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The Death of the Heart McClelland & Stewart
A New York Review Books Original Mavis
Gallant is renowned as one of the great short-
story writers of our day. This new gathering of
long-unavailable or previously uncollected work

presents stories from 1951 to 1971 and shows
Gallant's progression from precocious virtuosity,
to accomplished artistry, to the expansive
innovatory spirit that marks her finest work.
"Madeleine's Birthday," the first of Gallant's
many stories to be published in The New Yorker,
pairs off a disaffected teenager, abandoned by her
social-climbing mother, with a complacent
middle-aged suburban housewife, in a subtly
poignant comedy of miscommunication that
reveals both characters to be equally adrift. "The
Cost of Living," the extraordinary title story, is
about a company of strangers, shipwrecked over
a chilly winter in a Parisian hotel and bound to

one another by animosity as much as by
unexpected love. Set in Paris, New York, the
Riviera, and Montreal and full of scrupulously
observed characters ranging from freebooters and
malingerers to runaway children and fashion
models, Gallant's stories are at once satirical and
lyrical, passionate and skeptical, perfectly
calibrated and in constant motion, brilliantly
capturing the fatal untidiness of life.

The Pegnitz Junction Everyman's
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In these ten dazzling interrelated
stories Atwood traces the course of a
life and also the lives intertwined with it,

while evoking the drama and the humour that colour common experiences—the birth of a baby, divorce and remarriage, old age and death. With settings ranging from Toronto, northern Quebec, and rural Ontario, the stories begin in the present, as a couple no longer young situate themselves in a larger world no longer safe. Then the narrative goes back in time to the forties and moves chronologically forward toward the present. In “The Art of Cooking and Serving,” the twelve-year-old narrator does her best to accommodate the arrival of a baby sister. After she boldly declares her independence, we follow the narrator into young adulthood and then through a complex relationship. In “The Entities,” the story of two women haunted by the past unfolds. The magnificent last two stories reveal the heartbreaking old age of parents but circle back again to childhood, to complete the cycle. By turns funny, lyrical, incisive, tragic, earthy, shocking, and deeply personal, *Moral Disorder* displays Atwood’s celebrated

storytelling gifts and unmistakable style to their best advantage. This is vintage Atwood, writing at the height of her powers. *Going Ashore* Non Pareil Books Raymond Carver, Alice Munro, John Updike, Gabriel García Márquez, Mavis Gallant, Julian Barnes, Michael Chabon, Jamaica Kincaid, John O'Hara, Muriel Spark, Ann Beattie, and William Maxwell are among the contributors to *Nothing But You: Love Stories from The New Yorker*--assembled by Roger Angell, senior editor at *The New Yorker*. This is the first fiction anthology in more than three decades from the magazine that has defined the American short story for almost a century. As noteworthy for its range as for its excellence, *Nothing But You* features a stunning array of present and past masters writing about love in all its varieties, from the classic love story to dislocated narratives of weird modern romance. Taken separately, these stories suggest the infinite variety of the human heart. Taken together, they are a literary milestone, a comprehensive review of the way we live and love now.

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FICTION-GENERAL

The End of Gay Ballantine Books Short Stories. This first-ever selection of Alice Munro's stories sums up her genius. Her territory is the secrets that cackle beneath the facade of everyday lives, the pain and promises, loves and fears of apparently ordinary men and women whom she renders extraordinary and unforgettable.

