



## Tobias Wolff

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### Bio

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#### BIO

Tobias Wolff is the author of the novels *The Barracks Thief* and *Old School*, the memoirs *This Boy's Life* and *In Pharaoh's Army*, and the short story collections *In the Garden of the North American Martyrs*, *Back in the World*, and *The Night in Question*. His most recent collection of short stories, *Our Story Begins*, won The Story Prize for 2008. Other honors include the PEN/Malamud Award and the Rea Award - both for excellence in the short story - the Los Angeles Times Book Prize, and the PEN/Faulkner Award. He has also been the editor of *Best American Short Stories*, *The Vintage Book of Contemporary American Short Stories*, and *A Doctor's Visit: The Short Stories of Anton Chekhov*. His work appears regularly in *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic*, *Harper's*, and other magazines and literary journals.

#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Emeritus Faculty, Acad Council, English

#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Jones Lecturer in Creative Writing, Stanford University, (1976-1978)
- Instructor, English and Creative Writing, Arizona State University, (1978-1980)
- Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor, English Department, Syracuse University, (1980-1989)
- Jesse Truesdell Peck Professor of English, English Department, Syracuse University, (1989-1997)

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

- Wallace Stegner Fellowship, Stanford University (1975)
- Fellowship, National Endowment for the Arts (1978)
- Mary Roberts Rinehart Foundation Award, Mary Roberts Rinehart Foundation (1979)
- Arizona Council on the Arts and Humanities Fiction Award, Arizona Council on the Arts and Humanities (1980)
- St. Lawrence Award for Fiction, Black Lawrence Press (1982)
- Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship, Guggenheim Foundation (1983)
- Fellowship, National Endowment for the Arts (1985)
- PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction, PEN/Faulkner Foundation (1985)
- Resident Artist's Fellowship, German Academy (1988)
- Finalist, National Book Critics Circle Award, National Book Critics Circle (1989)
- Rea Award for Excellence in the Short Story, Dungannon Foundation (1989)
- Los Angeles Times Book Award, Los Angeles Times (1989)
- Whiting Foundation Award, Whiting Foundation (1989)

- Ambassador Book Award, English Speaking Union (1990)
- Lila Wallace Foundation Award, Lila Wallace Foundation (1993)
- Lyndhurst Foundation Award, Lyndhurst Foundation (1994)
- Finalist, National Book Award, National Book Foundation (1994)
- Esquire-Volvo-Waterstone's Award for Nonfiction, Esquire-Volvo-Waterstone (1994)
- Finalist, Los Angeles Times Book Award, Los Angeles Times (1995)
- Chancellor's Citation for Exceptional Achievement, Syracuse University (1995)
- Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa, Santa Clara University (1996)
- Fellow, honoris causa, Hertford College, Oxford University (2000)
- Academy Award in Literature, American Academy of Arts and Letters (2001)
- Fairfax Prize for Lifetime Achievement in Literature, Fall for the Book Festival (2003)
- John Gardner Memorial Book Award, Harpur Palate (2004)
- Gold Medal, Bay Area Book Reviewers Association Award for Fiction, Bay Area Book Reviewers Association (2004)
- Silver Medal for Fiction, Commonwealth Club (2004)
- Finalist, National Book Critics Circle Award, National Book Critics Circle (2004)
- Finalist, PEN/Faulkner Award, PEN/Faulkner Foundation (2004)
- Finalist, Los Angeles Times Book Prize, Los Angeles Times (2004)
- Finalist, Prix de Medicis, La République des Lettres (2005)
- PEN/Malamud Award for Excellence in Short Fiction, PEN/Faulkner Foundation (2006)
- Barbary Coast Award for Lifetime Achievement in Literature, Litquake (2008)
- The Story Prize, The Story Prize (2009)
- The Stone Award for Lifetime Achievement in Literature, Oregon State University (2014)

## **BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

- Member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences (2009 - present)

## **PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION**

- M.A., Stanford University
- M.A., Oxon
- B.A., Oxford University , English Language and Literature

## **Publications**

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### **PUBLICATIONS**

- **Our Story Begins**  
Wolff, T.  
Knopf.2008
- **Old School**  
Wolff, T.  
Knopf.2003
- **The Night in Question**  
Wolff, T.  
Knopf.1996

- **In Pharaoh's Army: Memories of the Lost War**  
Wolff, T.  
Knopf.1994
- **The Vintage Book of Contemporary American Short Stories**  
edited by Wolff, T.  
Vintage.1994
- **Best American Short Stories**  
edited by Wolff, T., Kenison, K.  
Houghton Mifflin.1994
- **Ploughshares: Stories**  
edited by Wolff, T.  
Ploughshares / Emerson College.1993
- **This Boy's Life: A Memoir**  
Wolff, T.  
The Atlantic Monthly Press.1989
- **A Doctor's Visit: Short Stories**  
Chekhov, A.  
edited by Wolff, T.  
Bantam Classics.1988
- **Back in the World**  
Wolff, T.  
Houghton Mifflin.1985
- **The Barracks Thief**  
Wolff, T.  
Harper Collins.1984
- **Matters of Life and Death**  
edited by Wolff, T.  
Wampeter Press.1983
- **In the Garden of the North American Martyrs**  
Wolff, T.  
Ecco Press.1981