

Gene Wolfe and the Severian series

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Dick Smith — 17 Feb 1991, 05:32

In article <62671 at bbn.BBN.COM> mthome at bbn.com (Mike Thome) writes:

DMARKFIE at INDYMED.BITNET writes:

On the subject of Gene Wolfe, are there any people out there who have read _The Shadow of the Torturer_ and the other books in the series?

I've got most of the whole story of Severian and IMHO I found it a very hard read.

Not at all an uncommon experience with GW's works - My personal feelings about his novels run the gamut from interested frustration through near-awe ...

I made a half-joking comment to Gene Wolfe sometime between the publication of the 3rd and 4th books of this 4-logy, about being impatient with Sevarian's progress... his reply:

"Sevarian is a very slow walker."

Just in case you are wondering, I greatly enjoyed the _Book of the New Sun_. I'm less sure about some of Wolfe's later works, but that's for a different posting.