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"In this elegantly constructed study of the early decades of public opera, the conflicts and cooperation of poets, composers, managers, designers, and singers—producing the art form that was soon to sweep the world and that has been dominant ever since—are revealed in their first freshness."—Andrew Porter "This will be a standard work on the subject of the rise of Venetian opera for decades. Rosand has provided a decisive contribution to the reshaping of the entire subject. . . . She offers a profoundly new view of baroque opera based on a solid documentary and historical-critical foundation. The treatment of the artistic self-consciousness and professional activities of the librettists, impresarios, singers, and composers is exemplary, as is the examination of their reciprocal relations. This work will have a positive effect not only on studies of 17th-century, but on the history of opera in general."—Lorenzo Bianconi

For this new edition, the text has been brought fully up to date - and the period covered is from 2005 to 2010. Inevitably, this has meant that large sections of the book have been completely rewritten. Much has happened since the first edition was published in 1998. Patrick Moore December 2004 v 00-OY2e_PRE(i-xvi).qxd 14/2/05 2:03 PM Page vii Contents Preface.

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00-OY2e_PRE(i-xvi).qxd 14/2/05 2:03 PM Page ix Introduction It was once said that ‘the night sky always looks much the same’. In fact, nothing could be further from the truth. There are 365 days in each year (366 in a Leap Year!), and from an astronomical point of view no two are alike.

There are many good books on Italian immigration to the United States, including success biographies, field researches and historical investigations. What is lacking however is an account of the immigrant experience from a "grassroots" point of view. This book tells the stories of a normal people, the great majority of the immigrant population, through their own, sometimes almost illiterate, words. With this book I aim to contribute to this country's story of immigration with these first-hand accounts of those who lived it, first-generation immigrants. It was said once, by Giuseppe Prezzolini, that Italian immigration left tears and sweat

but not "words." The material of this book proves such arrogance wrong. I tried to be as thorough as possible in my field research looking for such "words" on both sides of the Ocean. I consulted Italian and American archives, I looked for books out of print, and scavenged for unpublished ones in private houses and forgotten drawers. What I found fills a silence and gives a wider spectrum of the immigrant experience, from the miner to the tailor, from the janitor to the professor. The book will interest scholars of Italian immigration because it adds information from within the protagonists' self. Their tales may be average, their memory may be inaccurate but their drive toward a new life and their immigrant "philosophy," made of grinding teeth and hope, is all there in its most fresh features. The book will also interest scholars of the autobiographical genre because it adds a new facet to the autobiographical voice. There are only a few studies on the life writing of the lower class (which come from France and England, not the US). I have tried to formulate new concepts that describe the autobiographical "I" of these works, conc

"Italian Futurist Poetry" contains more than 100 poems (both Italian and English versions) by sixty-one poets from across Italy.

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When in Rome

Un Día Maravilloso

Love to Hate You

The Power of Song in Early Modern Italy

An Interdisciplinary Approach

Remember us...when I can't. Thea Hughes has five minutes to live. A car accident stole her parents and left her with the second-worst documented case of amnesia in the world. She now has only minutes of experiences, of consciousness, of life...before her memory is wiped clean. The once effervescent artist with a promising future is reduced to scribbling with pens and paper, living an empty, quiet life, three hundred seconds at a time. Jim Whelan is on autopilot. A foster kid shuffled around the system since birth, he's lived his entire life without knowing love...and it's taken its toll-until he learned to fight back, carry his armor, and keep his head down. Working as an orderly in the Blue Ridge Sanitarium, deep in Virginia countryside, Jim looked up...and found Thea. When Thea has the chance to break free of her five-minute prison with a risky, experimental surgery, it could lead them both to an epic love they never thought possible... or one that could require the ultimate sacrifice.***50 First Dates meets Awakenings in this emotional love story by international and best-selling author, Emma Scott. A Five-Minute life contains subject matter that might be sensitive to some readers. #standalone #newadultrromance

