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Biography and Works

Eugene O'Neill Robert M. Dowling 2014-10-28 An “absorbing” biography of the playwright and Nobel laureate that “unflinchingly explores the darkness that dominated O’Neill’s life” (Publishers Weekly). This extraordinary biography fully captures the intimacies of Eugene O’Neill’s tumultuous life and the profound impact of his work on American drama, innovatively highlighting how the stories he told for the stage interweave with his actual life stories as well as the culture and history of his time. Much is new in this extensively researched book: connections between O’Neill’s plays and his political and philosophical worldview; insights into his Irish American upbringing and lifelong torment over losing faith in God; his vital role in African American cultural history; unpublished photographs, including a unique offstage picture of him with his lover Louise Bryant; new evidence of O’Neill’s desire to become a novelist and what this reveals about his unique dramatic voice; and a startling revelation about the release of Long Day’s Journey Into Night in defiance of his explicit instructions. This biography is also the first to discuss O’Neill’s lost play Exorcism (a single copy of which was only recently recovered), a dramatization of his own suicide attempt. Written with both a lively informality and a scholar’s strict accuracy, Eugene O’Neill: A Life in Four Acts is a biography worthy of America’s foremost playwright. “Fast-paced, highly readable . . . building to a devastating last act.” –Irish Times *Perverse Mind* Barbara Voglino 1999 The fact is, nothing in O'Neill's forty-five theatrical endeavors of varying merit prior to 1939 suggests the unmistakable touch of genius which radiates from his last plays - A Touch of the Poet (1939), The Iceman Cometh (1940), Long Day's Journey into Night (1941), Hughie (1942), and A Moon for the Misbegotten (1943)."-800K JACKET. "At least one valid explanation for this phenomenon is the greatly improved endings of the late plays."-800K JACKET.

Eugene O'Neill's Last Plays Doris Alexander 2005 This study draws on research concerning the lives of Eugene O'Neill, his family and his circle. It corrects and expands the biographical record on him and distinguishes the man and his life from the creations that were inspired by, and drew on, that life. Included are his attempted suicide, his tuberculosis, and his relationship with his parents.

O'Neill Louis Scheaffer 2002-08-19 The most lauded playwright in American history, Eugene O'Neill (1888-1953) won four Pulitzer Prizes and a Nobel Prize for a body of work that includes *The Iceman Cometh*, *Mourning Becomes Electra*, *Desire Under the Elms*, and *Long Day’s Journey into Night*. His life, the direct source for so much of his art, was one of personal tumult from the very beginning. The son of a famous actor and a quiet, morphine-addicted mother, O'Neill had experienced alcoholism, a collapse of his health, and bouts of mania while still a young man. Based on years of extensive research and access to previously untapped sources, Scheaffer’s authoritative biography examines how the pain of O'Neill's childhood fed his desire to write dramas and affected his artistically successful and emotionally disastrous life.