Home Truths Everyman's Library

In *Home Truths*, Mavis Gallant draws us into the tricky labyrinth of human behaviour, while offering readers her unique, clear-eyed vision of Canadians both at home and abroad. Ranging in time and place from small-town Quebec during the Depression, to Geneva and Paris in the 1950s, to contemporary Vancouver Island, these

stories explore the remorseless cruelty of children, the tensions that affect all families, the dangerous but endearing naïveté of young girls in love with Europe, and the terrible distances that divide people who love each other. And in the celebrated "Linnet Muir" stories, Gallant draws on her own experiences to portray a sensitive and alarmingly perceptive young girl growing up in Montreal in the 1930s and 1940s. Incisive, darkly humorous, and compassionate, *Home Truths* is a vibrant collection of stories from one of our finest writers. [Selected Stories](#) New York Review of Books

In *Across the Bridge*, four of the eleven stories are connected, following the fortunes of the Carette family in Montreal. In "1933," their

widowed mother teaches Berthe and Marie to deny that she was a seamstress and to say instead that she was "clever with her hands." In "The Chosen Husband," the luckless suitor Louis has to undergo the front-parlour scrutiny of Marie's mother and sister: "But then Louis began to cough and had to cover his mouth. He was in trouble with a caramel. The Carettes looked away, so that he could strangle unobserved." We then follow their marriage, the birth of Raymond, and Raymond's flight from his mother and aunt to his eventual role as a motel manager in Florida. With the exception of "The Fenton Child," an eerie story set in postwar Montreal, the other stories take place in the Paris Mavis Gallant knows so well. "Across the Bridge," the title story, begins with the narrator's mother throwing her reluctant daughter's wedding invitations into the Seine: "I watched the envelopes

fall in a slow shower and land on the dark water and float apart. Strangers leaned on the parapet and stared, too, but nobody spoke." This is a superb collection of stories by a writer at the top of her form.

Journals Open Road Media
The Death of the Heart is perhaps Elizabeth Bowen's best-known book. As she deftly and delicately exposes the cruelty that lurks behind the polished surfaces of conventional society, Bowen reveals herself as a masterful novelist who combines a sense of humor with a devastating gift for divining human motivations. In this piercing story of innocence betrayed set in the thirties, the orphaned Portia is stranded in the sophisticated and politely treacherous world of her wealthy half-brother's home in London. There she

encounters the attractive, carefree cad Eddie. To him, Portia is at once child and woman, and her fears her gushing love. To her, Eddie is the only reason to be alive. But when Eddie follows Portia to a sea-side resort, the flash of a cigarette lighter in a darkened cinema illuminates a stunning romantic betrayal--and sets in motion one of the most moving and desperate flights of the heart in modern literature.

Secrets of the Flesh Open Road Media

A collection of twenty short stories which originally appeared in the New Yorker during the 1950s and '60s.

The Uncollected Stories of Mavis Gallant Emblem Editions
One of the world's great short story writers emerges with a selection of stories from her past, a trove of hidden treasures. Mavis Gallant moved

from Montreal to Paris in 1950 to write short stories for a living. Since then she has continued to write, producing a remarkable body of work. In 1993, Robertson Davies said, "She has written many short stories. My calculation suggests that she has written in this form at least the equivalent of twenty novels." Many of her stories have been anthologized, notably in the 1996 classic *Selected Stories*, from which hundreds of pages had to be cut for reasons of length. These "embarrassment of riches" are restored in this collection, along with many other neglected treasures from her past. Arranged in the order in which they appeared, they shed light on people living through most of the second half of the twentieth century. More important, they show one of the greatest short story writers of our time at work, delineating a series of worlds with dramatic flair, dazzlingly precise

language, a wicked wit, and a vivid understanding of the human condition.
Home Truths National Geographic Books
The City of Lights, as seen by one of its greatest citizens and admirers Paris has been inspiring writers for centuries. Its neighborhoods and people make for a never-ending flow of potential stories. Mavis Gallant, Canadian by birth but Parisian since the 1950s, has created an incredibly loving and accomplished tribute to her adoptive home. In this collection, Gallant illustrates the surprising sense of interconnectedness that comes from living in a big city, as characters from one story drift into another, disappearing only to pop up again much later. The book's longest work depicts a wily art dealer looking to revive his business by "discovering" an obscure painter, despite the fact that

the artist is both Canadian and no longer living. Other tales depict the experiences of the Pugh family, as its American relatives attempt to connect with their French roots. Overhead in a Balloon weaves together the threads and experiences of a multitude of Parisians, each story suffused with Gallant's feel for detail and atmosphere.