"This study considers the way in which a poetic convention, the beloved to whom Renaissance amatory poetry was addressed, becomes influential political rhetoric, an instrument that both men and women used to shape and justify their claims to power. The author argues that Petrarchan poetic conventions were part of a social discourse that signaled anxiety concerning the rising place of women as intellectual interlocutors, public figures, and patrons of the arts."--

In 1975, at the height of Indira Gandhi's "Emergency," V. S. Naipaul returned to India, the country his ancestors had left one hundred years earlier. Out of that journey he produced this concise masterpiece: a vibrant, defiantly unsentimental portrait of a society traumatized by centuries of foreign conquest and immured in a mythic vision of its past.

Drawing on novels, news reports, political memoirs, and his own encounters with ordinary Indians—from a supercilious prince to an engineer constructing housing for Bombay's homeless—Naipaul captures a vast, mysterious, and agonized continent inaccessible to foreigners and barely visible to its own people. He sees both the burgeoning space program and the 5,000 volunteers chanting mantras to purify a defiled temple; the feudal village autocrat and the Naxalite revolutionaries who combined Maoist rhetoric with ritual murder. Relentless in its vision, thrilling in the keenness of its prose, *India: A Wounded Civilization* is a work of astonishing insight and candor.

Having survived a camping trip with the Photography Club, a group whose main extracurricular activity is offering its sexual services to the student body, Takashi Tono is suddenly thrust into the club's next group excursion—a summer hot springs retreat! Meanwhile, even the club's veterans of debauchery can't escape the worst fate of all—true love! -- VIZ Media

Writing Beloveds

, said the shotgun to the head.

Odyssea Oltre il Coraggio Del Sacrificio

Greek Texts and Armenian Traditions

Fear in the World

The Ladies of Dante's Lyrics

Francisca Lopez es un ángel negro, una mujer marcada por el dolor y la violencia... y también por un solo hombre: Marcus, con quien ha compartido su lado más oscuro. Pero hoy Marcus no está junto a ella. Se marcha siguiendo a la joven Penny, la dulce de mechones de color pastel por la que quiso cambiar de vida. Francisca debe buscar una nueva identidad. Para ello se traslada a Amherst, la ciudad de Emily Dickinson, porque la poesía siempre ha sido su válvula secreta de salvación. El joven profesor del curso, Byron Lord, queda pronto fascinado por los ojos de petróleo de la nueva alumna y entre los dos nace entonces una extraña relación, una tierna alquimia amorosa que las fragilidades de ella y los secretos de ambos pueden romper en cualquier momento. Una historia que el destino cruzará con la de Marcus y Penny, en un final delicadamente inesperado. La continuación de *Si me quieres, no me dejes ir* nos cuenta una nueva historia de amor y redención: un viaje profundo y conmovedor por el espíritu inquieto de sus protagonistas, tan distintos y, a la vez, tan iguales.

The early modern and modern cultural world in the West would be unthinkable without Petrarch and Boccaccio. Despite this fact, there is still no scholarly contribution entirely devoted to analysing their intellectual revolution. Internationally renowned scholars are invited to discuss and rethink the historical, intellectual, and literary roles of Petrarch and Boccaccio between the great model of Dante's encyclopedia and the ideas of a double or multifaceted culture in the era of Italian Renaissance Humanism. In his lyrical poems and Latin treatises, Petrarch created a cultural pattern that was both Christian and Classical, exercising immense influence on the Western World in the centuries to come. Boccaccio translated this pattern into his own vernacular narratives and erudite works, ultimately claiming as his own achievement the reconstructed unity of the Ancient Greek and Latin world in his contemporary age. The volume reconsiders Petrarch's and Boccaccio's heritages from different perspectives (philosophy, theology, history, philology, paleography, literature, theory), and investigates how these heritages shaped the cultural transition between the end of the Middle Ages and the early modern era, as well as European identity.

