

From Lauren Groff, author of the critically acclaimed and bestselling novel *Fates and Furies*, comes *Delicate Edible Birds*, one of the most striking short fiction debuts in years. Here are nine stories of astonishing insight and variety, each revealing a resonant drama within the life of a twentieth-century American woman. In *Sir Fleeting*, a Midwestern farm girl on her honeymoon in Argentina falls into lifelong lust for a French playboy. In *Blythe*, an attorney who has become a stay-at-home mother takes a night class in poetry and meets another full-time mother, one whose charismatic brilliance changes everything. In *The Wife of the Dictator*, that eponymous wife (brought back ... from [the dictators] last visit to America) grows more desperately, menacingly isolated every day. In *Delicate Edible Birds*, a group of war correspondents—a lone, high-spirited woman among them—falls sudden prey to a brutal farmer while fleeing Nazis in the French countryside. In *Lucky Chow Fun*, Groff returns us to Templeton, the setting of her first book, for revelations about the darkness within even that idyllic small town. In some of these stories, enormous changes happen in an instant. In others, transformations occur across a lifetime—or several lifetimes. Throughout the collection, Groff displays particular and vivid preoccupations. Crime is a motif—sex crimes, a possible murder, crimes of the heart. Love troubles recur; they're in every story—love in alcoholism, in adultery, in a flood, even in the great flu epidemic of 1918. Some of the love has depths, which are understood too late; some of the love is shallow, and also understood too late. And mastery is a theme—Groff's women swim and baton twirl, become poets, or try and try again to achieve the inner strength to exercise personal freedom. Overall, these stories announce a notable new literary master. Dazzlingly original and confident, *Delicate Edible Birds* further solidifies Groff's reputation as one of the foremost talents of her generation.

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*Delicate Edible Birds* is a short story collection written by Lauren Groff. Groff was born and Hopely, Washington Times, February 22, ; *Delicate Edible Birds : And Other Stories* Book Review, Publishers Weekly, December 12, A Summary - Characters.

All of the stories here focus on women who fit the "delicate, edible bird" description with their weaknesses and vulnerabilities. Since this collection is made up entirely of stories about women, it is not much of a stretch to infer that Lauren Groff figures her women as "delicate, edible." The Paperback of the *Delicate Edible Birds: And Other Stories* by Lauren Groff at Barnes & Noble. FREE Shipping on \$ or more!. Lauren Groff follows up *The Monsters of Templeton*, her joyous first novel, with *Delicate Edible Birds*, nine stories of astonishing insight and variety, each. *Delicate Edible Birds and Other Stories* is a collection of short stories written by Lauren Groff, author of *The Monsters of Templeton*. The stories are unique and. NPR coverage of *Delicate Edible Birds: And Other Stories* by Lauren Groff. News, author interviews, critics' picks and more. Groff follows up *The Monsters of Templeton*

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