

Pullman fan fiction, interview

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Adam Stephanides — 19 May 2001, 17:35

A long time ago, iirc, somebody asked if there was any Wolfe fan fiction. I did a little research into the question, and as far as I can tell there is none, at least not on the web. No Crowley fanfic, either. But an omnibus fanfic site, www.fanfiction.net, lists 59 fanfics for His Dark Materials. The subject matter of most of these should be obvious once you think about it. (I'm not going to say more because it's a Big Fat Spoiler.) By comparison, as of two hours ago this site listed 13081 Harry Potter fanfics. (That is not a typo.)

While investigating this question, I discovered that there was an online discussion on HDM (now closed), in which Pullman participated and answered some questions. A few tidbits:

- 1) Later this year, he intends to write a companion volume to the trilogy, to be entitled THE BOOK OF DUST. It will combine stories set in the HDM multiverse with reference materials, including an exploration of the creation myth underlying HDM.
- 2) The UK edition of the trilogy had drawings by Pullman at the heads of the chapters of NORTHERN LIGHTS (the British title of GC) and SK, and epigraphs at the heads of the chapters of AS.
- 3) One of Pullman's favorite movies is CELINE AND JULIE GO BOATING. (This isn't particularly illuminating; I just thought it was intriguing, and it's one of my favorite movies too.)

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I just finished reading the trilogy, and have some thoughts about it, which I will post if and when I have time.

--Adam