

Wraiths, Waifs and Wolves

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Nigel Price — 02 Jan 2003, 23:17

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I bought a copy of "The Mammoth Book of Best New Science Fiction 15" today. This is Gardner Dozois's pick of what he regards as the best 26 SF stories of 2001. No Wolfe stories are included in the anthology, but three of his titles are given an "honourable mention" in an appendix listing the best "other" stories of 2001.

The three Wolfe stories mentioned are:

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"Viewpoint" (Redshift)

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Nigel

Roy C. Lackey — 03 Jan 2003, 06:14 · follows Nigel Price

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"Queen" is in it. It's pretty short. It may be the simplest story I've ever read by Wolfe. That is, I felt I knew what it was about before I even finished it. I don't think I would be giving away anything that isn't quite obvious, but here is some spoiler space.

It's an overtly religious story about the Assumption of Mary.

-Roy

Nigel Price — 03 Jan 2003, 19:06 · follows Roy C. Lackey

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short stories, Roy wrote:

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Whoops! I don't recall that at all. Thanks, Roy. I clearly haven't been paying proper attention.

There still seem to be plenty of uncollected Gene Wolfe short stories out there. When are we going to see the publication of a uniform, multi-volume edition of "The Complete Literary Works of Gene Wolfe", I wonder? These things come out after an author's death, so in that sense I certainly hope that it won't be published for many years yet. On the other hand, it would be a useful work to have. While I'm dreaming, a searchable electronic version of the complete texts would be useful too!

(The "Complete Works" should really be published as a proper, annotated, "Variorum" edition, of course. Perhaps some of the contributions to the Urth list will eventually make their way into the apparatus criticus or marginalia...)

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Josh Geller — 03 Jan 2003, 19:21 · follows Nigel Price

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The 'Vance Integral Edition' is scheduled to come out in February.

Jack Vance is pretty old, but he's not dead yet.

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