

# Never Met Bukowski English Edition

**Charles Bukowski** Al Fogel  
2000

*Tales of Ordinary Madness*

Charles Bukowski 2013-06-15

Exceptional stories that come  
pounding out of Bukowski's  
violent and depraved life.

Horrible and holy, you cannot  
read them and ever come away  
the same again. This collection  
of stories was once part of the  
1972 City Lights classic,  
Erections, Ejaculations,  
Exhibitions and General Tales  
of Ordinary Madness. That  
book was later split into two  
volumes and republished: *The  
Most Beautiful Woman in Town*  
and, this book, *Tales of  
Ordinary Madness*. With  
Bukowski, the votes are still  
coming in. There seems to be  
no middle ground—people  
seem either to love him or hate  
him. Tales of his own life and  
doings are as wild and weird as  
the very stories he writes. In a  
sense, Bukowski was a legend  
in his time, a madman, a

recluse, a lover; tender,  
vicious; never the same.

"Bukowski ... a professional  
disturber of the peace ...

laureate of Los Angeles

netherworld [writes with] crazy

romantic insistence that losers

are less phony than winners,

and with an angry compassion

for the lost."—Jack Kroll,

Newsweek "Bukowski's works

are extraordinarily vivid and

often bitterly funny

observations of people living on

the very edge of oblivion. His

poetry, in all its glorious

simplicity, was accessible the

way poetry seldom is a

testament to his genius."—Nick

Burton, PIF Magazine

**Post Office** Charles Bukowski

2009-10-13 Charles Bukowski's

classic roman à clef, *Post*

*Office*, captures the despair,

drudgery, and happy

dissolution of his alter ego,

Henry Chinaski, as he enters

middle age. *Post Office* is an

account of Bukowski alter-ego

Henry Chinaski. It covers the

period of Chinaski's life from the mid-1950s to his resignation from the United States Postal Service in 1969, interrupted only by a brief hiatus during which he supported himself by gambling at horse races. "The Walt Whitman of Los Angeles."—Joyce Carol Oates "He brought everybody down to earth, even the angels."—Leonard Cohen, songwriter

**Fields of Summer** Stephen Brooke 2016-07-09 Visit the fields we remember, the fields we walked in summers past. We knew joy there, we knew regret, and both have faded now into the golden hazes of memory. The Fields of Summer wait for our return. A collection of poems by Stephen Brooke.  
The Dirty Realism Duo Michael Hemmingson 2008-01-01 CHARLES BUKOWSKI & RAYMOND CARVER Charles Bukowski and Raymond Carver were credited as the fathers of the "Dirty Realism" genre in the 1980s--branching out from minimalism, the stripping of fiction down to the least

amount of words and a concentration on the subject's view of the object. The characters are usually run-of-the-mill, every day people--the lower and middle class worker, the unemployed, the alcoholic, the beaten-down-by-life. In this experimental monograph (in the vein of D. H. Lawrence's *Studies in Contemporary American Fiction*), avant/pop literary critic Michael Hemmingson examines these dirty works of Bukowski and Carver through the lens of late twentieth-century American culture and the sociological observation of the self, questioning the authority of the "I" in fiction and poetry and its relation to the eye's gaze of the words on a page. Hemmingson offers close readings of selected texts, deconstructing iconic works by Bukowski and Carver to point out the elements of dirty realism and mastery of the language of the common folk, proving that these two writers are an institution in American literature. MICHAEL HEMMINGSON has written

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over 25 books of literary, western, SF, horror, noir, autobiography, erotica, narrative journalism, gonzo journalism, cultural anthropology, critical theory, critifiction, and ethnography. He lives and works in Southern California.

**Charles Bukowski, King of the Underground** A. Debritto 2013-09-25 This critical study of the literary magazines, underground newspapers, and small press publications that had an impact on Charles Bukowski's early career, draws on archives, privately held unpublished Bukowski work, and interviews to shed new light on the ways in which Bukowski became an icon in the alternative literary scene in the 1960s.

**Gatekeepers** William Marling 2016 Rich in archival materials, interviews with publishers and translators, and close readings of translations, this study shows how the process and production of literature depends on the larger social forces of a given historical moment.--From the

publisher.