Eugene O'Neill: Complete Plays Vol. 1 1913-1920 (LOA #40) Eugene O'Neill 1988-10-01 The only American dramatist awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature, Eugene O'Neill wrote with poetic expressiveness, emotional intensity, and immense dramatic power. This Library of America volume (the first in a three-volume set) contains twenty-nine plays he wrote between 1913, when he began his career, and 1920, the year he first achieved Broadway success. Many of O’Neill’s early plays are one-act melodramas whose characters are caught in extreme situations. Thirst and Fog depict shipwreck survivors, The Web a young mother trapped in the New York underworld, and Abortion the aftermath of a college student’s affair with a stenographer. His first distinctive works are four one-act plays about the crew of the tramp steamer Glencairn that render sailors’ speech with masterful faithfulness. Bound East for Cardiff, In the Zone, The Long Voyage Home, and The Moon of the Caribbees portray these “children of the sea” as they watch over a dying man, sail though submarine-patrolled waters, take their shore leave in a London dive, and drink rum in a moonlit tropical anchorage. In *Beyond the Horizon* Robert Mayo begins a tragic chain of events by abandoning his dream of a life at sea, choosing instead to marry the woman his brother loves and remain on his family farm. The sea in “Anna Christie” is both “dat ole devil” to coal barge captain Chris Christopherson and a source of spiritual cleansing to his daughter Anna, an embittered prostitute. When a swaggering stoker falls in love with her, Anna becomes the apex of a three-sided struggle full of enraged pride, grim foreboding, and stubborn hope. Both of these plays won the Pulitzer Prize and helped establish O'Neill as a successful Broadway playwright. The Emperor Jones depicts the nightmarish journey through a West Indian forest of Brutus Jones, a former Pullman porter turned island ruler. Fleeing his rebellious subjects, Jones confronts his violent deeds and the tortured history of his race in a series of hallucinatory episodes whose expressionist quality anticipates many of O'Neill’s later plays. LIBRARY OF AMERICA is an independent nonprofit cultural organization founded in 1979 to preserve our nation’s literary heritage by publishing, and keeping permanently in print, America’s best and most significant writing. The Library of America series includes more than 300 volumes to date, authoritative editions that average 1,000 pages in length, feature cloth covers, sewn bindings, and ribbon markers, and are printed on premium acid-free paper that will last for centuries.

A Study Guide for Eugene O'Neill's The Iceman Cometh Gale, Cengage Learning 2015-09-24

Tragic Drama and Modern Society John Orr 1989-03-16 A study that examines the relationship between tragic drama of the late 19th and 20th centuries and present-day society. The author’s theories are presented with excerpts from relevant plays, such as “Look Back in Anger”, “The Glass Menagerie”, “The Iceman Cometh” and “Hedda Gabler”.

Down the Nights and Down the Days Edward L. Shaughnessy 2000 The latest book from veteran O’Neillian Edward L. Shaughnessy, *Down the Nights and Down the Days*: Eugene O’Neill’s Catholic Sensibility examines a major aspect of the playwright’s vision: the influence of his Catholic heritage upon his moral imagination. Critics, aware of O’Neill’s early renunciation of faith (at age 15), have been inclined to overlook this presence in his work. However, Shaughnessy makes no attempt to reclaim O’Neill for Catholicism. But Shaughnessy does uncover evidence that O’Neill retained the impress of his Irish Catholic upbringing and acculturation.

Eugene O'Neill in China Haiping Liu 1992 The year 1988 was notable for being the centennial of playwright Eugene O'Neill's birth and a time of unprecedented democratization in the People's Republic of China. In this optimal climate, a remarkable festival and conference devoted to O'Neill was held in Nanjing, China, attended by noted O'Neill scholars and theatre artists from around the world. The essays in this volume capture the intellectual and artistic stimulation of the conference, exploring the major areas of O'Neill scholarship, with an emphasis on his international reputation, particularly in Asia. Included is a forum on the festival productions, as well as photographs. *Hughie* Eugene O'Neill 1982-10 THE STORY: Originally produced on Broadway, revived to sellout houses in 1996 starring Al Pacino, HUGHIE was one of O'Neill's last works. It was originally intended as part of a series of short plays, but it became the lone survivor when O'Neill de

Anna Christie Eugene O'Neill 2021-12-13 Anna Christie is a play in four acts, which won O'Neill the 1922 Pulitzer Prize for Drama. Anna makes contact with the father she has not seen since her infancy, and he takes her on board his coal barge. There she falls in love with a man they rescue from a shipwreck, but trouble arises when she tells them she has been working as a prostitute.

Seven Plays of the Sea Eugene O'Neill 1972 The action of the seven one-act plays takes place in the years preceding World War I

The Cambridge Companion to Eugene O'Neill Michael Manheim 1998-09-24 Specially commissioned essays explore the life and work of Eugene O'Neill from his earliest writings to Long Day’s Journey Into Night.

