tennessee Williams, Edward Albee, Wendy Wasserstein, David Mamet, and Horton Foote. William W. Demastes made his debut as series editor with the well-received 2010-2011 volume,

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a diverse collection revolving around the multidimensional theme of love. Blogcritics said of the anthology: "This collection is a bountiful of pleasing oddities. Each work offers something worthwhile.... The collection runs

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**the gamut of the most serious
drama to the most irreverent
topical mental trinkets...."**
**Demastes returns and once
again draws from works
produced by some of America's
finest theater companies in an**

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effort to capture the wide range of styles, topics, and regional tastes that typifies American theater. The compilation includes works by John Guare, Neil LaBute, and A. R. Gurney, as well as contributions from a

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plethora of gifted, emerging playwrights.

Neil Lobbed is one of the most exciting new talents in theatre and film to have emerged in the 1990s. Influenced and inspired by such writers as David Mamet,

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Edward Bond and Harold Pinter, he is equally at home writing for the screen as for the stage, and the list of films he has written and directed includes The Wicker Man (2006), Possession (2002) and In the Company of

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Men (1998). As a playwright, screenwriter, director, and author of short stories, he has staked out a distinctive, and disturbing, territory. In the first full-length study on Lobbed, Christopher Bigsby examines

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and the book also includes an interview with Lobbed, providing a fascinating insight into the life of this influential and often controversial figure.--Publisher description.

The Director as Collaborator

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teaches essential directing skills while emphasizing how directors and theater productions benefit from collaboration. Good collaboration occurs when the director shares responsibility for the artistic creation with the

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entire production team, including actors, designers, stage managers, and technical staff. Leadership does not preclude collaboration; in theater, these concepts can and should be complementary.

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Students will develop their abilities by directing short scenes and plays and by participating in group exercises. New to the second edition: updated interviews, exercises, forms, and appendices new

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chapter on technology including digital research, previsualization and drafting programs, and web-sharing sites new chapter on devised and ensemble-based works new chapter on immersive theater, including material and

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**exercises on environmental
staging and audience–performer
interaction**

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**A Critical Study of the Syrian
Playwright and Public**

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Intellectual

One on One

How I Did It

The Best American Short Plays

2011-2012

**American Political Plays in the
Age of Terrorism**

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Offers new perspectives on Sa'dallah Wannous' significance as a playwright and public intellectual in the Arab world and world theatre.

Features a comprehensive guide to American dramatic

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literature, from its origins in the early days of the nation to the groundbreaking works of today's best writers.

In over fifteen years, the cultural and artistic response to 9/11 has been

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wide-ranging in form and function. As the turbulent post-9/11 years have unfolded – years that have been shaped and characterized by the War on Terror, the Patriot Act, the Wars in Afghanistan and

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Iraq, 7/7, Abu Ghraib and Guantánamo Bay – these texts have been commemorative and heroic, have attempted to work through collective and individual traumas, and have struggled with trying to represent the “terrorist

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other." Many of these earlier domestic, heroic and traumatic works have so often been read as limitations in narrative. This collection, however, challenges the language of limitation and provides re-

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readings of earlier work,
but also traces the
emergence of a new paradigm
for discussing the artistic
responses to 9/11 – one that
frames these narratives as
dialogic, self-conscious and
self-reflexive interventions

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in the responses to the attacks, the initial representations of the attacks, and the ever-shifting social and geopolitical continuities of the 9/11 decade. These texts widen the conversation about

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the lasting impacts of 9/11,
and incorporate strands of
discussion on American
exceptionalism and
imperialism, torture, and
otherness, whilst still
remaining invested in the
personal and collective

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traumas of the attacks. The authors included here ask crucial questions about the way 9/11 is being historicized: will it, for example, be read as a moment of rupture or epoch? Will it inevitably be attached to

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the War on Terror or the Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan? As they trace the emergent patterns of reflexivity, politicization and dissent, the contributions here are also implicitly invested in

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asking how far they extend.
Filthy Talk for Troubled
Time is one of LaBute's
earliest plays. A downbeat
night at a topless bar
exposes the gulf between the
twitchy clientele and the
waitresses who serve but

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despise them. The Mercy Seat examines a couple who, on the day after a world-changing atrocity, toy with exploiting it to start a new life. Some Girl(s) follows a young writer's panicked retreat from his imminent

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wedding as he seeks out old girlfriends and opens new wounds, while in *This Is How It Goes* the breakdown of a seemingly successful marriage is complicated by submerged bigotry. The collection also includes two

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short plays about relationships in crisis - A Second of Pleasure and Helter Skelter - which are in equal part tender and chilling. Together these plays form a complex and compelling portrait of the

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sexes - sometimes warring,
sometimes loving, but never
fully at peace.

The Shape of Things; Fat
Pig; In a Dark Dark House;
In a Forest, Dark and Deep
Gidion's Knot; The Niceties;
Memoirs of a Forgotten Man;

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Dead and Breathing; 20th
Century Blues

Establishing a Playwriting
Career

Exhibit 'A'

Neil LaBute

The Mind-Game Film

Neil LaBute: Plays 2

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'LaBute takes us to shadowy places we don't like to talk about, sometimes even to think about.' *Newsday*
Obsession with surface and secrets runs through

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*this second collection
of Neil LaBute's work.
The Shape of Things
peels back the skin of
modern-day relationships
to ask how far someone
might change themselves*

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*for love, or for art. In
Fat Pig, a man confronts
his friends' - and his
own - fixation with
Hollywood ideals of
beauty when he falls for
a 'plus size' young*

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woman. In a Dark Dark House and In a Forest, Dark and Deep are twin tales of sibling conflict. In the first, estranged brothers must reconcile conflicting

