

Suzanne Delage: another view

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Mo Holkar — 14 Dec 2010, 13:02

Hi all,

Coincidentally, just after the recent talk about 'Suzanne Delage', I came across the Chekhov short story 'The Beauties', which I wasn't previously familiar with. The text is here:

<http://www.ibiblio.org/eldritch/ac/beauties.htm>

In summary: the unnamed narrator encounters a very beautiful girl; some time later, he encounters another very beautiful girl. The story is almost completely devoid of incident, and (to me) has the same slightly dreamlike tone as 'Suzanne Delage'.

I don't know if much has been said about any influence of Chekhov on Wolfe: I couldn't find anything on this list's archives, anyway. But it seems likely that, Wolfe being Wolfe, he would be well versed in the writing of the master of the modern short story.

best wishes,

Mo

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