

Good Friday

by Tony Wolk

Brace yourself for a collision between 1865 and 1955. Joan Matcham has just discovered that she's pregnant by a man who died ninety years earlier: Abraham Lincoln. His brief sojourn to the Illinois of 1955 ended, he is returned to his own time and place, leaving Joan to deal with the consequences of their night together. Even as friendship, impending motherhood, and a new love revive Joan, she is haunted by recurring visions of the last week of Lincoln's life.

This alternative history tale brings Lincoln's emotions and thoughts to the modern reader, from 1865, through 1955, all the way to us in the present. With references to Shakespeare, *Arabian Nights* and others, Tony Wolk's *Good Friday* is truly an intimate and compelling story that defies classification and appeals to readers across genres.

Good Friday—the sequel to *Abraham Lincoln, A Novel Life*—is the second of Wolk's novels published by Ooligan Press, the teaching press at Portland State University. A remarkable work, *Good Friday* is sure to leave readers eagerly anticipating the final installment of Wolk's Lincoln trilogy.

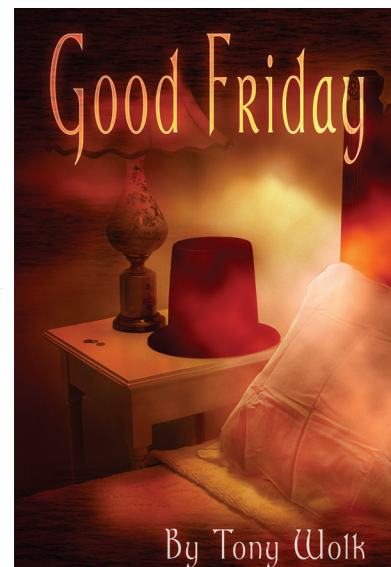
Good Friday is more than good. It's an enchanting and artfully rendered novel by a writer of generous heart. It's a delicate and lovely book filled with tenderness, wisdom, grace and hope. And it will henceforth be impossible for me to imagine Lincoln without also—happily, heartbreakingly—imagining the world he shares with Joan Matcham.

— Molly Glass author of *The Jump-Off Creek*

Praise for *Abraham Lincoln, A Novel Life*:

Many wonderful things have been written about Abraham Lincoln, but never anything like this poignant, pixilated tale of the past turning to the future and the future to the past.

— Ursula Le Guin author of *Gifts*



About the author:

Finishing with his PhD from the University of Nebraska in 1965, Tony Wolk moved to Portland, Oregon and began teaching at Portland State University.

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