**On Drinking** Charles Bukowski 2019-02-12 The definitive collection of works on a subject that inspired and haunted Charles Bukowski for his entire life: alcohol Charles Bukowski turns to the bottle in this revelatory collection of poetry and prose that includes some of the writer's best and most lasting work. A self-proclaimed "dirty old man," Bukowski used alcohol as muse and as fuel, a conflicted relationship responsible for some of his darkest moments as well as some of his most joyful and inspired. In *On Drinking*, Bukowski expert Abel Debritto has collected the writer's most profound, funny, and memorable work on his ups and downs with the hard stuff—a topic that allowed Bukowski to explore some of life's most pressing questions. Through drink, Bukowski is able to be alone, to be with people, to be a poet, a lover, and a friend—though often at great cost. As Bukowski writes in a poem simply titled "Drinking," "for me/it was

or/is/a manner of/dying/with boots on/and gun/smoking and a/symphony music background." On Drinking is a powerful testament to the pleasures and miseries of a life in drink, and a window into the soul of one of our most beloved and enduring writers.

**Storm for the Living and the Dead** Charles Bukowski

2017-11-07 A timeless selection of some of Charles Bukowski's best unpublished and uncollected poems Charles Bukowski was a prolific writer who produced countless short stories, novels, and poems that have reached beyond their time and place to speak to generations of readers all over the world. Many of his poems remain little known since they appeared in small magazines but were never collected, and a large number of them have yet to be published. In Storm for the Living and the Dead, Abel Debritto has curated a collection of rare and never-before-seen material—poems from obscure, hard-to-find magazines, as well as from libraries and private collections

all over the country. In doing so, Debritto has captured the essence of Bukowski's inimitable poetic style—tough and hilarious but ringing with humanity. Storm for the Living and the Dead is a gift for any devotee of the Dirty Old Man of American letters.

**Hawaii** James A. Michener  
2013-11-26 Pulitzer

Prize-winning author James A. Michener brings Hawaii's epic history vividly to life in a classic saga that has captivated readers since its initial publication in 1959. As the volcanic Hawaiian Islands sprout from the ocean floor, the land remains untouched for centuries—until, little more than a thousand years ago, Polynesian seafarers make the perilous journey across the Pacific, flourishing in this tropical paradise according to their ancient traditions. Then, in the early nineteenth century, American missionaries arrive, bringing with them a new creed and a new way of life. Based on exhaustive research and told in Michener's immersive prose, Hawaii is the

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story of disparate peoples struggling to keep their identity, live in harmony, and, ultimately, join together. BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from James A. Michener's Centennial. Praise for Hawaii "Wonderful . . . [a] mammoth epic of the islands."—The Baltimore Sun "One novel you must not miss! A tremendous work from every point of view—thrilling, exciting, lusty, vivid, stupendous."—Chicago Tribune "From Michener's devotion to the islands, he has written a monumental chronicle of Hawaii, an extraordinary and fascinating novel."—Saturday Review "Memorable . . . a superb biography of a people."—Houston Chronicle Nobody's Magic Destiny O. Birdsong 2022-02-08 "The magic here is not the supernatural kind, but rather an attention to the grace of the ordinary. It is the magic of watching these women come into their power."—New York Times A GMA Buzz Pick! A Most Anticipated Book by Essence · The Millions ·

Atlantic Journal Constitution · Glamour · Teen Vogue · Bustle · BookPage · Nashville Scene · Ms. Magazine · Parnassus Musing A Best Book of February by Washington Post · Nylon · BookRiot In this glittering triptych novel, Suzette, Maple and Agnes, three Black women with albinism, call Shreveport, Louisiana home. At the bustling crossroads of the American South and Southwest, these three women find themselves at the crossroads of their own lives. Suzette, a pampered twenty-year-old, has been sheltered from the outside world since a dangerous childhood encounter. Now, a budding romance with a sweet mechanic allows Suzette to seek independence, which unleashes dark reactions in those closest to her. In discovering her autonomy, Suzette is forced to decide what she is willing to sacrifice in order to make her own way in the world. Maple is reeling from the unsolved murder of her free-spirited mother. She flees the media circus and her

judgmental grandmother by shutting herself off from the world in a spare room of the motel where she works. One night, at a party, Maple connects with Chad, someone who may understand her pain more than she realizes, and she discovers that the key to her mother's death may be within her reach. Agnes is far from home, working yet another mind-numbing job. She attracts the interest of a lonely security guard and army veteran who's looking for a traditional life for himself and his young son. He's convinced that she wields a certain "magic," but Agnes soon unleashes a power within herself that will shock them both and send her on a trip to confront not only her family and her past, but also herself. This novel, told in three parts, is a searing meditation on grief, female strength, and self-discovery set against a backdrop of complicated social and racial histories. Nobody's Magic is a testament to the power of family—the ones you're born in and the ones you choose. And in these three

narratives, among the yearning and loss, each of these women may find a seed of hope for the future.

