

7 early stories

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Michael Andre-Driussi — 07 Mar 2002, 21:09

Adam Stephanides asked about some stories. I'll quote Joan Gordon by way of reply, adding a little:

Mountains Like Mice

"Wolfe's first published science-fiction story, this is an initiation story showing his characteristic interest in myth."

Hmmm. It has something of the feel of "'A Story' by John V. Marsch." It is set on a terraformed Mars, iirc.

Screen Test

"A non-science-fiction mystery story based on false assumptions."

It is a Chinese screen. Art object, not motion-picture initiation.

Volkswapon

"A straight mystery story"

A lake in the woods. Rape, murder, guns. And a Volkswagon, of course.

The Green Wall Said

"Crossed communications and the value of humanity."

Hmmm. A "Hollywood bowl" type dingus writes out a message from the stars, fragment by fragment.

It's Very Clean

"Who is real and who is not, in the sexual arena."

Thou Spark of Blood

"A spaceship murder with allusions to _Macbeth_."

King under the Mountain.

"A personal relationship between a man and a computer."

The computer is deep underground.

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