The greatest Americans Have not been born yet They are waiting quietly For their past to die please give blood Here is the account of a man so ravished by a kiss that it distorts his highest and lowest frequencies of understanding into an Incongruent mean of babble and brilliance...

Simon and Clary reunite as they witness a Parabatai ceremony...and discuss their own plans to be bonded. One of ten adventures in *Tales from the Shadowhunter Academy*. Simon and Clary act as witnesses to the parabatai ceremony of Emma Carstairs and Julian Blackthorn...and discuss their own parabatai plans in this precursor to *The Dark Artifices*. This standalone e-only short story follows the

adventures of Simon Lewis, star of the #1 New York Times bestselling series, *The Mortal Instruments*, as he trains to become a Shadowhunter. *Tales from the Shadowhunter Academy* features characters from Cassandra Clare's *Mortal Instruments*, *Infernal Devices*, and the upcoming *Dark Artifices* and *Last Hours* series. *The Fiery Trial* is written by Cassandra Clare and Maureen Johnson. Read more of Cassandra Clare's *Shadowhunter Chronicles* in *The Infernal Devices*, *The Mortal Instruments*, and *The Bane Chronicles*.

The Value of Worthless Lives

Obsolete Objects in the Literary Imagination

A Five-Minute Life

Humanist Petrarchism and the Politics of Gender

Readings on the Paradiso of Dante

Italian Futurist Poetry

The phenomenal bestselling author of *The Hunt for Red October* and *Threat Vector*, Tom Clancy is one of America's most acclaimed storytellers. Now he targets a CIA analyst and his family in the deadliest game of our time?international terrorism. In an explosive wave of violence, an ultra-left-wing faction of the IRA is hunting one man for his act of salvation in an attempted assassination. And now he must pay?with his life. Benny, Nix, Lou, and Lilah journey through a fierce wilderness that was once America searching for the jet they saw months ago, while evading fierce animals and a new kind of zombie.

Publisher Description

A new edition of this classic title.

A fun, feisty romance

Worth the Wait

India

Stradbroke Dreamtime

Murder on the 18th Green

An eccentric poet acts as spiritual detective in these eight stories by the Father Brown author, in which the philosophical policeman solves and prevents crimes perpetrated by madmen.

"A book of the regency Dracula"-- cover.

Called to the hospital when his fifteen-year-old daughter, Angela, is injured in a potentially fatal accident, a prominent surgeon sits and waits, silently confessing the affair he had the year Angela was born. As Timoteo's tale begins, he's driving to the beach house where his beautiful, accomplished wife, Elsa, is waiting. Car trouble forces him to make a detour into a dingy suburb, where he meets Italia--unattractive, unpolished, working-class--who awakens a part of him he scarcely recognizes. Disenchanted with his stable life, he seizes the chance to act without consequences, and their savage first encounter spirals into an inexplicable obsession. Returning again and again to Italia's dim hovel, he finds himself faced with a choice: a life of passion with Italia, or a life of comfort and predictability with Elsa. As Angela's life hangs in the balance, Timoteo's own life flashes before his eyes, this time seen through the lens of the one time he truly lived.

Disillusioned with love, Kendall has a one-night-stand with Garrison University's resident playboy, Cruise Elton, but when feelings emerge on both sides, Kendall and Cruise find themselves questioning everything they thought they knew about love.