The Flash of Lightning Behind the Mountain Charles

Bukowski 2009-10-06 The second of five new books of unpublished poems from the late, great, Charles Bukowski, America's most imitated and influential poet -- 143 never-before-seen works of gritty, amusing, and inspiring verse.

*More Notes of a Dirty Old Man*

Charles Bukowski 2011-09 Sequel to his most famous book, "More Notes of a Dirty Old Man" features rare Bukowski columns unseen in decades.

**Women** Charles Bukowski

1981 Low-life writer and unrepentant alcoholic Henry Chinaski was born to survive. After decades of slacking off at low-paying dead-end jobs, blowing his cash on booze and women, and scrimping by in flea-bitten apartments, Chinaski sees his poetic star rising at last. Now, at fifty, he is reveling in his sudden rock-

star life, running three hundred hangovers a year, and maintaining a sex life that would cripple Casanova. With all of Bukowski's trademark humor and gritty, dark honesty, this 1978 follow-up to "Post Office" and "Factotum" is an uncompromising account of life on the edge.

Historical Dictionary of the Beat Movement Paul Varner 2012-06-21 The Historical Dictionary of the Beat Movement covers the movement's history through a chronology, an introductory essay, and an extensive bibliography. The dictionary section has over 700 cross-referenced entries on significant people, themes, critical issues, and the most significant novels, poems, and volumes of poetry and prose that have formed the Beat canon. This book is an excellent access point for students, researchers, and anyone wanting to know more about the Beat Movement.

*The Pleasures of the Damned* Charles Bukowski 2012-03-29 The Pleasures of the Damned is

a selection of the best poetry from America's most iconic and imitated poet, Charles Bukowski. Celebrating the full range of the poet's extraordinary sensibility and his uncompromising linguistic brilliance, these poems cover a lifetime of experience, from his renegade early work to never-before-collected poems penned during the final days before his death. Selected by John Martin, Bukowski's long-time editor and the publisher of the legendary Black Sparrow Press, this stands as what Martin calls 'the best of the best of Bukowski'.

*Appropriating Hemingway* Ron McFarland 2014-12-03 In more than 30 novels, several short stories, graphic novels, movies, plays and poems, Ernest Hemingway has been introduced or "appropriated" as an important fictional character. This book is an inquiry into that phenomenon from various perspectives—including that of fan fiction—and deals with such questions as what, if anything, this biographical

fiction adds to the dialogue about America's best known and most talked about writer. Alaska James A. Michener 2002-11-12 In this sweeping epic of the northernmost American frontier, James A. Michener guides us through Alaska's fierce terrain and history, from the long-forgotten past to the bustling present. As his characters struggle for survival, Michener weaves together the exciting high points of Alaska's story: its brutal origins; the American acquisition; the gold rush; the tremendous growth and exploitation of the salmon industry; the arduous construction of the Alcan Highway, undertaken to defend the territory during World War II. A spellbinding portrait of a human community fighting to establish its place in the world, Alaska traces a bold and majestic saga of the enduring spirit of a land and its people. Praise for Alaska "Few will escape the allure of the land and people [Michener] describes. . . . Alaska takes the reader on a journey through

one of the bleakest, richest, most foreboding, and highly inviting territories in our Republic, if not the world. . . . The characters that Michener creates are bigger than life."—Los Angeles Times Book Review "Always the master of exhaustive historical research, Michener tracks the settling of Alaska [in] vividly detailed scenes and well-developed characters."—Boston Herald "Michener is still, sentence for sentence, writing's fastest attention grabber."—The New York Times

*South of No North* Charles Bukowski 2009-03-17 *South of No North* is a collection of short stories written by Charles Bukowski that explore loneliness and struggles on the fringes of society.

