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**Selected Letters of William Faulkner** Feb 28 2020 Reveals, through selected correspondences, the sources and intentions of Faulkner's art as well as his aesthetic, philosophical, social, and political attitudes

**The Rose Upon the Trellis: William Faulkner's Lena Grove** Aug 28 2022 Regarding William Faulkner's novel, *Light in August*, the majority of critics view Lena Grove as an insignificant character. It is the intent of this thesis to right the discourse by showing that Lena Grove is a major figure: generally, symbolically, and when considered in her role as a literary device. Generally, Lena Grove functions as an eccentric individual and a Southern folk figure; symbolically she has become a pagan fertility goddess, an "opposite equal" to Joanna Burden, and a Persephone-Kore figure. As a literary device she comprises the entity who most closely offers us a set of "horizons of expectations" closest to a straightforward linear plotline. Even when we are in the "deconstructed" phases of her plotline, that is, embroiled in the construction of one of the other three plotlines, that of Joe Christmas, Byron Bunch or Reverend Gail Hightower, we consistently think of Lena Grove and wonder where she is in her journey across the South and her journey through life. In *Light in August*, in her own unique manner, Lena Grove is a major figure - ever present.

**Vision's Immanence** May 13 2021 "Lurie takes particular interest in the influence of cinema on Faulkner's fiction and the visual strategies he both deployed and critiqued. These include the suggestion of cinematic viewing on the part of readers and of characters in each of the novels; the collective and individual acts of voyeurism in *Sanctuary* and *Light in August*; the exposing in *Absalom! Absalom!* and *Light in August* of stereotypical and cinematic patterns of thought about history and race; and the evocation of popular forms like melodrama and the movie screen in *If I forget thee, Jerusalem*. Offering innovative readings of these canonical works, this study sheds new light on Faulkner's uniquely American modernism."--BOOK JACKET.

**Becoming Faulkner** May 25 2022 A biography of the celebrated American novelist explores how the events of Faulkner's life and his personal struggles influenced the direction and nature of his writings.

**Intruder in Dust** Dec 08 2020 Lucas Beauchamp, a black man wrongly arrested for the murder of Vinson Gowrie, a white man, sets out to prove his innocence, aided by a white lawyer Gavin Stevens and his young nephew Chick Mallison.

**William Faulkner, the Man and the Artist** Mar 11 2021 Based on Faulkner collections at two universities, a previously unexamined private collection, and interviews with Faulkner's associates, this biography profiles the often contradictory personality of the famed Southern author

**William Faulkner** Sep 16 2021 In his life and writings, William Faulkner continually created and "performed" selves. Even in letters, he often played a part—gentleman dandy, soldier, farmer—while in his fictions these and other personae are counterpoised against one another to create a world of controlled chaos, made in Faulkner's own protean image and reflective of his own multiple sense of self. In this groundbreaking book, James Watson draws on the entire Faulkner canon, including letters and photographs, to decipher the complicated ways in which Faulkner put himself forth as the artist he felt himself to be through written performances and displays based on the life he actually lived and the ones he imagined living. The topics Watson treats include the overtly performative aspects of *The Sound and the Fury*, self-presentation and performance in private records of Faulkner's life, the ways in which his complicated marriage and his relationships to male mentors underlie his fictions' recurring motifs of marriages and fatherhood, Faulkner's readings of Melville, Hawthorne, and Thoreau and the problematics of authorial sovereignty, his artist-as-God creation of a fictional cosmos, and the epistolary relationships with women that lie in the correspondence behind *Requiem for a Nun*.