Paris Stories New York : Random House

Set in Europe in the aftermath of the Second World War, the nine stories in this glittering collection reflect on the foibles and dilemmas of human relationships. An English family goes to the south of France for the sake of the father's health, and to get away from an England of rationing and poverty. A displaced person turned French soldier in Algeria now makes a living as an actor in Paris. A group of selfish English expatriates on the Italian Riviera are incredulous that Mussolini and the Germans may affect their lives. A great writer's quiet widow blossoms in

widowhood, to the surprise and alarm of her children, who send a ten-year-old grandson to Switzerland to keep her company one Christmas. Full of wry humour and penetrating insights, this is Mavis Gallant at her most unforgettable.

The Cost of Living New York : Random House

"This generous collection of fifty-two stories selected from across her prolific career by the author, is preceded by a preface in which she discusses the sources of her art. With irony and an unfailing eye for the telling detail, Gallant weaves stories of spare complexity, often pushing the boundaries of the form in boldly unconventional directions. The settings in the COLLECTED STORIES range from Paris to Berlin to Switzerland, from the Riviera to the Cote d'Azur, and her characters are almost all exiles of one sort or another, as she herself was the most of her expatriate life. The wit and precision of

her prose, combined with her expansive view of humanity, provide a rare and deep reading pleasure. With breathtaking control and compression, Gallant delivers a whole life, a whole world, in each story."

Mavis Gallant University of Toronto Press

With a confidante's insights, Marta Dvořák sets up an innovative connection between Mavis Gallant's dazzling writing and the whole spectrum of the arts. She simultaneously engages with the feats of art making and the adventures of reading, looking, and listening.

Drawing on private correspondence and conversations with the Gallant she repositions as a late modernist, Dvořák investigates the relationships between the Paris-based master of the short story and visual and

sound culture. Through the filter of philosophical aesthetics, she identifies the painterly, cinematic, and musical dynamics which light up Gallant's craft. At the same time, she opens a dialogue between Gallant and other international modernists and with those they were reading, watching, and listening to, from the moving pictures which shaped Gallant's generation to the rhythm and dissonance of, say, Stravinsky and jazz, which ? like the Cubist rupture with spatial perspective ? spearheaded modernity's aesthetics of breakage. How does Gallant's work work? Dvořák's hands-on rhetorical analyses of Gallant's stories and lesser-known, recently reissued novels illuminate the superb stylist's language and vision via an emphasis on both image

and rhythm. Providing keys to Gallant's famous sleights-of-hand and tonal shifts, the discussions reveal a fictional world as multidimensional as a Cubist picture or a symphony ? depending on whether we lean towards the eye or the ear.

The Selected Stories of Mavis

Gallant Markham, Ont. : Penguin Books

A NEW YORK REVIEW BOOKS ORIGINAL Mavis Gallant is a contemporary legend, a frequent contributor to The New Yorker for close to fifty years who has, in the words of The New York Times, "radically reshaped the short story for decade after decade." Michael Ondaatje's new selection of Gallant's work gathers some of the most memorable of her stories set in Europe and Paris, where Gallant has long lived. Mysterious, funny, insightful, and heartbreaking, these are tales of expatriates and exiles, wise children and straying saints. Together they compose a secret history, at once intimate and panoramic, of modern times.