**Bukowski** Neeli Cherkovski 2020-07-28 Meet the man behind the myth in the only full-fledged biography of the American novelist, poet, and legend by a close friend and collaborator. Neeli Cherkovski began a deep friendship with Bukowski in the 1960s while guzzling beer at wrestling



matches or during quieter evenings discussing life and literature in Bukowski's East Hollywood apartment. Over the decades, those hundreds of conversations took shape as this biography—now with a new preface, “This Thing Upon Me Is Not Death: Reflections on the Centennial of Charles Bukowski.” Bukowski, author of *Ham on Rye*, *Post Office*, and other bestselling novels, short stories, and poetry collections only ever wanted to be a writer. Maybe that's why Bukowski's voice is so real and immediate that readers felt included in a conversation. “In his written work, he's a hero, a fall guy, a comic character, a womanizing lush, a wise old dog,” biographer Neeli Cherkovski writes. “His readers do more than glimpse his many-sidedness. For some, it's a deep experience. They feel as if his writing opens places inside of themselves they might never have seen otherwise. Often a reader comes away feeling heroic, because the poet has shown them that their ordinary lives

are imbued with drama.” Full of anecdotes, wisdom, humor, and insight, this is an essential companion to the work of a great American writer. Long-time Bukowski fans will come away with fresh insights while readers new to his work will find this an exhilarating introduction. “A treasure trove for Bukowski fans . . .

Cherkovski's access to his subject allows him an intimacy otherwise impossible.” —John Rechy, *Los Angeles Times*  
[You Get So Alone at Times](#)  
Charles Bukowski 2009-03-17  
Charles Bukowski examines cats and his childhood in *You Get So Alone at Times*, a book of poetry that reveals his tender side. The iconic tortured artist/everyman delves into his youth to analyze its repercussions. “The Walt Whitman of Los Angeles.”—Joyce Carol Oates  
“He brought everybody down to earth, even the angels.”—Leonard Cohen, songwriter  
*Charles Bukowski* Howard Sounes 2007-12-01 “A lively portrait of American

literature's 'Dirty Old Man'." —Library Journal A former postman and long-term alcoholic who did not become a full-time writer until middle age, Charles Bukowski was the author of autobiographical novels that captured the low life—including *Post Office*, *Factotum*, and *Women*—and made him a literary celebrity, with a major Hollywood film (*Barfly*) based on his life. Drawing on new interviews with virtually all of Bukowski's friends, family, and many lovers; unprecedented access to his private letters and unpublished writing; and commentary from Norman Mailer, Allen Ginsberg, Sean Penn, Mickey Rourke, Lawrence Ferlinghetti, R. Crumb, and Harry Dean Stanton, Howard Sounes has uncovered the extraordinary true story of the Dirty Old Man of American literature. Illustrated with drawings by Bukowski and over sixty photographs, *Charles Bukowski* is a must for Bukowski devotees and new readers alike. "Bukowski is one of those

writers people remember more for the legend than for the work . . . but, as Howard Sounes shows in this exhaustively researched biography, it wasn't the whole story." —Los Angeles Times "Engaging . . . Adroit . . . revealing." —The New York Times Book Review "A must-read for anybody who is a fan of Bukowski's writing." —The Globe and Mail (Toronto)

**The Ivory Thought** Gerald Lynch 2008-02-28 If one poet can be said to be the Canadian poet, that poet is Al Purdy (1918-2000). Numerous eminent scholars and writers have attested to this pre-eminent status. George Bowering described him as "the world's most Canadian poet" (1970), while Sam Solecki titled his book-length study of Purdy *The Last Canadian Poet* (1999). In *The Ivory Thought: Essays on Al Purdy*, a group of seventeen scholars, critics, writers, and educators appraise and reappraise Purdy's contribution to English literature. They explore Purdy's continuing

significance to contemporary writers; the life he dedicated to literature and the persona he crafted; the influences acting on his development as a poet; the ongoing scholarly projects of editing and publishing his writing; particular poems and individual books of poetry, fiction, and non-fiction; and the larger themes in his work, such as the Canadian North and the predominant importance of place. In addition, two contemporary poets pay tribute with original poems.

