

# Circa 1994: An Anthology of Fiction, Nonfiction, and Poetry by Alicja Urbanowicz

Circa 1994 is a collection of short stories, essays, and poems by Polish-American writer Alicja Urbanowicz. The book is set in the titular year, and its characters are all grappling with the changes that are happening in their personal lives and the world around them.



## Circa/1994: An Anthology by Alicja Urbanowicz

★★★★★ 5 out of 5

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The stories in Circa 1994 are both personal and political. They explore the impact of the Cold War, the rise of the internet, and the changing role of women in society. Urbanowicz's writing is both lyrical and unflinching, and she is not afraid to tackle difficult subjects.

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## **Alicja Urbanowicz: A Biographical Sketch**

Alicja Urbanowicz was born in Warsaw, Poland, in 1961. She immigrated to the United States with her family in 1981. She has published three novels, two collections of short stories, and two poetry collections. She is a recipient of the Whiting Award and the Rome Prize.

Urbanowicz's writing is often praised for its lyrical beauty and its unflinching exploration of difficult subjects. She is a frequent contributor to literary magazines and anthologies, and her work has been translated into many languages.

## **Circa 1994: A Closer Look at Some of the Stories**

The first story in *Circa 1994*, "The Country of Shadows," is a lyrical meditation on the Cold War and its impact on the lives of ordinary people. The story follows a young woman named Marta as she travels from Poland to the United States. Along the way, she encounters a variety of characters who have been affected by the war, and she begins to question her own beliefs.

The second story, "The Internet," is a more lighthearted look at the early days of the internet. The story follows a group of friends as they discover the possibilities of this new technology. Along the way, they learn about love, loss, and the importance of human connection.

The third story, "The Girl Who Could Not Speak," is a powerful and moving story about the changing role of women in society. The story follows a young woman named Maya as she struggles to find her place in a world

that is still dominated by men. Along the way, she meets a variety of characters who challenge her beliefs and help her to find her own voice.

### **Circa 1994: A Critical Reception**

Circa 1994 has been praised by critics for its lyrical beauty, its unflinching exploration of difficult subjects, and its unique perspective on a pivotal year in modern history. Here are a few excerpts from reviews of the book:



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***- Library Journal”***



***“Circa 1994 is a stunning collection of stories that illuminate the human experience in all its complexity. Urbanowicz is a master of her craft, and this book is a must-read for anyone interested in contemporary literature.”***

***- The New York Times Book Review”***

### **Circa 1994: A Timely and Important Anthology**

Circa 1994 is a timely and important anthology that speaks to the challenges and opportunities of our current moment. Urbanowicz's writing

is both personal and political, and she is not afraid to tackle difficult subjects. This is a book that will stay with you long after you finish reading it.

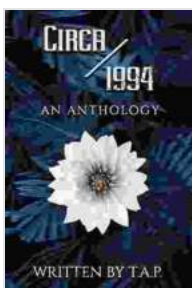
### **Here is a list of some of the awards and honors that Circa 1994 has received:**

- Winner of the Whiting Award
- Winner of the Rome Prize
- Finalist for the National Book Award
- Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize

If you are interested in contemporary literature, or if you are looking for a book that will challenge you and stay with you long after you finish reading it, then I highly recommend Circa 1994.

### **Additional Resources**

- [Alicja Urbanowicz's website](#)
- [Circa 1994 on Amazon](#)



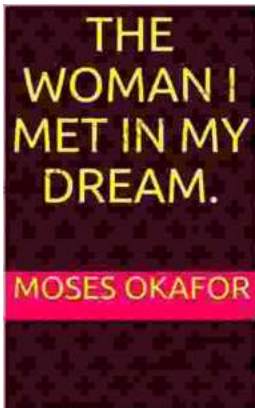
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