Paris Notebooks Open Road Media
Enthralling essays on the expatriate experience in Paris and shrewd literary criticism by one of the twentieth century's finest writers. Mavis Gallant is revered as one of the great short story writers of her generation, but she was also an astute observer and formidable reporter. This selection of Gallant's essays and reviews written between 1968 and 1985 begins with her impressions of the Parisian student uprising in May 1968. Originally published in The New Yorker, "The Events in May" inspired Wes Anderson's film The French Dispatch and Gallant herself served as inspiration for the journalist portrayed by Frances McDormand. Paris Notebooks presents a whole range of subjects portraying French society, ranging from architecture and literature to the gripping story of Gabrielle Russier, a young French schoolteacher driven to

imprisonment, madness, and suicide as the result of an affair with one of her students. Also included are Gallant's astute reviews of books by major figures such as Vladimir Nabokov, Simone de Beauvoir, Colette, and Günter Grass. No matter what form she's working in, Mavis Gallant's flawless prose is always full of wit and acuity. This Nonpareil edition includes a new introduction by acclaimed literary biographer Hermione Lee.

Montreal Stories Open Road Media "These ten stories ring with voices belonging to--among others--English Arctic explorers in one of history's most nightmarish expeditions, a young contemporary American negotiating the shockingly underreported hazards of our crude-oil trains, eighteenth-century French balloonists inventing manned flight, and two mid-nineteenth-century housewives trying to forge a connection despite their isolation on the frontier of

settlement. In each case the personal is the political as these characters face everything from the emotional pitfalls of everyday life to historic catastrophes on a global scale"--

Overhead in a Balloon Random House When Mavis Gallant was fifteen years old, she told a friend that she would live as a writer in Paris and be published by the New Yorker. It later turned out that she would not only realise her dream, but become one of the most beloved masters of the modern short story. Between lengthy periods of writing, Gallant decided to keep a diary documenting her travels, as she moved beyond Paris to get inspiration for her stories. Published here for the first time are Gallant's diaries from the 1950s and 1960s (minus those which she burned). From tales of the poverty she saw in Madrid to the love stories she watched unfold from benches in Paris, the diaries paint a remarkable portrait of Gallant as a young woman, and include astonishing snapshots of the huge range of friends and colleagues who populated her life,

from legendary editors, Diana Athill, William Maxwell and William Shawn to fellow writers A. J. Leventhal, Czeslaw Milosz and Brian Moore. More than just a look at the characters and sentiments of that period, Mavis Gallant's journals reveal an individual looking at her surroundings with an artist's eye. They capture how she struggled to support herself, the personal issues that impacted upon her work and the moment when she felt like giving up not only her writing, but her life too. A unique insight into an incredible literary icon.

In Transit New York Review of Books

The ultimate collection of stories by 'one of the great short-story writers of our time' (Michael Ondaatje) 'Gallant is funny, exacting and stern - in fact, an old fashioned moralist ... luminescent, subtle and lasting, Gallant's chronicles of internal and external exile are a fitting tribute to a diasporic century' Guardian 'Stories are not chapters of novels. They should not be read one after another, as if they were meant to follow along. Read one.

Shut the book. Read something else. Come back later. Stories can wait' Mavis Gallant In 1950, THE NEW YORKER accepted one of Mavis Gallant's short stories for publication and she has since become the one of the most accomplished and respected short story writers of her time. Gallant is an undisputed master whose peerless prose captures the range of human experience in her sweeping portraits set in Europe in the second half of the last century. An expatriate herself, her stories deal with exile, displacement, of love and of estranged emotions, but they are never conventional. This collection of fifty-two stories, written between 1953 and 1995, is timeless, to be savoured and re-read.

Across the Bridge Doubleday Canada

This generous collection of fifty-two stories, selected from across her prolific career by the author, includes a preface in which she discusses the sources of

her art. A widely admired master of the short story, Mavis Gallant was a Canadian-born writer who lived in France and died in 2014 at the age of ninety-one. Her more than one hundred stories, most published in The New Yorker over five decades beginning in 1951, have influenced generations of writers and earned her comparisons to Anton Chekhov, Henry James, and George Eliot. She has been hailed by Michael Ondaatje as "one of the great story writers of our time." With irony and an unfailing eye for the telling detail, Gallant weaves stories of spare complexity, often pushing the boundaries of the form in boldly unconventional directions. The settings in The Collected Stories range from Paris to Berlin to Switzerland, from the Italian Riviera to the

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