*Ham On Rye* Charles Bukowski 2009-10-13 "Wordsworth, Whitman, William Carlos Williams, and the Beats in their respective generations moved poetry toward a more natural language. Bukowski moved it a little farther." -Los Angeles Times Book Review In what is widely hailed as the best of his many novels, Charles Bukowski details the long, lonely years of his own hardscrabble youth in the raw voice of alter ego Henry Chinaski. From a harrowingly cheerless childhood in Germany through acne-riddled high school years

and his adolescent discoveries of alcohol, woman, and the Los Angeles Public Library's collection of D.H. Lawrence, *Ham on Rye* offers a crude, brutal, and savagely funny portrait of an outcast's coming-of-age during the desperate days of the Great Depression. **Never Met Bukowski** Terry McCarty 2016-12-11 Poems about growing older, adjusting to lowered expectations and walking in some of the footsteps of Charles Bukowski. Essential reading for those curious about the lives of aspiring poets/authors.

**Bukowski in Pictures** Howard Sounes 2001 Including drawings, cartoons, manuscripts, personal letters and illustrations as well as prose and poetry by Bukowski, this pictorial and textual biography of the great polemicist also features revelations gleaned from FBI documentation.

Charles Bukowski Epic Glottis Joan Jobe Smith 2012-11-24 A respectful, affectionate literary profile of novelist and poet Charles Bukowski (1920-1994).

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Awarding-winning writer Joan Jobe Smith -- a Pushcart Honoree -- shares up-close, personal recollections of her mentor and friend, Charles Bukowski. Charles Bukowski Epic Glottis also includes remembrances and comments from the women in Bukowski's life -- including Frances Dean Smith (francEyE), Ann Menebrocker, Linda King, and Pamela Miller Wood (aka Cupcakes). "Joan Jobe Smith's book is a joy! A terrific, sweet, loving book--the interviews, everyone's reminiscences, the poems & Fred Voss's, the First Bukowski Festival--a moving, endearing Love Song, the kind of thing that happens at funerals when people stand and spontaneously tell stories filled with their love & memories. A book full of heart, Joan's own love for Bukowski's girlfriends, her own large spirit makes her the perfect hostess for this festival & whenever she speaks of herself it's with self-effacing & humorous humility. Her sweetness & goodness permeates the whole book. I'm moved on every

page." STEVE KOWIT, author of The First Noble Truth(University of Tampa Press, 2007)

**Selected Letters Volume 2: 1965-1970** Charles Bukowski 2012-01-31 'I wrote letters to many in those days ... it was rather my way of screaming from my cage.' The 1960's saw Charles Bukowski struggle for recognition and slowly emerge as a unique, talented and prolific poet and writer, whilst holding down a day job at the Post Office. In Selected Letters: Volume 2 we see Bukowski becoming accustomed to his career as a professional writer. These letters to various friends, lovers and literary contacts provide an intimate and fascinating look at Bukowski's mind, his emotions, his attitude towards his own creativity and the comings and goings of his daily life.

**Love is a Dog From Hell** Charles Bukowski 2009-03-17 A classic in the Bukowski poetry canon, Love Is a Dog from Hell is a raw, lyrical, exploration of the exigencies,

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heartbreaks, and limits of love. A book that captures the Dirty Old Man of American letters at his fiercest and most vulnerable, on a subject that hits home with all of us.

Charles Bukowski was a man of intense emotions, someone an editor once called a “passionate madman.”

Alternating between tough and gentle, sensitive and gritty, Bukowski lays bare the myriad facets of love—its selfishness and its narcissism, its randomness, its mystery and its misery, and, ultimately, its true joyfulness, endurance, and redemptive power. "there is a loneliness in this world so great that you can see it in the slow movement of the hands of a clock."

**I Never Met a Story I Didn't**

**Like** Todd Snider 2014-04-22

For years, Todd Snider has been one of the most beloved country-folk singers in the United States. He had a Top 40 hit with “Talking Seattle Grunge Rock Blues,” which gave national audiences the first taste of his insightful songwriting, at once satirical

and sincere. Hailed by critics as one of the top albums of 2004, East Nashville Skyline was followed by The Devil You Know and The Excitement Plan. Snider's songs took on George W. Bush and America's recent involvement in foreign war, along with a host of more intimate topics. As good as Snider's albums have been, his in-concert monologues are even better. His shows are a loose-limbed, informal experience: it's often just him and a guitar. He introduces songs with stories that can run as long as twenty minutes, always displaying his charm and wit. As he's allowed his storytelling to evolve along with his music, Snider has become not only a modern day Bob Dylan but a modern day Will Rogers as well—an everyman whose intelligence, self deprecation, experience, and, above all, humor make him a uniquely American character.

