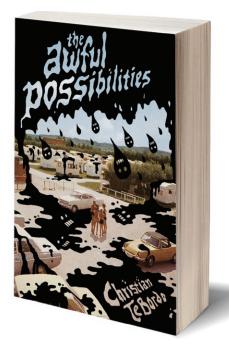


## The Awful Possibilities Christian TeBordo

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"Christian TeBordo shows that it is possible to be, simultaneously, a wise old soul and a crazed young terror."

—George Saunders, who received a MacArthur Genius Grant shortly after saying this.

"The Awful Possibilities of Christian TeBordo put me in mind of Quentin Tarantino on short story juice. The violence and depravity ride the surface, where I like them, and the heart is a lyrical heart. Add to that creepy postcards with cryptic messages and this collection attacks from all sides."

—Jeff Parker, author of Ovenman

## Dear Tastemaker,

Cult followings are hard-earned, and Christian TeBordo has paid his dues. Over the past five years, TeBordo has released three astonishing novels, beginning with 2005's *The Conviction and Subsequent Life of Savior Neck*—a breathtakingly original and thrilling upending of the noir genre, and extending to 2007's *We Go Liquid*, a haunting story of a kid who may be haunted by his deceased mother, via e-mail.

It's the type of inspiring young career that attracts an ever-expanding, devout fan base who will be happy to learn his first collection of short stories, *The Awful Possibilities* (On Sale Date: May 1, 2010, \$14.95, ISBN 978-0-9771992-9-7, Distributed to the trade by Publishers Group West) is on the way, and accompanied by tantalizingly strange postcards.

In the barn-burning opener, "SS Attacks," a kid plots a school shooting after formulating a byzantine hip-hop ethos. In the scalding, "The Champion of Forgetting," a girl learns a new way of managing information when she's kidnapped by kidney thieves. You've heard these people whispering in hallways, mumbling in diners, shouting in the apartment next door. In brilliantly strange set pieces that explode the boundaries of short fiction, TeBordo locates the awe in the awful possibilities we could never have imagined.



We're excited to announce advanced copies are now available for review, and TeBordo is available for interviews, and will be touring across the country. No one writes a story like TeBordo: filled with darkness but spackled by the light of humor, and always on point about the zeitgeist; exactly the type of fiction that speaks to new readers and refreshes the old. Featherproof Books is elated to bring the cult of TeBordo to the masses.

Thank you for your time, Linas

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Christian TeBordo has published three novels: *The Conviction and Subsequent Life of Savior Neck, Better Ways of Being Dead* and *We Go Liquid*. This is his first collection of short fiction. He lives in Philadelphia.

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