The Observer's Year

Android Cookbook

Trends in Contemporary Italian Narrative 1980-2007

Touchscreen Archaeology

The Vampire Voss

Flesh & Bone

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This scarce antiquarian book is included in our special Legacy Reprint Series. In the interest of creating a more extensive selection of rare historical book reprints, we have chosen to reproduce this title even though it may possibly have occasional imperfections such as missing and blurred pages, missing text, poor pictures, markings, dark backgrounds and other reproduction issues beyond our control. Because this work is culturally important, we have made it available as a part of our commitment to protecting, preserving and promoting the world's literature. Translated here into English for the first time is a monumental work of literary history and criticism comparable in scope and achievement to Eric Auerbach's *Mimesis*. Italian critic Francesco Orlando explores Western literature's obsession with outmoded and nonfunctional objects (ruins, obsolete machinery, broken things, trash, etc.). Combining the insights of psychoanalysis and literary-political history, Orlando traces this obsession to a turning point in history, at the end of eighteenth-century industrialization, when the functional becomes the dominant value of Western culture. Roaming through every genre and much of the history of Western literature, the author identifies distinct categories into which obsolete images can be classified and provides myriad examples. The function of literature, he concludes, is to remind us of what we have lost and what we are losing as we rush toward the future.

From the acclaimed author of the international sensation *Library of the Dead* comes a nail-biting new thriller that spans the globe and reaches back through the centuries in a dangerous, breathless search for the answer to one of history's most provocative and intriguing questions: Does the Holy Grail exist? Fifteenth-century England. For centuries, rulers, clerics, scholars and adventurers have searched in vain for the sacred cup from which Christ drank at the Last Supper. Locked up in a cold, damp cell, the knight Thomas Malory is despondent: he has failed in his quest to recover the Grail. He decides to write his famed work *Le Morte D'Arthur*, hiding within his tale of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table an enormous secret: the key to finding the Grail. England, present day. Arthur Malory, a scientist and amateur archaeologist, has just seen his best friend die at the hands of a ruthless murderer. It all started with a phone call about a potential sensational discovery about their shared passion: the Holy Grail. And now the killers are after Arthur . . . Thrust into a life-or-death quest to find the precious artifact, Arthur must follow a chain of clues left by his illustrious ancestor, Thomas Malory. His quest spans the centuries and takes him to King Arthur's Cornwall, Renaissance England, the Sagrada Familia in Barcelona, a modern physics lab in Modane, France, and ultimately, inevitably, to Jerusalem and the legendary tomb of

Christ. The Resurrection Maker effortlessly blends history, science, and explosive questions in a page-turning adventure that takes us to the heart of mysterious forces dating to the very origin of the universe. Readers will be treated to smarts, thrills, and nonstop entertainment in this irresistible treasure hunt of a story, the next blockbuster from the writer who has been called “the Indiana Jones of literature.” **PRAISE FOR GLENN COOPER'S LIBRARY OF THE DEAD:** “Both incandescent and explosive. A seamless blend of modern-day thriller and historical mystery with an ending that left me breathless. A debut not to be missed.” —JAMES ROLLINS “Prepare to be enthralled by this epic thriller. Glenn Cooper’s debut novel is a masterpiece of suspense.” —PETERBOROUGH EVENING TELEGRAPH

Episodes in the Life of Gabriel Gale

The Resurrection Maker

Chiefly Based on the Commentary of Benvenuto Da Imola, by the Hon. William Warren Vernon ; with an Introduction by the Bishop of Ripon

The Fiery Trial

SPA-SI ME QUIERES NO ME DEJES

The Creation of a Genre

The touchscreen belongs to a century-long history of hands-on media practices and touchable art objects. This media-archaeological excavation examines the nature of our sensual involvement with media and invites the reader to think about the touchscreen beyond its technological implications. In six chapters, the book questions and historicizes both aspects of the touchscreen, considering "touch" as a media practice and "screen" as a touchable object.