**Faulkner** Mar 23 2022 That Faulkner was a "liar" not just in his writing but also in his life has troubled many critics. They have explained his numerous "false stories," particularly those about military honors he actually never earned and war wounds he never sustained, with psychopathological imposture-theories. The drawback of this approach is that it reduces and oversimplifies the complex psychological and aesthetic phenomenon of Faulkner's role-playing. Instead, this critical study by one of the most acclaimed international Faulkner scholars takes its cue from Nietzsche's concept of "truth as a mobile army of metaphors" and from Ricoeur's dynamic view of metaphor and treats the wearing of masks not as an ontological issue but as a matter of discourse. Hönnighausen examines Faulkner's interviews and photographs for the fictions they perpetuate. Such Faulknerian role-playing he interprets as a mode of organizing experience and relates it to the crafting of the artist's various personae in his works. Mining metaphor as well as modern theories on social role-playing, Hönnighausen examines unexplored aspects of image creation and image reception in such major Faulkner novels as *The Sound and the Fury*, *Light in August*, *A Fable*, and *Absalom, Absalom!*

**The Origins of Faulkner's Art** Jan 01 2023 An analysis of William Faulkner's poetry attempts to identify his key themes, traces his development as a writer, and discusses his concept of himself as a poet

**William Faulkner** Jan 09 2021

**A Reader's Guide to William Faulkner** Sep 24 2019 A standard reference work in American literature, this volume is the most complete and detailed guide to the novels of William Faulkner. Edmond L. Volpe's aim is to reveal the greatness of Faulkner's art and the scope and profundity of his personal vision of life. He describes the dominant patterns in the fiction by isolating Faulkner's major themes and by analyzing his narrative techniques and style. He then offers extensive, individual interpretations of the nineteen novels, tracing the development of Faulkner's ideas, and includes a set of genealogical tables for each major family in the novels. Both scholarly and accessible, this unique treatment of Faulkner's novels—from *Soldiers' Pay* to *The Reivers*—helps the reader come to a thorough understanding of a great American writer.

**Obscurity's Myriad Components** Oct 06 2020 On that paradoxical premise, Faulkner's theory addresses the writer's dilemma of having only the inadequate word to surmount itself; and the practice in fiction seeks to vanquish the enemy, not in the wordless, as it is often denoted, but in silence past the word."--BOOK JACKET.

**William Faulkner and the Tangible Past** May 01 2020 "This jewel of a book is a great pleasure to read. In point of fact, it is not a book one reads but savors."--Narciso G. Menocal, author of *Architecture as Nature*

**The Art of Faulkner's Novels** Jun 25 2022 To say that the entirety of human experience can be a novelist's theme is to voice an absurdity. But, as Peter Swiggart convincingly argues, Faulkner's work can be viewed as an extraordinary attempt to transform the panorama of man's social experience into thematic material. Faulkner's two-dimensional characters, his rhetorical circumlocutions, and his technical experiments are efforts to achieve a dramatic focus upon material too unwieldy, at least in principle, for any kind of fictional condensation. Faulkner makes use of devices of stylization that apply to virtually every aspect of his successful novels. For example, the complex facts of Southern history and culture are reduced to the scale of a simplified and yet grandiose social mythology: the degeneration of the white aristocracy, the rise of Snopesism, and the white Southerner's gradual recognition of his latent sense of racial guilt. Within Faulkner's fictional universe, human psychology takes the form of absolute distinctions between puritan and nonpuritan characters, between individuals corrupted by moral rationality and those who are simultaneously free of moral corruption and social involvement. In this way Faulkner is able to create the impression of a comprehensive treatment of

important social concerns and universal moral issues. Like Henry James, he makes as much as he can of clearly defined dramatic events, until they seem to echo the potential complexity and depth of situations outside the realm of fiction. When this technique is successful the reader is left with the impression that he knows a Faulkner character far better than he could know an actual person. At the same time, the character retains the atmosphere of complexity and mystery imposed upon it by Faulkner's handling of style and structure. This method of characterization reflects Faulkner's simplifications of experience and yet suggests the inadequacy of any rigid interpretation of actual behavior. The reader is supplied with special eyeglasses through which the tragedy of the South, as well as humanity's general inhumanity to itself, can be viewed in a perspective of simultaneous mystery and symbolic clarity.