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memories, after one asks for corroboration of childhood abuse. In the second, a man's offer to help his sister clear out her cottage brings a terrible confession into

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the light. The Shape of Things 'What initially seems a touching study of student romance develops instead into a passionate discussion about the way art feeds

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*on life.' Daily
Telegraph Fat Pig 'As
large as Helen is, the
tender heart of the play
is easily twice as big.'
Variety In a Dark Dark
House 'LaBute toys with*

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*expectations and takes
pleasure in our
discomfort... The play
does lead to a pretty
dark place - but the
ending is not without
hope.' Daily Mail In a*

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Forest, Dark and Deep
'It is billed as being
about sibling rivalry,
but in fact majors on
far deeper, dangerous
things: the yearning to
be understood, female

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*manipulation, and
fascinated male disgust
at a sister's lurid
sexuality.' The Times
Based at Shepherd
University, in West
Virginia, the*

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*Contemporary American
Theater Festival is
nationally and
internationally
recognized as a home for
playwrights and the
development and*

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*production of new plays.
The Festival makes it a
priority to celebrate
and produce playwrights
with strong, distinct
voices, with a core
value to tell diverse*

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*stories. This anthology
of work provides plays
that speak to one of the
most compelling virtues
of artists everywhere -
freedom of speech. A
necessary volume of*

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women playwrights' work, ranging from a two-time Obie Award-winning author to emerging writers just beginning their careers, it represents a group of

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*women who vary in age,
race and sexual
orientation and offers
an invitation to
artistic leaders,
scholars and students to
embrace gritty, thought-*

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provoking new dramatic work. Edited by The Festival's Producing Directors Peggy McKowen and Ed Herendeen, this anthology features an introduction by Pulitzer

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*Prize-winner Lynn
Nottage. Each of the
five powerful plays is
followed by an
informative and
discursive playwright
interview conducted by*

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Sharon J. Anderson that contextualizes and develops the works within the wider context of the annual festival. The plays include: Gidion's Knot by Johnna

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*Adams The Niceties by
Eleanor Burgess Memoirs
of a Forgotten Man by
D.W Gregory Dead and
Breathing by Chisa
Hutchinson 20th Century
Blues by Susan Miller*

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(Applause Acting Series). For this book, Lawrence Harbison has interviewed successful playwrights who have developed relationships with theaters that

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regularly produce their plays, have had at least one major New York production, have their plays published by a licensor such as Dramatists Play Service

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*or Samuel French, have
received commissions,
and have an agent.*

*Harbison asks each of
them the same question:
How did you do it? How I
Did It features an*

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*introduction by Theresa
Rebeck and interviews
with David Auburn,
Stephen Belber, Adam
Bock, Bekah Brunstetter,
Sheila Callaghan, John
Carlani, Eric Coble,*

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*Jessica Dickey, Kate
Fodor, Gina Gionfriddo,
Daniel Goldfarb, Kirsten
Greenidge, Rinne Groff,
Lauren Gunderson,
Michael Hollinger, Rajiv
Joseph, Greg Kotis, Neil*

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*LaBute, Deborah Zoe
Laufer, Wendy MacLeod,
Itamar Moses, Bruce
Norris, Lynn Nottage,
Aaron Posner, Adam Rapp,
J.T. Rogers, Lloyd Suh,
Carl Thomas, Sharr*

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*White, and Anna Ziegler.
A valuable tool for
playwrights daunted by
the extremely difficult
task of getting their
work produced, as well
as to playwriting*

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*students, How I Did It
is full of stories of
how it's done.*

*A collection of one-act
plays from American
playwrights, which cover
such themes as love,*

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*fantasy, politics,
grief, marriage, crime,
and deceit.*

Languages of Trauma

A History of the

Berliner Ensemble

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Drama

*New Narratives in
Literature, Television,
Film and Theatre*

A Play

*The Theatre of Sa'dallah
Wannous*

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*Filthy Talk for Troubled
Times; The Mercy Seat;
Some Girl(s); This Is
How It Goes; Helter
Skelter; A Second of
Pleasure*

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of Maurice E. Bandmann and his global theatrical circuit in the early twentieth century.

Betty and Bobby are sister and brother, but they have little in common. She's a college professor with a prim

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demeanor, and he's a carpenter with a foul mouth and violent streak. Betty has a wild history that Bobby won't let her forget. Yet on the night when Betty urgently needs help to empty her cabin in the woods, she calls

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on Bobby. In this exhilarating play of secrets and sibling rivalry, LaBute unflinchingly explores the dark territory of "the lies you tell yourself to get by."

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century, almost all artists, students, and critics working in theater will have had earlier and greater exposure to film than to theater. In fact, film has become central to the way in which we perceive and formulate stories,

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images, ideas, and sounds. At the same time, film and video occupy an increasingly significant place in theater study, both for the adaptation of plays and for the documentation and preservation of theatrical

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performances. Yet far too often theater and film artists, as well as educators, make the jump from one medium to the other without being fully aware of the ways in which the qualities of each medium affect content and

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artistic expression. This book is intended to fill such a gap by providing a theoretical and practical foundation for understanding the effect that film and drama have had, and continue to have, on each

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other's development. Moreover, this study provides a history of the relationship between drama and cinema, starting with the pre-cinematic, late 19th-century impulse towards capturing spectacular action on the stage

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and examining the artistic and commercial interaction between movies and plays, both in popular and experimental work, throughout the 20th century. Important subjects treated in this book include stage versus

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screen acting, the adaptation process itself, the theatrical as well as the cinematic avant-garde, and the portability or adaptability of dramatic character.

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