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Melanie Rae Thon

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Free Admission



Melanie Rae Thon's most recent book is the novel *Sweet Hearts*. She is also the author of *Meteors in August* and *Iona Moon*, and the story collections *First, Body* and *Girls in the Grass*. Her work has been included in *Best American Short Stories* (1995, 1996), three *Pushcart Prize Anthologies* (2003, 2006, 2008), and *O. Henry Prize Stories* (2006). She is also a recipient of a *Whiting Writer's Award* (1997), two fellowships from the *National Endowment for the Arts* (1992 and 2008), a *Writer's Residency* from the *Lannan Foundation* (2005), and a fellowship from the *Tanner Humanities Center* (2009). In 1996, *Granta* included her in the *Best of the Young American Novelists* issue.

Originally from Montana, she now lives in Salt Lake City, where she teaches at the University of Utah.