The Gift of Color Oct 18 2021

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**The Outrageous Life of Henry Faulkner** Feb 07 2021 The life of painter and poet Henry Faulkner, from his childhood in rural Kentucky to a flamboyant bohemian existence in New York, Los Agneles, Key West, and Sicily. The author sheds light on the tragic tensions experienced by the artist in contemporary America.

**Pylon** Jun 01 2020 In this book, an unnamed reporter for a local newspaper, tries to understand a trio of flyers on the barnstorming circuit.

**Light in August** Aug 04 2020 First published in 1932, 'Light in August' is a novel that contrasts stark tragedy with optimistic perseverance in the face of mortality, written by William Faulkner, a Nobel Prize-winning American author. One of the most influential writers of the 20th century, Faulkner's reputation is based on his novels, novellas, and short stories. He was also a published poet and an occasional screenwriter. The novel is set in the American South during prohibition and features an ensemble cast of Faulkner's most memorable characters: honest and brave Lena Grove, in search of the father of her unborn child; Reverend Gail Hightower, a lonely outcast haunted by visions of Confederate glory; and Joe Christmas, a desperate, enigmatic drifter consumed by his mixed ancestry. These characters tussle with alienation, racism, and heartbreak across a nonlinear narrative. Classified as a Southern gothic and modernist novel, it is considered a seminal work in 20th-century American literature.

**The Signifying Eye** Sep 28 2022 A bold book, built of close readings, striking in its range and depth, *The Signifying Eye* shows Faulkner's art take shape in sweeping arcs of social, labor, and aesthetic history.

Beginning with long-unpublished works (his childhood sketches and his hand-drawn and handillustrated play *The Marionettes*) and early novels (*Mosquitoes* and *Sartoris*), working through many major works (*The Sound and the Fury*, *As I Lay Dying*, *Sanctuary*, *Light in August*, and *Absalom, Absalom!*), and including more popular fictions (*The Wild Palms* and *The Unvanquished*) and late novels (notably *Intruder in the Dust* and *The Town*), *The Signifying Eye* reveals Faulkner's visual obsessions with artistic creation as his work is read next to Wharton, Cather, Toomer, and—in a tour de force intervention—Willem de Kooning. After coloring in southern literature as a "reverse slave narrative," Waid's *Eye* locates Faulkner's fiction as the "feminist hinge" in a crucial parable of art that seeks abstraction through the burial of the race-defined mother. Race is seen through gender and sexuality while social fall is exposed (in Waid's phrase) as a "coloring of class." Locating "visual language" that constitutes a "pictorial vocabulary," *The Signifying Eye* delights in literacy as the oral meets the written and the abstract opens as a site to see narrative. Steeped in history, this book locates a heightened reality that goes beyond representation to bring Faulkner's novels, stories, and drawings into visible form through Whistler, Beardsley, Gorky, and de Kooning. Visionary and revisionist, Waid has painted the proverbial big picture, changing the fundamental way that both the making of modernism and the avant-garde will be seen. A Friends Fund publication

**Fiction, Film, and Faulkner** Apr 23 2022 Noted film historian Gene Phillips (English, Loyola U.-Chicago) traces the successes and frustrations in Faulkner's screenwriting career, exploring parallels between his film work and his career as a novelist. Includes a filmography and bibliography. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

