

Volume One Oberon Modern Playwrights: A Comprehensive Review of Contemporary British Theatre



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Volume One Oberon Modern Playwrights is an essential resource for anyone interested in contemporary British theatre. This comprehensive anthology features the work of some of the most exciting and innovative playwrights writing today, including Caryl Churchill, Mark Ravenhill, Sarah Kane, and David Harrower.

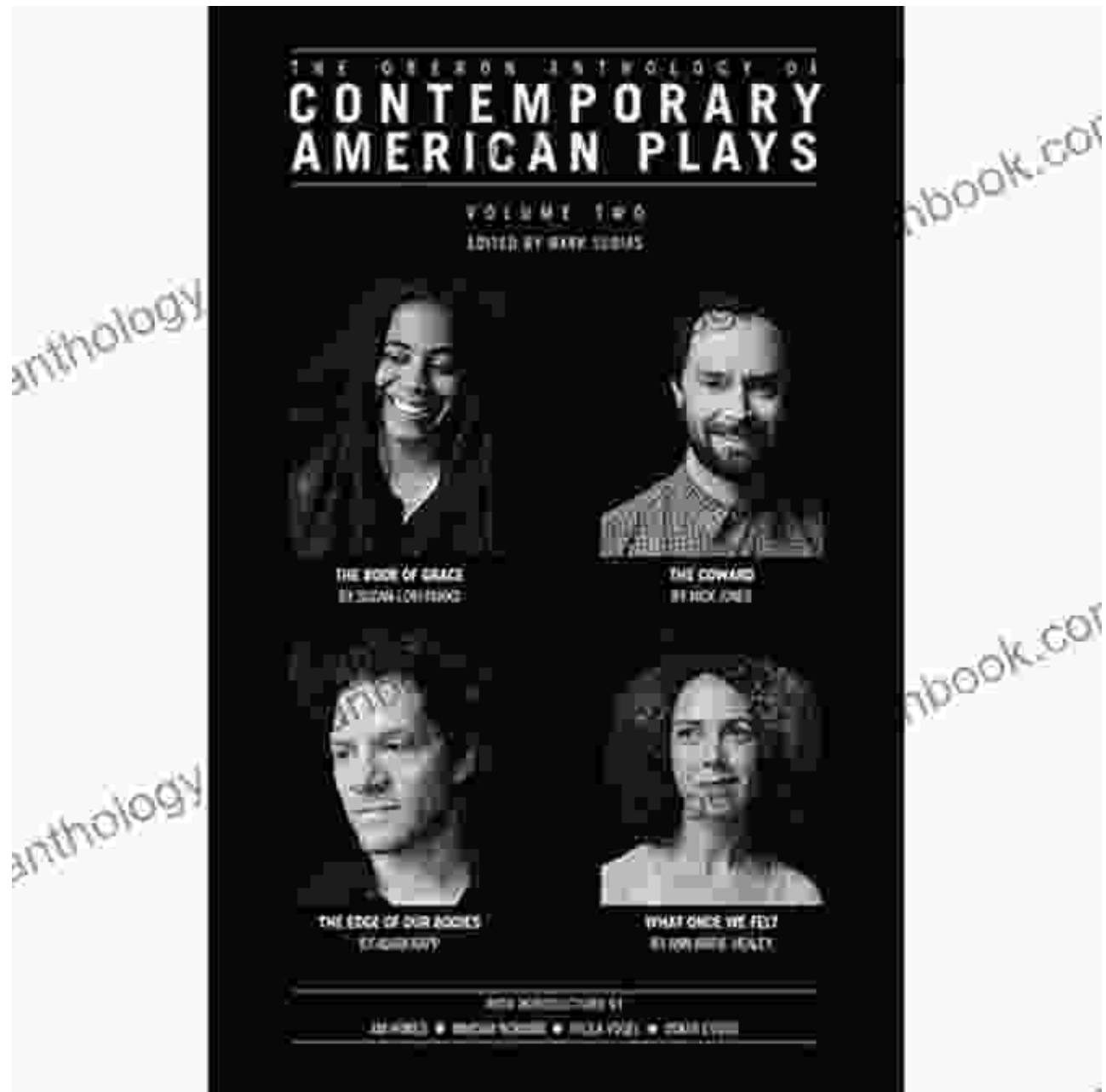
The plays in this volume are all challenging and thought-provoking, and they offer a unique insight into the state of British society at the turn of the 21st century. Churchill's "Cloud Nine" explores the changing nature of gender and sexuality, while Ravenhill's "Shopping and Fucking" takes a scathing look at consumerism and materialism. Kane's "Blasted" is a

harrowing exploration of violence and trauma, while Harrower's "Black Watch" tells the story of a Scottish regiment during the Iraq War.

These plays are not for the faint of heart, but they are essential reading for anyone who wants to understand the state of contemporary British theatre. They are challenging, provocative, and ultimately rewarding, and they offer a unique insight into the human condition.

Caryl Churchill

Caryl Churchill is one of the most celebrated playwrights of her generation. Her work is characterized by its intelligence, wit, and incisive social commentary. She has written over 30 plays, including "Cloud Nine," "Top Girls," and "Mad Forest." "Cloud Nine" is a groundbreaking play that explores the changing nature of gender and sexuality. The play is set in two time periods, 1880 and 1980, and it follows the lives of two families as they navigate the changing social landscape.



Mark Ravenhill

Mark Ravenhill is a rising star in the British theatre scene. His work is characterized by its dark humor and its unflinching exploration of the human condition. He has written over 20 plays, including "Shopping and Fucking," "Mother Clap's Molly House," and "Pool (no water)." "Shopping and Fucking" is a scathing look at consumerism and materialism. The play

follows the lives of two young couples as they navigate the excesses of modern life.



Sarah Kane

Sarah Kane was a groundbreaking playwright whose work explored the dark side of the human condition. She wrote four plays before her untimely death in 1999, including "Blasted," "Cleansed," and "Crave." "Blasted" is a

harrowing exploration of violence and trauma. The play follows the lives of two young lovers as they are caught up in a war zone.



David Harrower

David Harrower is a Scottish playwright who has written over 20 plays, including "Black Watch," "Knives in Hens," and "Birdland." "Black Watch" is a powerful and moving play that tells the story of a Scottish regiment during

the Iraq War. The play follows the soldiers as they navigate the horrors of war and the challenges of returning home.



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