Sopravvissuta allo scontro all'ultimo sangue con il suo nemico mortale, Odyssea si ◈ ormai ambientata nella cittadina nascosta oltre il Bosco di Confine. Dopo anni di peregrinazioni ha finalmente una casa e una famiglia. Alle prese con le regole della Scuola Superiore di Magia Applicata, si immerger◈ nella vita che non ha mai avuto, facendo l'esperienza dell'amicizia, del confronto coi compagni, con gli insegnanti. Ma qualcuno trama nuovamente nell'ombra. Qualcuno che si nasconde tra le persone dall'apparenza innocua che la circondano e che non esita a eliminare ogni possibile impedimento alla realizzazione di un macabro obiettivo finale: uccidere lei. Perseguitata da un'oscura presenza, Odyssea dovr◈ misurarsi ancora con il Male, imparando a proprie spese cosa vuol dire crescere. E mentre la vita andr◈ avanti, con i misteri e le sorprese di un mondo stregato che le permette di aggrapparsi all'illusione di essere una ragazza normale - tra castelli e balli di corte, draghi e unicorni, incantesimi e filtri magici, spettri ed elfi, gite scolastiche ed esami- capir◈ che non pu◈ sottrarsi al suo destino di vittima predestinata. Come non pu◈ sottrarsi all'amore. Jacko O'Donnell, bello e scontroso da fare male, come un

fiume in piena che ormai le scorre nelle vene, travolgergli gli argini della sua innocenza e del suo cuore, rischiando quasi di perderla, pur di non sciogliere le catene dell'orgoglio che gli impediscono di ammettere che lei che vuole. Fino ad arrivare al feroce epilogo dal quale sar difficile uscire vivi. L'atteso seguito di *Odyssea Oltre il varco incantato!* <https://www.facebook.com/AmabileGiustiPaginaUfficiale> Provides instruction on building Android apps, including solutions to working with web services, multitouch gestures, location awareness, and device features.

Dopo la terribile perdita subita, *Odyssea* non riesce pi a sorridere. Non solo, la vita le chiede di separarsi dalla sua famiglia per andare a studiare alla facolt di Zoiatria di Wizzieville: un grande passo verso un'ulteriore crescita, ma i tempi sono maturi per un lento distacco. Eppure, anche tra nuove lezioni e nuovi impegni, *Odyssea* non smette di guardarsi intorno, di cercare il proprio nemico, certa che sia vicino a lei, pronto a ricordarle nel modo pi crudele l'atroce patto che hanno stipulato, il ricatto a cui ha dovuto cedere. "Stai lontana da Jacko. Se ti ostinerai ad amarlo morir, e con lui tutti quelli che gli sono cari." *Odyssea* cercher di strapparsi l'anima per tenere fede alla promessa, e dovr mentirgli, proprio ora che Jacko pronto ad amarla senza catene e senza paura. Attinger forza da un amico tanto impreveduto quanto strampalato, e scaver nei segreti dell'universit, e nella vita di una ragazzina fantasma che le far scoprire qualcosa di inaspettato sul suo mortale avversario. Ma, soprattutto, *Odyssea* capir che la vita pu scegliere vari modi, a volte contorti, per vincere, che l'amore non vuole obbedire a costrizioni e ricatti, che non c' modo di forzare il destino, e che il sacrificio di uno - il pi coraggioso, il pi nobile - pu bastare per mettere in salvo tutti gli altri. Il quarto volume della saga dedicata a *Odyssea*, dopo *Odyssea Oltre il varco incantato*, *Odyssea Oltre le catene dell'orgoglio* e *Odyssea Oltre i confini del tempo*.

Opera in Seventeenth-Century Venice

366 Nights in the Universe

Patriot Games

Apolline Project Vol. 1

Someone to Love

La Noche Nos Pertenece

Thirteen years ago, Vivi LeBrun was sketching a rooster and eating Oreos when she first met—and fell for—her friend's brother, David St. James. Since then, her love for David has only intensified thanks to years of friendship with his family, who rescued her from a lonely, tumultuous childhood. As she travels to Block Island to vacation with the St. James siblings,

Vivi daydreams about reuniting with David, hoping he'll finally see her as his soul mate. After his mother's death, David distanced himself from his siblings, determined to hide a devastating family secret. Now, he's brought a new girlfriend along to his homecoming—one who's pushing for a serious commitment. The last thing he needs on his growing list of problems is his budding attraction to Vivi. With tensions running high, David's behavior triggers a series of events that might cost him the love he's always taken for granted and Vivi the only real family she's ever known.