*Faulkner on the Color Line* Mar 30 2020 A study of William Faulkner's final phase as a period in which he faced up to America's rigid protocols of racial ideology This study argues that Faulkner's writings about racial matters interrogated rather than validated his racial beliefs and that, in the process of questioning his own ideology, his fictional forms extended his reach as an artist. After winning the Nobel Prize in 1950, Faulkner wrote what critics term "his later novels." These have been almost uniformly dismissed, with the prevailing view being that as he became a more public figure, his fiction became a platform rather than a canvas. Within this context *Faulkner on the Color Line* redeems the novels in the final phase of his career by interpreting them as Faulkner's way of addressing the problem of race in America. They are seen as a series of formal experiments Faulkner deliberately attempted as he examined the various cultural functions of narrative, most particularly those narratives that enforce American racial ideology. The first chapters look at the ways in which the ability to assert oneself verbally informs matters of individual and cultural identity in both the widely studied works of Faulkner's major phase and those in his later career. Later chapters focus on the last works, providing detailed readings of *Intruder in the Dust*, *Requiem for a Nun*, the *Snopes* trilogy, *A Fable*, and *The Reivers*. The book examines Faulkner as he confronted the vexing questions of race in these novels and assesses the identity of Faulkner as the Nobel Prize winner who claimed on many occasions that he was "tired," maybe "written out." In his decision not to speak in the identity of the black people represented in his fiction, in his decision to write instead about the complexities of all racial constructions, he produced a host of characters suffering within the rigid protocols on race that had been enforced in America for centuries. As a private, white individual, he could never be other than what he was. Rather than attempt to reconcile Faulkner the public man with the private one, however, this study concludes that through his fiction Faulkner the artist questioned himself and came to understand others across the color line. Theresa M. Towner is Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies in the School of Arts and Humanities at the University of Texas in Dallas.

**Faulkner and the artist** Dec 20 2021

Faulkner's Art and Characters Oct 30 2022

**William Faulkner** Jul 27 2022 With a writer of Faulkner's scope and subtlety even the study of his beginnings is a challenging task. How did the young man who imitated Swinburne's verse and Beardsley's drawings develop into the author of *The Sound and the Fury* and *Absalom, Absalom!*? This book attempts one solution of the problem by focusing on the aspect of 'stylization' in Faulkner's earliest work and in his mature novels. The first comprehensive study of Faulkner's early graphic work, it sets his art nouveau illustrations and his affinities with the Arts and Crafts movement in their precise historical background, and goes on to offer new readings of his early poetry and his poetic play *The Marionettes*. By examining these ephemeral and apprentice works in detail, Professor Hönnighausen is able to show how the painstaking efforts of the young poet, calligrapher and illustrator foreshadow the verbal art of his great poetic novels.

*William Faulkner* Nov 06 2020 Amid all that has been published about William Faulkner, one subject--the nature of his thought--remains largely unexplored. But, as Daniel Singal's new intellectual biography reveals,

we can learn much about Faulkner's art by relating it to the cultural and intellectual discourse of his era, and much about that era by coming to terms with his art. Through detailed analyses of individual texts, from the earliest poetry through *Go Down, Moses*, Singal traces Faulkner's attempt to liberate himself from the repressive Victorian culture in which he was raised by embracing the Modernist culture of the artistic avant-garde. To accommodate the conflicting demands of these two cultures, Singal shows, Faulkner created a complex and fluid structure of selfhood based on a set of dual identities--one, that of a Modernist author writing on the most daring and subversive issues of his day, and the other, that of a southern country gentleman loyal to the conservative mores of his community. Indeed, it is in the clash between these two selves, Singal argues, that one finds the key to making sense of Faulkner.

The Art of William Faulkner Nov 30 2022 Reviews the material on William Faulkner and offers an evaluation, technical and thematic, of his major novels.

Following Faulkner Jan 21 2022 An examination of how Faulkner's work has been analyzed, elucidated, and promoted by a massive body of scholarly work spanning over seven decades.

**Games of Property** Jan 27 2020 DIVUsing Faulkner's *Go Down Moses* as a point of departure, this book explores the conflicting nature of property relations that have slavery in the U.S. at their base and have affected the conceptualizations of rights and representations of African A/div

**Faulkner and Love** Feb 19 2022 In this exploration of Faulkner's creative process, Sensibar discovers that the relationships that Faulkner had with three particular women were not simply close; they gave life to his imagination. The author brings to the foreground, as Faulkner did, this 'female world', an approach unprecedented in Faulkner biography.

**Natural Aristocracy** Oct 25 2019 By seeing Faulkner the artist and Faulkner the man as one and the same, Railey concludes that the celebrated author wrote himself into history in a way that satisfied the image he had of himself as a natural, artistic aristocrat, based on the notion of natural aristocracy."--BOOK JACKET.

