



The Consummation of Dirk (Paperback)

By Jonathan Callahan

Starcherone Books, United States, 2013. Paperback. Condition: New. New.. Language: English . Brand New Book. Winner of the eighth Starcherone Prize for Innovative Fiction, as selected by final judge Zachary Mason. The stories in this collection have the texture of the long bad nights that one keeps to oneself and is prone to think no one else experienced. The gifted children contemplating murder, the husband drowning in melancholy, the pro basketball athlete finding his road to Damascus all emerge from adept torrents of words that bear comparison with Virginia Woolf and David Foster Wallace. --Zachary Mason, author of The Lost Books of the Odyssey What we see in The Consummation of Dirk is a mind at work, a mind on overdrive, a mind that is relentlessly chasing down thoughts that tumble and slide and build and then circle back home only to be sent out into the world again, broken and beautiful. Jonathan Callahan's stories are twisted and hilarious and brilliant and announce the arrival of an extraordinarily gifted writer. --Robert Lopez, author of Asunder Stanley Elkin once said that all jokes are really about powerlessness. If that's true, Jonathan Callahan's various odes to failure, incompetence, and...



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