An interdisciplinary approach, crucial as it is in most fields of research, proves itself to be unescapable in the study of interactions between the ancient Armenian and Greek worlds and literatures. The volume arises from such an awareness and collects papers presented in a conference which has been organized in 2013 at the University of Genova, thanks to a cooperation with the Université Paris-Sorbonne, following in the footsteps of a tradition inaugurated by Giancarlo Bolognesi in the years '80 and '90. The subject is explored from many points of view: the topic of Armenian translations of Greek texts – with considerations of a methodological nature and the discussion of case-studies –, aspects which pertain to the historical context and the historiographical sources, the wide theme of the Armenian reception of Biblical, Christian and Byzantine literature, and finally philological, linguistic and lexical problems. The aim of this kind of research is to exploit the cooperation among classical philologists, linguists and Armenologists, in order to face the challenge of investigating a subject which requires many different competences.

The 'new Italian narrative' that began to be spoken about in the 1980s was not associated with a single writer or movement but with an eclectic and varied production. The eight essays that make up this volume set out to give a flavour of the breadth and range of recent trends and developments. The collection opens with two essays on crime fiction. In the first, Luca Somigli examines novels dealing with topical issues or recent history and which reveal a strong indigenous and regional tradition, while in the second, Nicoletta McGowan discusses the particular case of a noir by Claudia Salvatori. They are followed by essays on two of Italy's best-known contemporary writers: Marina Spunta's essay explores the representation of space, place and landscape in the work of Gianni Celati and photographer Luigi Ghirri, while Darrell O'Connell analyses the fiction of Vincenzo Consolo, and his struggle to find a means of representing an ethical stance within fiction. Two essays then examine the role of the anthology for young writers: Charlotte Ross and Derek

Duncan in the context of lesbian and gay writing, looking at identity politics and the problematics of categorization; Monica Jansen and Inge Lanslots in that of the "Young Cannibals", and their often unsettling non-literary language and orientation towards cinema, pop music and slang. The penultimate essay, by Jennifer Burns, discusses the literature of migrants to Italy, focusing on questions of identity, memory, mobility and language, while the final contribution, by Gillian Ania, is a study of apocalypse and dystopia in contemporary writing, looking at novels by Vassalli, Capriolo, Avoledo and Pispisa. "This volume examines Italian narrative from the 1980s to the present, from the original viewpoint of genres, categories, trends, rather than author-based analyses. It highlights the innovations of the last twenty years, incorporating into the various themes well known writers like Consolo, Celati and Vassalli, with relative newcomers like Avoledo and Pispisa. The contributors to the volume, academics from the UK, Ireland, Canada, Belgium, cover a wide range of themes which have come to the fore during this period, ranging from detective stories (both the giallo and the noir) to lesbian and gay writing, to immigration literature in Italian, to the study of apocalypse and dystopia. The themes are contextualized in the socio-political and cultural changes taking place in Italy, and parallel to this the temporal moments of the narratives are in turn related to their historical realities. This is a richly woven account which presents post '80s Italian narrative from a new and stimulating angle, in eight lucid and informative essays which will be welcomed by all those interested in contemporary fiction in its cultural context." –Professor Anna Laura Lepschy, Department of Italian, University College London

Can your worst enemy become the love of your life? A fun, feisty, feel-good romance for fans of Sophie Kinsella and Meg Cabot. Jennifer and Ian have known each other for seven years. They are leaders of two different teams in the same London bank, and are constantly engaged in a running battle to be number one. Ian is a handsome, wealthy and sought-after bachelor; Jennifer is a feisty, independent lawyer. When they are thrown together to work on the same project, Ian makes Jenny an offer she can't refuse: to have free reign of their rich client if she pretends to be his girlfriend. Soon, it becomes more and more difficult to tell the difference between fiction and reality... What readers are saying about LOVE TO HATE YOU: 'A light-hearted novel about love, (im)possibilities and challenges in the workplace' Tu Style. 'Anna Premoli, for me, is the best of the genre. This book made me laugh and fall in love – I read it four times!' 'I loved this novel from beginning to end ... If you

want a book that is fun and romantic at the same time, I would definitely recommend it.' 'A beautiful love story ... I read it in just two days!'