The First Man Eugene O'Neill 2014-05-01 This thought-provoking play from Irish-American playwright Eugene O'Neill takes an unflinching look at the challenges of parenting and the often primal conflicts that can fester between parents and their children. The drama unfolds during what starts out as a pleasant-enough social visit, as anthropologist Curtis Jayson and his wife Martha play host to one of Curtis' college friends.

Twentieth Century Interpretations of The Iceman Cometh John Henry Raleigh 1968 Essays on Eugene O'Neill's play.

Four Plays by Eugene O'Neill Eugene O'Neill 2009 Contained within this volume are some of the best of O'Neill's early one-act plays, which foreshadowed the longer plays that have given this dramatist his most enduring fame. "Beyond the Horizon" was the first of O'Neill's three Pulitzer Prize-winning plays. It follows the disappointed dreams of two brothers on their family farm. "The Emperor Jones" is an expressionistic transformation of a black man named Brutus Jones. In fleeing from his rebelling subjects in the West Indies, Jones is taken back to his racial past and undergoes a night of personal destruction. In "Anna Christie," we find a drama focusing on the relationship of a young woman and her sailor father, who has not seen her for twenty years. As their story unfolds, Anna's troubled romantic past comes to light, and the hardships of women during that time period become as apparent as the power of forgiveness and love. In the final play in this collection, "The Hairy Ape," a ship's fireman becomes disillusioned concerning the work he performs in a society that is quickly industrializing and taking a heavy human toll.

Nine Plays Eugene O'Neill 1932 Emperor Jones takes place on an island in the West Indies. The form of native government is, for the time being, an Empire. The Hair Ape is a comedy of ancient and modern life. Mourning becomes Electra is a trilogy of the American Civil War.

Days Without End Eugene O'Neill 1934 A "modern miracle play" about faith lost and found.

Eugene O'Neill's New Language of Kinship Michael Manheim 1982

A Play, Marco Millions Eugene O'Neill 1927 O'Neill's biting satire of modern materialism, as Marco Polo tries to prove to the great Kublai Khan that he has a soul.

Eugene O'Neill's Creative Struggle Doris Alexander 2010-11 In Eugene O'Neill's Creative Struggle, Doris Alexander gives us a new kind of inside biography that begins where the others leave off. It follows O'Neill through the door into his writing room to give a blow-by-blow account of how he fought out in his plays his great life battles—love against hate, doubt against belief, life against death&–to an ever-expanding understanding. It presents a new kind of criticism, showing how O'Neill's most intimate struggles worked their way to resolution through the drama of his plays. Alexander reveals that he was engineering his own consciousness through his plays and

solving his life problems&–while the tone, imagery, and richness of the plays all came out of the nexus of memories summoned up by the urgency of the problems he faced in them. By the way of O'Neill, this study moves toward a theory of the impulse that sets off a writer’s creativity, and a theory of how that impulse acts to shape a work, not only in a dramatist like O'Neill but also in the case of writers in other mediums, and even of painters and composers. The study begins with *Desire Under the Elms* because that play's plot was consolidated by a dream that opened up the transfixing grief that precipitated the play for O'Neill, and it ends with *Days Without End* when he had resolved his major emotional-philosophical struggle and created within himself the voice of his final great plays. Since the analysis brings to bear on the plays all of his conscious decisions, ideas, theories, as well as the life-and-death struggles motivating them, documenting even the final creative changes made during rehearsals, this book provides a definitive account of the nine plays analyzed in detail (*Desire Under the Elms*, *Marco Millions*, *The Great God Brown*, *Lazarus Laughed*, *Strange Interlude*, *Dynamo*, *Mourning Becomes Electra*, *Ah, Wilderness!*, and *Days Without End*, with additional analysis of plays written before and after.