The Art of Faulkner's Novels Jul 15 2021

*William Faulkner* Nov 18 2021 In this companion volume to *William Faulkner: The Yoknapatawpha Country*, Cleanth Brooks takes an in-depth look at Faulkner's early poetry and prose as well as his five non-Yoknapatawpha novels -- *Soldiers Pay*, *Mosquitoes*, *Pylon*, *The Wild Palms*, and *A Fable*. Brooks also offers relevant clarification of some of his earlier interpretations of Faulkner that have been challenged -- most notably in the case of Faulkner that have been challenged -- most notable in the case of *Absalom, Absalom!*, which he considers Faulkner's greatest novel. Recognizing that the creative and imaginative center of Faulkner's art is Yoknapatawpha County, Brooks examines the merits of each of the works set beyond these boundaries and explores how these writings complement Faulkner as an artist. He sheds light on the literary sources that influenced Faulkner's early work and the technical innovations and general themes Faulkner was to develop in his later writing. The notes and appendixes with which Brooks concludes *Toward Yoknapatawpha and Beyond* serve only to amplify this comprehensive study.

*Faulkner and Postmodernism* Jul 03 2020 Since the 1960s, William Faulkner, Mississippi's most famous author, has been recognized as a central figure of international modernism. But might Faulkner's fiction be understood in relation to Thomas Pynchon's *Gravity's Rainbow* as well as James Joyce's *Ulysses*? In eleven essays from the 1999 Faulkner and Yoknapatawpha Conference, held at the University of Mississippi, Faulkner and Postmodernism examines William Faulkner and his fiction in light of postmodern literature, culture, and theory. The volume explores the variety of ways Faulkner's art can be used to measure similarities and differences between modernism and postmodernism. Essays in the collection fall into three categories: those that use Faulkner's novels as a way to mark a period distinction between modernism and postmodernism, those that see postmodern tendencies in Faulkner's fiction, and those that read Faulkner through the lens of postmodern theory's contemporary legacy, the field of cultural studies. In order to make their particular arguments, essays in the collection compare Faulkner to more contemporary novelists such as Ralph Ellison, Vladimir Nabokov, Thomas Pynchon, Walker Percy, Richard Ford, Toni Morrison, and Kathy Acker. But not all of the comparisons are to high culture artists, since even Elvis Presley becomes Faulkner's foil in one of the essays. A variety of theoretical perspectives frame the work in this volume, from Fredric Jameson's pessimistic sense of postmodernism's possibilities to Linda Hutcheon's conviction that cultural critique can continue in postmodernism through innovative new forms such as metafiction. Despite the different theoretical premises and distinct conclusions of the individual authors of these essays, *Faulkner and Postmodernism* proves once again that in the key debates surrounding twentieth-century fiction, Faulkner is a crucial figure. John N. Duvall, an associate professor of English at Purdue University, is the editor of *Modern Fiction Studies*. Ann J. Abadie is associate director of the Center for the Study of Southern Culture at the University of Mississippi.

*The Outrageous Life of Henry Faulkner* Aug 23 2019

**William Faulkner** Jun 13 2021 This succinct, yet comprehensive account of William Faulkner's literary career, novels, and key short stories offers an imaginative topography of his efforts to reckon with his Southern past, to acknowledge its modernization, and to develop his own modernist method. Drawing on various critical approaches, it provides a coherent interpretation of the author's career, emphasizing Faulkner's receptivity to change, not just his critical resistance to it. Now available in paperback, *William Faulkner: Seeing Through the South* places Faulkner's art in context while concentrating on textual detail, technique, and thematic preoccupations across his career.

