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# The 2023 Short Story Advent Calendar



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**25** STORIES **25** AUTHORS **25** DAYS

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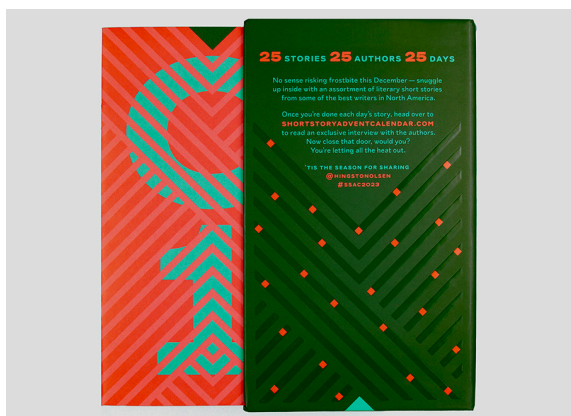
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Contributors to the 2023 Short Story Advent Calendar include:

**Melissa Broder** (*Milk Fed*)

**Thomas King** (*Indians on Vacation*)

**Naben Ruthnum** (*A Hero of Our Time*)

**Colin Winnette** (*Users*)

**Hilma Wolitzer** (*Today a Woman Went Mad in the Supermarket*)

+ 20 more

(Please note: These are literary, non-religious stories for adults.)

After they've read that day's story, readers can visit the H&O website to read an exclusive interview with the author. Plus, all month long readers can follow H&O on social media (we're @hingstonolsen on Twitter and Instagram) and use the hashtag #SSAC2023 to be part of our curated online book club, chatting with other readers around the world about each day's story.

## Details

The 2023 Short Story Advent Calendar

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