Long Day's Journey Into Night Eugene O'Neill 2014-05-06 divEugene O'Neill’s autobiographical play Long Day’s Journey into Night is regarded as his masterpiece and a classic of American drama. With this new edition, at last it has the critical edition that it deserves. William Davies King provides students and theater artists with an invaluable guide to the text, including an essay on historical and critical perspectives; glosses of literary allusions and quotations; notes on the performance history; an annotated bibliography; and illustrations. "This is a worthy new edition, one that I'm sure will appeal to many students and teachers. William Davies King provides a thoughtful introduction to Long Day’s Journey into Night—equally sensitive to the most particular and most encompassing of the play’s materials."—Marc Robinson/DIV *By Women Possessed* Arthur Gelb 2016-11-01 Celebrated for their books on Eugene O'Neill and enjoying access to a trove of previously sealed archival material, the Gelbs deliver their final volume on the stormy life and brilliant oeuvre of this Nobel Prize-winning American playwright. This is a tour through both a magical moment in American theater and the troubled life of a genius. Not a peep show or a celebrity gossip fest, this book is a brilliant investigation of the emotional knots that ensnared one of our most important playwrights. Handsome, charming when he wanted to be: O'Neill was the flame women were drawn to—all, that is, except his mother, who never let him forget he was unwanted. By Women Possessed follows O'Neill through his great successes, the failures he was able to shrug off, and the long eclipse, a twelve-year period in which, despite the Nobel, nothing he wrote was produced. But ahead lay his greatest achievements: *The Iceman Cometh* and *Long Day’s Journey into Night*. Both were ahead of their time and both received lukewarm receptions. It wasn’t until after his death that his widow, the keeper of the flame, began a fierce and successful campaign to restore his reputation. The result is that today, just over 125 years after his birth, O'Neill is a towering presence in the theater, his work—always in performance here and abroad—still electrifying audiences. Perhaps of equal importance, he is the acknowledged father of modern American theater, the man who paved the way for the likes of Arthur Miller, Tennessee Williams, Edward Albee, and a host of others. But, as Williams has said, at a cost: “O'Neill gave birth to the American theater and died for it.” **Four Plays By Eugene O'Neill** Eugene O'Neill 2007-08-07 Winner of four Pulitzer Prizes and the first American dramatist to receive a Nobel Prize, Eugene O'Neill filled his plays with rich characterization and innovative language, taking the outcasts and renegades of society and depicting their Olympian struggles with themselves-and with destiny.

Eugene O'Neill J. Dennis Rich 1976

Illusion and Reality in Eugene O'Neill's "The Iceman Cometh" and "Long Day's Journey into Night" Dennis Alexander Goebels 2010-05-11 Seminar paper from the year 2010 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Literature, grade: 1,3, Ruhr-University of Bochum (Englisches Seminar), course: Eugene O'Neill, language: English, abstract: The Iceman Cometh (published in 1940) and Long Day’s Journey into Night (published in 1956 after O’Neill’s death) are widely recognized to be two of Eugene O’Neill’s best plays. Both belong to his late plays and apart from that bear a lot of similarities. The focus of this paper will be to analyze *The Iceman Cometh* and *Long Day’s Journey into Night* with special regard to the importance of illusion and reality for both the characters and the progress of the play. Furthermore a comparison will be made between Hickey in *The Iceman Cometh* and Mary Cavan Tyrone in *Long Day’s Journey into Night* in order to show that they have similar functions in their respective plays. Finally a conclusion will be given which will sum up the argumentation.

The Iceman Cometh [Theatre Programme] 1998

Collected Shorter Plays Eugene O'Neill 2007-01-01 O'Neill's themes and concerns find expression in his one-act plays which are the dramatic equivalent of short stories.

Here are nine one-act plays that span the playwright's career.

