

# ✿ The April 3rd Incident: Stories kindle Epub ✿ Author Yu Hua – Soccerjerseys- wholesale.co

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This collection of early stories from one of China's most exciting contemporary writers is a challenging but rewarding read. Think Kafka, Beckett or Camus and you get the idea. These are enigmatic, elusive tales of almost surreal moments in the lives of characters, who inhabit worlds where footsteps echo, shadows lurk and strangers may or may not be conspiring against them. Read against the history of China since the 1940s these are tales of isolation and the state control of individual subjects, where blossoming individuality becomes fantastical and threatening. Profound and fractured, this is a wonderful collection. Definitely recommended. With thanks to the publisher and Edelweiss for an ARC in return for an honest and unbiased review. There's something unpolished and hasty that hovers over all of the stories, but the flashes of brilliance shine through very strongly. These are early stories, as I understand it, and especially in the light of his later masterpieces, for me these early stories cement Yu Hua's standing as a high quality writer with a superlative grasp of post-realist world building. These stories show how he got there, for good and bad. This is my first exposure to Yu Hua and I will most assuredly be seeking out of his work in the future. This book collects some of his earliest stories from the late 80s and early 90s, just as China was coming out of years of Maoist rule and beginning to reform its identity on the world stage. These themes of fractured identity and grappling with the absurdities of modern life are the through line that connects all of these stories together. The title story follows a young man

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who becomes convinced that everyone in his life is watching him, reporting on him, and that he is the center of some elaborate conspiracy As the North Wind Howls goes full on Kafka as a man is dragged out of his apartment to the death bed of a person he has never seen before but everyone is convinced is the narrator s best friend Bleakly humorous, dreamlike, fractured, and beautifully written this collection of stories provides a good example of why Yu Hua is such a powerful influence on modern Chinese literature Fans of magical realism and dark comedy will find a lot to enjoy here.

February 11th, 2019 I read The April 3rd Incident in one day. February 11th, 2019. The words are so new yet familiar The New Chinese Novel Something will surely happen. Tomorrow is now today. February 11th, 2019 I open it in the darkness My new book is steeped in tradition, fragmented by modernity, earthquakes and aftershocks to tremor through my head and my heart. Somehow I was prepared to welcome it, though I was about to leave. Somehow I was ready. February 11th, 2019 Yu Hua wrote The April 3rd Incident in 1987, for it to be translated almost thirty years later That was the year before my parents arrived from the other side of the ocean He wrote my thoughts before I thought them I thought them before I read them His words have moved the earth below and within me This book is the bridge I found out who I am today. February 11th, 2019 The little red book juts from the shelf, its spine embossed with gold. Yu Hua s lucid words draw me towards it, even before I have turned the pages, like the glow of dawn that I can feel before I open my eyes, before it departs with the fleeing hours to become high noon and moon. I better wake before I miss the train Every time I remember I discover The past is my present Memory deja vu I see myself through Yu Hua s eyes, complemented in these passages of time. April 3rd is his birthday I ll count it as my second. Finishing the day with the beautiful inevitability of each story going off to fill in the missing pieces, I will read it again soon. Written in the 80s 90s of post Maoist China, Yu Hua s stories will make you feel all the surreal, sad tension that still isn t really talked about openly there. Really lovely collection of stories I will warn that listening to the audio book version of this novel is near impossible for some of the stories due to the writing style I would reread the sections I listened to on my drive a lot just to fully understand

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the passages I would not recommend using only an audio book for reading this piece. Every story is a trip Dark suspicion, paranoia, like trying to escape a bad dream A plane tree is otherwise known as an Old World Syca. From One Of China S Most Famous Contemporary Writers, Who Celebrated Novel To Live Catapulted Him To International Fame, Here Is A Stunning Collection Of Stories, Selected From The Best Of Yu Hua S Early Work, That Shows His Far Reaching Influence On A Pivotal Period In Chinese Literature In The Late S And Early S, Yu Hua And Other Young Chinese Writers Began To Reimagine Their National Literature Departing From Conventional Realism In Favor Of A Surreal And Subjective Approach Inspired By Kafka, Faulkner, And Borges, The Boundary Pushing Fiction Of This Period Reflected The Momentous Cultural Changes Sweeping The World S Most Populous Nation The Stories Collected Here Show Yu Hua Masterfully Guiding Us From One Fractured Reality To Another A History Of Two People Traces The Paths Of A Man And A Woman Who Dream In Parallel Throughout Their Lives In Memory Of Miss Willow Yang Weaves A Spellbinding Web Of Signs And Symbols As The North Wind Howled Carries A Case Of Mistaken Identity To Absurd And Hilarious Conclusions And The Title Story Follows An Unforgettable Narrator Determined To Unearth A Conspiracy Against Him That May Not Exist By Turns Daring, Darkly Comic, Thought Provoking, And Profound, The April Rd Incident Is An Extraordinary Record Of A Singular Moment In Chinese Letters

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