Writing Italian American Immigrant Autobiographies

A Wounded Civilization

Tracing Histories of Hands-On Media Practices

Ruins, Relics, Rarities, Rubbish, Uninhabited Places, and Hidden Treasures

The Hell of Dante Alighieri

Hay Algo En Tus Ojos

Grace Gilmore lo tiene todo. A los dieciocho años, su mundo es un puzzle en el que cada pieza ocupa su lugar preciso: padres ricos y afectuosos, novio tipo príncipe azul, próximo acceso a la Universidad de Yale... Hasta que tres golpes bajos del destino en un solo día hacen que su universo se desmorone y la joven se rebele ante ese futuro perfecto que los demás han elegido para ella. Con su decepción y los pedacitos de su antigua vida a cuestas, Grace se embarca en un road trip por Estados Unidos en busca de sus sueños y siguiendo solamente su instinto. En Nueva York conoce a Channing, un hombre mitad latino y mitad asiático, de pelo sedoso y cuerpo escultural, y atractivamente irreverente a la vez que amable. Un rayo de ojos azules que desgarran el cielo gris del corazón de Grace. De Pennsylvania a Ohio, de Kentucky a Illinois, todos los caminos, incluida la mítica Ruta 66, parecen unir a los dos jóvenes. Ella aprenderá a conocer sentimientos nuevos y emociones auténticas, que nada tienen que ver con su vida pasada; él, sin embargo, deberá saldar cuentas con el trágico secreto que podría hacer pedazos ese sueño de un día maravilloso.

Corrado Alvaro's *Fear in the World* was published a decade before Orwell's 1984, but is not well known outside Italy, perhaps because of the timing of the publication just before the Second World War. Alvaro had visited the Soviet Union as a journalist, but was probably motivated to write this dystopian novel by aspects of modernity that concerned him, particularly the use of fear for political purposes which was not afflicting Russia alone. He was interested in the psychology of fear and the extent to which individuals and the crowd participate in their own regimentation. The names of countries, cities and leading political figures such as Stalin are never referred to, but as in the works

of Orwell they are clearly identifiable from their descriptions: the author was writing in a Fascist country against a Fascist censor and had to cut his cloth accordingly. This is a dark novel, not quite as dark as 1984, but it is more claustrophobic. The feeling of inevitability is there from the first page, and it is experienced as we experience real life. The imagined truth takes us closer to where we really are. The travails of the love affair at the core of this novel quite possibly arise from perceptions that the regime exploits in a quite ad hoc manner. And it leads the reader through an extraordinary sequence of events and observations which encompass a vast range of emotions and ideas expressed in a unique prose style. The modern Leviathan appears to be a well-oiled machine, but towards the end it becomes clear that this is merely an appearance of efficiency and omniscience, but appearances can be powerful. Alvaro is particularly interested in how the state uses quasireligious mechanisms and rituals to assert its power. The central character returns to the country after a long period abroad, and sees things initially through foreign eyes, living a life similar to the one Alvaro did when in Russia. He is not a natural rebel, and very much wants to fit in, but he finds this difficult to achieve. The regime boasts that it has an ally in history, but destiny is elusive, however much the characters feel that they are driven by it.

The Unity of Knowledge in the Pre-modern World

The Poet and the Lunatics

Don't Move

Petrarch and Boccaccio

Yarichin Bitch Club, Vol. 4 (Yaoi Manga)

Monteverdi's Unruly Women