



## Kafkaesque: Stories Inspired by Franz Kafka (Paperback)

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Tachyon Publications, United States, 2011. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 226 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. The tourist shops of Prague sell dozens of items commemorating Franz Kafka. You can drink a latte in the Cafe Kafka, add sugar to it from a packet with Kafka s face on it, and then light your cigarette from a box of Kafka matches. Franz Kafka died in obscurity in 1924, publishing only a handful of bizarre stories in little-known literary magazines. Yet today he persists in our collective imaginations. Even those who have never read any of Kafka s fiction describe their tribulations with the Department of Motor Vehicles as being Kafkaesque. Kafkaesque explores the fiction of generations of authors inspired by Kafka s work. These dystopic, comedic, and ironic tales include T. C. Boyle s roadside garage that is a never-ending trial, Philip Roth s alternate history in which Kafka immigrates to America to date his aunt, Jorge Luis Borges s labyrinthine public lottery that redefines reality, Carol Emshwiller s testimony by the first female to earn the right to call herself a man, and Paul Di Filippo s unfamiliar Kafka--journalist by day, costumed crime-fighter by night. Also...



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