

Plays For The End Of The Century By Bonnie Marranca

The latest of PAJ 's acclaimed Wordplays anthologies of new American plays and performance texts Plays for the End of the Century features nine recent works by writers whose unconventional dramatic visions contrast strongly with the more sociological and journalistic theater dominating the contemporary stage. These writers emphasize spiritual states beyond the world of reality and the yearning for alternate modes of feeling and communication in plays that are daring in their choice of form and literary illusion even as they refer to fierce conflicts in the American way of life. In the attention given in the texts to poetic language concepts of grace sin and redemption religious iconography and the creation of transcendent worlds Plays for the End of the Century generates a composite portrait of the soul in crisis--a spiritual history of America--at the approach of the millennium: Praise for the Wordplays series: Some of the best contemporary drama being written around the country, Recommended for all appropriate collections serving undergraduates at all levels and graduate students as well. -- Choice Plays For The End Of The Century