**On Cats** Charles Bukowski 2015-12-01 A raw and tenderly funny look at the human-cat relationship, from one of our

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most treasured and transgressive writers. “The cat is the beautiful devil.” Felines touched a vulnerable spot in Charles Bukowski’s crusty soul. For the writer, there was something majestic and elemental about these inscrutable creatures he admired, sentient beings whose searing gaze could penetrate deep into our being. Bukowski considered cats to be unique forces of nature, elusive emissaries of beauty and love. *On Cats* offers Bukowski’s musings on these beloved animals and their toughness and resiliency. He honors them as fighters, hunters, survivors who command awe and respect as they grip tightly onto the world around them: “A cat is only ITSELF, representative of the strong forces of life that won’t let go.” Funny, moving, tough, and caring, *On Cats* brings together the acclaimed writer’s reflections on these animals he so admired. Bukowski’s cats are fierce and demanding—he captures them stalking their prey; crawling across his typewritten pages;

waking him up with claws across the face. But they are also affectionate and giving, sources of inspiration and gentle, insistent care. Poignant yet free of treacle, *On Cats* is an illuminating portrait of this one-of-a-kind artist and his unique view of the world, witnessed through his relationship with the animals he considered his most profound teachers.

Factotum Charles Bukowski 2009-10-13 “The Walt Whitman of Los Angeles.”—Joyce Carol Oates, bestselling author “He brought everybody down to earth, even the angels.”—Leonard Cohen, songwriter One of Charles Bukowski's best, this beer-soaked, deliciously degenerate novel follows the wanderings of aspiring writer Henry Chinaski across World War II-era America. Deferred from military service, Chinaski travels from city to city, moving listlessly from one odd job to another, always needing money but never badly enough to keep a job. His day-to-day existence spirals into an

endless litany of pathetic whores, sordid rooms, dreary embraces, and drunken brawls, as he makes his bitter, brilliant way from one drink to the next. Charles Bukowski's posthumous legend continues to grow. *Factotum* is a masterfully vivid evocation of slow-paced, low-life urbanity and alcoholism, and an excellent introduction to the fictional world of Charles Bukowski.

**Harold Norse** A. Robert Lee  
2022-03-01 Who was Harold Norse? Despite publishing over a dozen volumes of poetry between the early 1950s and the new millennium, until now, the Brooklyn-born Norse has been relegated to a footnote in accounts of twentieth century literary history. *Harold Norse: Poet Maverick, Gay Laureate* is the first collection of essays devoted to this enigmatic poet and visual artist. As this volume explores, Norse, who developed his craft while living in Europe during the 1950s and 1960s, is an important figure in the development of mid-twentieth century poetics.

During the 1950s and 1960s, Norse was a notable figure in the plethora of little poetry magazines published in the USA and Europe through to skirmishes with respectability and acceptance (Penguin and *City Lights*). Norse is a key figure in the development of the cut-up process made famous by his friend, William S. Burroughs. His correspondence with his mentor, the poet William Carlos Williams, captures his poetic shifts from formalism to the development of his Brooklyn idiom, while his gripping autobiography, *Memoirs of a Bastard Angel*, documents his transatlantic networks of writers and artists, among them James Baldwin, Allen Ginsberg, and Charles Bukowski. And after returning to the US in the late 1960s, Norse emerged as leading figure in Gay Liberation poetry. List of contributors: Jan Herman, Erik Mortenson, A. Robert Lee, Fiona Paton, Daniel Kane, Steven Belletto, Estíbaliz Encarnación-Pinedo, Ronna C. Johnson, Kurt Hemmer, Chad Weidner,

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Benjamin J. Heal, Tate Swindell, Andrew McMillan, Douglas Field, Jay Jeff Jones, Todd Swindell, and James Grauerholz.