The Iceman Cometh Eugene O'Neill 2006-08-28 "We live and die, in the spirit, in solitude, and the true strength of Iceman is its intense dramatic exemplification of that somber reality. . . . Life, in Iceman, is what it is in Schopenhauer: illusion."--from the foreword by Harold Bloom *The Iceman Cometh* focuses on a group of alcoholics and misfits who endlessly discuss but never act on their dreams, and Hickey, the traveling salesman determined to strip them of their pipe dreams. Eugene O'Neill--the first American playwright to win the Nobel Prize in literature--completed *Iceman* in 1939, but he delayed production until after the war, when it enjoyed a long run of performances in 1946 after receiving mixed reviews. Three years after O'Neill's death, Jason Robards starred in a Broadway revival that brought new critical attention to O'Neill's darkest and most nihilistic play. Since then, *The Iceman Cometh* has gained enormously in stature; many critics now recognize it as one of the greatest plays in American drama.

Critical Companion to Eugene O'Neill, 2-Volume Set Robert M. Dowling 2009 This study explores the personal, historical, and artistic influences that combined to form such dark and influential American masterpieces as 'The Iceman Cometh', 'The Emperor Jones', 'Mourning Becomes Electra', 'Hughie', and - arguably the finest tragedy ever written by an American - 'Long Day's Journey into Night'.

Conversations with Eugene O'Neill Eugene O'Neill 1990 Offers a collection of interviews with the noted American playwright, reprinted from newspapers and magazines and originally published between 1920 and 1948

The Theatre of Eugene O'Neill Kurt Eisen 2017-11-16 Named a Choice Outstanding Academic Title of the Year 2018 The Theatre of Eugene O'Neill offers a new comprehensive overview of O'Neill's career and plays in the context of the American theatre. Organised thematically, it considers his modernist intervention in the theatre, offers readers detailed analysis of the plays, and assesses the recent resurgence in his reputation and new approaches to staging his work. It includes a study of all his major plays-The Emperor Jones, The Hairy Ape, The Iceman Cometh, Long Day's Journey Into Night, A Moon for the Misbegotten and Desire Under the Elms-besides numerous other full length and one act dramas. Eugene O'Neill is generally credited with inventing modern American drama, in a time of cultural ferment and lively artistic and intellectual change. Yet O'Neill's theatrical instincts were always shaped by American stage traditions that were inextricable from his sense of himself and his own national culture. This study shows that his theatrical modernism represents not so much a break from these traditions as a reinvention of their scope and significance in the context of international stage modernism, offering an image of national culture and character that opens new possibilities for the stage while remaining rooted in its past. Kurt Eisen traces O'Neill's modernism throughout the dramatists's work: his attempts to break from the themes, plots, and moral conventions of the traditional melodramatic theatre; his experiments in stagecraft and theme, and their connection to traditional theatre and his European modernist contemporaries; the turn toward direct and indirect self-representation; and his critique of the family and of American 'pipe dreams' and the allure of success. The volume additionally features four contributed essays providing further critical perspectives on O'Neill's work, alongside a chronology of the writer's life and times.

A Touch of the Poet Eugene O'Neill 1994-06 THE STORY: As told by Chapman, (NY News): The time of the play is 1828, and the setting is a tavern in a village near Boston. The tavern is owned by a tempestuous Irishman, Con Melody, who is as proud as he is ill-tempered. He had been born with w

Eugene O'Neill Dhupaty V. K. Raghavacharyulu 1965

The Plays of Eugene O'Neill John Henry Raleigh 1965 Cosmology and geography -- History -- Mankind -- Form -- O'Neill as an American writer -- Index.

Eugene O'Neill Ernest G. Griffin 1976

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Eugene O'Neill's The Iceman Cometh Harold Bloom 1987 In this collection of distinguished critical insights into one of O'Neill's masterpieces, Cyrus Day sees the play as a prophetic anticipation of the mass destruction of the Second World War.

The Iceman Cometh Eugene O'Neill 1999 A play about people who have been battered by life, who have done shocking things according to glib, conventional standards of respectability.

Eugene O'Neill Virginia Floyd 1979 Theater authorities from both America and Europe review the major O'Neill productions mounted over the past fifty years and assess the cumulative effects on his work of Irish Catholicism, Puritanism, mysticism, and humanism