*The Essential Faulkner* Dec 28 2019 A collection of essential pieces by an American master • “A real contribution to the study of Faulkner’s work.”—Edmund Wilson In prose of biblical grandeur and feverish intensity, William Faulkner reconstructed the history of the American South as a tragic legend of courage and cruelty, gallantry and greed, futile nobility and obscene crimes. He set this legend in a small, minutely realized parallel universe that he called Yoknapatawpha County, Mississippi. No single volume better conveys the scope of Faulkner’s Yoknapatawpha legend than *The Essential Faulkner*. The book includes self-contained episodes from the novels *The Sound and the Fury*, *Light in August*, and *Sanctuary*; the stories “The Bear,” “Spotted Horses,” “A Rose for Emily,” and “Old Man,” among others; a map of Yoknapatawpha County and a chronology of the Compson family created by Faulkner especially for this edition; and the complete text of Faulkner’s 1950 address upon receiving the Nobel Prize in literature. Malcolm Cowley’s critical introduction was praised as “splendid” by Faulkner himself. Also includes: “A Justice” “The Courthouse” (from *Requiem for a Nun*) “Red Leaves” “Was” (from *Go Down, Moses*) “Raid” (from *The Unvanquished*) “Wash” “An Odor of Verbena” (from *The Unvanquished*) “That Evening Sun” “Ad Astra” “Dilsey” (from *The Sound and the Fury*) “Death Drag” “Uncle Bud and the Three Madams” (from *Sanctuary*) “Percy Grimm” (from *Light in August*) “Delta Autumn” (from *Go Down, Moses*) “The Jail” (from *Requiem for a Nun*)

**Faulkner and Race** Nov 26 2019 The essays in this volume address William Faulkner and the issue of race. Faulkner resolutely has probed the deeply repressed psychological dimensions of race, asking in novel after novel the perplexing question: what does blackness signify in a predominantly white society? However, Faulkner's public statements on the subject of race have sometimes seemed less than fully enlightened, and some of his black characters, especially in the early fiction, seem to conform to white stereotypical notions of what black men and women are like. These essays, originally presented by Faulkner scholars, black and white, male and female, at the 1986 Faulkner and Yoknapatawpha Conference, the thirteenth in a series of conferences held on the Oxford campus of the University of Mississippi, explore the relationship between Faulkner and race. With essays by Eric J. Sundquist Craig Werner Blyden Jackson Thadious Davis Pamela J. Rhodes Walter Taylor Noel Polk James A. Snead Philip M. Weinstein Lothar Houmlnighausen Frederick R. Karl Hoke Perkins Sergei Chakovsky Michael Grimwood Karl F. Zender

Faulkner's Media Romance Apr 11 2021 This book treats William Faulkner's major fiction--from *Flags in the Dust* through to *Absalom, Absalom!*--to a searching reappraisal under the spotlight of a media-historical

inquiry. It proposes that Faulkner's inveterate attraction to the paradigms of romance was disciplined and masked by the recurrent use of metaphorical figures borrowed from the new media ecology. Faulkner dressed up his romance materials in the technological garb of radio, gramophony, photography, and cinema, along with the transportational networks of road and air that were being installed in the 1920s. His modernism emerges from a fraught but productive interplay between his anachronistic predilection for chivalric clichés and his extraordinarily knowledgeable interest in the most up-to-date media institutions and forms. Rather than see Faulkner as a divided author, who worked for money in the magazines and studios while producing his serious fiction in despite of their symbolic economies, this study demonstrates how profoundly his mature art was shot through with the figures and dynamics of the materials he publicly repudiated. The result is a richer and more nuanced understanding of the dialectics of his art.

**The Uncollected Stories of William Faulkner** Sep 04 2020 This invaluable volume contains some of the greatest short fiction by a writer who defined the course of American literature. Its forty-five stories fall into three categories: those not included in Faulkner's earlier collections; previously unpublished short fiction; and stories that were later expanded into such novels as *The Unvanquished*, *The Hamlet*, and *Go Down, Moses*. *The Uncollected Stories of William Faulkner* is an essential addition to its author's canon—as well as a book of some of the most haunting, harrowing, and atmospheric short fiction written in the twentieth century.

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