

In defense of Pandora, by Holly Hollander

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Matthew King — 10 Oct 2008, 17:08

On Fri, Oct 10, 2008 at 11:05 AM, Dan'l Danehy-Oakes <danldo at gmail.com> wrote:
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-- the last being the only Wolfe novel I don't think I'll ever reread.

In defense of Pandora, it is worth re-reading, at the very least because it has so many of the notorious Lupine tropes.

- mythological themes; subversion thereof
- a lamed man, with that explainer-of-things voice Wolfe so often uses (cf Silk, Ziggurat-dad, post-Valhalla Able).
- 1st person narrative, with layered provenance. "By Holly Hollander", but this nice writer from Chicago helped her out.
- exasperating lacunae. "I'll tell you about this thing later." Also just plain skipping bits, especially after something exciting happens.