**Charles Bukowski** David Charlson 2006-02-06 Charles Bukowski disliked academics, as this academic and readable book points out from page one onward of its introduction, "Charles Bukowski vs. American Ways." Begun before Bukowski died in 1994, Charles Bukowski: Autobiographer, Gender Critic, Iconoclast was the first doctoral dissertation on his prose and poetry up to that date, and it is offered now for fans and academics alike-no more need for black-market sales. Chapter One, "Placing Bukowski," introduces Bukowski's amazing life and career and relates his work to influential predecessors (primarily Ernest Hemingway and John Fante) and four contemporaries (Raymond Carver, Kurt Vonnegut, Frederick Exley, and Hunter Thompson). Chapter Two, "Bukowski Among the Autobiographers," pursues

Bukowski's comprehensive autobiographical project. Harnessing Timothy Dow Adams' concept of "strategic lying," the chapter follows Bukowski's thinly veiled personae through three stages-first through the attention-getting "Dirty Old Man," then responding to the attention and (re)defining himself, finally culminating in "Henry Chinaski," the hero of Bukowski's five autobiographical novels. Chapter Three, "Problems of Masculinity: At 'Home,' at Work, at Play," tackles the knee-jerk assessment of Bukowski as just a sexist "Dirty Old Man." Michael Kaufman's "triad of men's violence" (against women, other men, and themselves) explains the general Bukowski persona as a complicated gender construct. Bukowski's Bildungsroman, Ham on Rye, shows Chinaski as victim, practitioner, and critic of male violence, with the last role figuring into his other work too. Chapter Four, "Bukowski vs. 'Institution Art,'" classifies this challenging

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author as both populist and avant-garde. As general postmodern phenomenon, he blends the democratic accessibility of populist writing with the adventurous gesturing of the avant-garde, and the result is direct, daring, truthful, and funny. The book's conclusion, "Summing Up: Giving Bukowski His Due," predicts that Bukowski will be read far into the 21st century. Buy his books before you buy this one.

**The Comics Journal Library**

Gary Groth 2015-01-15 The definitive Comics Journal interviews with the cartoonists behind Zap Comix, featuring: Supreme 1960s counterculture/underground artist Robert Crumb on how acid unleashed a flood of Zap characters from his unconscious; Marxist brawler Spain Rodriguez on how he made the transition from the Road Vultures biker gang to the exclusive Zap cartoonists' club; Yale alumnus Victor Moscoso and Christian surfer Rick Griffin on how their poster-art psychedelia formed

the backdrop of the 1960s San Francisco music scene; Savage Id-choreographer S. Clay Wilson on how his dreams insist on being drawn; Painter and Juxtapoz-founder Robert Williams on how Zap #4 led to 150 news-dealer arrests; Fabulous, Furry, Freaky Gilbert Shelton on the importance of research; Church of the Subgenius founder Paul Mavrides on getting a contact high during the notorious Zap jam sessions; and much more.

In these career-spanning interviews, the Zap contributors open up about how they came to create a seminal, living work of art.

**You're Doing Just Fine**

Charlotte Eriksson 2015-12-16 Take a shower, wash off the day. Drink a glass of water. Make the room dark. Lie down and close your eyes. Notice the silence. Notice your heart. Still beating. Still fighting. You made it, after all. You made it, another day. And you can make it one more. You're doing just fine. Named after the poem that has been shared over 400,000 times on Tumblr, this

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is the third book from young author and songwriter Charlotte Eriksson. A collection of prose and poetry with the theme of hope, recovery and finding beauty in the darkness. An exploration of the life of a young artist with an aching heart, urged by a wanderlust that leads and directs, and the simple task of learning how to live with yourself. "Charlotte knows her reader so well that it feels like she's writing my very own journal."

**The Continual Condition**

Charles Bukowski 2010-10-05  
In the literary pantheon, Charles Bukowski remains a counterculture luminary. A hard-drinking wild man of literature and a stubborn outsider to the poetry world, he has struck a chord with generations of readers, writing raw, tough poetry about booze, work, and women in an authentic voice that is, like the work of the Beats, iconoclastic and even dangerous. Edited by his longtime publisher, John Martin, of Black Sparrow Press, and now in paperback, *The Continual Condition*

includes more of this legend's never-before-collected poems. [Shakespeare Never Did This](#)  
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the strongest know that death is final and the happiest are those gifted with the shortest journey.

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