

String Theory David Foster Wallace

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String Theory David Foster Wallace, 2016 Collects essays about tennis in which the author challenges the sports memoir genre, profiles two of the world's greatest players, and shares his own experiences in his youth as a regionally ranked tennis player.

String Theory: David Foster Wallace on Tennis David Foster Wallace, 2016-05-10 An instant classic of American sportswriting—the tennis essays of David Foster Wallace, “the best mind of his generation” (A. O. Scott) and “the best tennis-writer of all time” (New York Times) Gathered for the first time in a deluxe collector's edition, here are David Foster Wallace's legendary writings on tennis, five tour-de-force pieces written with a competitor's insight and a fan's obsessive enthusiasm. Wallace brings his dazzling literary magic to the game he loved as he celebrates the other-worldly genius of Roger Federer; offers a wickedly witty dissection of Tracy Austin's memoir; considers the artistry of Michael Joyce, a supremely disciplined athlete on the threshold of fame; resists the crush of commerce at the U.S. Open; and recalls his own career as a near-great junior player. Whiting Award-winning writer John Jeremiah Sullivan provides an introduction.

Ontological Tennis. A Close Reading of David Foster Wallace's Tennis Essays Christoph Schrank, 2017-08-31 Bachelor Thesis from the year 2017 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Comparative Literature, grade: 1,0, , language: English, abstract: This paper focuses on David Foster Wallace collected essays about tennis which is called *String Theory*. The five essays approach and use the sport for different goals. In his typical manner, tennis becomes a starting point for quite different topics, be it Wallace's own life, his thoughts on a literary genre (in this case top athletes' autobiographies), masculine physicality, transcendence, or the industry behind sports events. While stylistically Wallace follows the method of thick description, injecting elements of metafiction and humor, he ultimately takes tennis as a starting point for ontological questions in his search for some form of deeper insight or even truth that can be found on the sidelines of his respective topic. His approach to writing essays and the function and possibilities of that literary form displays apparent similarities with the work of the protagonists of the so-called New Journalism. After a brief introduction to New Journalism as a mode of writing and some of its elements and key terms, the author will focus on Wallace's five tennis essays individually. In addition to connecting his M.O. to the tradition of New Journalism on the formal and content level, the author will provide a reading of each of Wallace's tennis essays with recourses to different theoretical approaches. In other words

this paper will probe each essay for the question: about what is he really writing, how Wallace is doing it and why he chooses tennis of all things that functions as his way in. In addition to his work as a writer of fiction (his bibliography includes three novels and three short story collections) David Foster Wallace has written a large number of essays, most of them for magazines and newspapers. His topics range from literature and film to mathematics, from music and subcultures to travel and the tourism industry, from politics to food, and have been issued in numerous collections before and after his self-inflicted death in 2008.

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The Circuit Rowan Ricardo Phillips, 2018-11-20 Winner of the 2019 PEN/ESPN Award for Literary Sports Writing “The Circuit is the best sports book I’ve read in years, maybe ever.” —Rich Cohen, author of *The Chicago Cubs and Monsters* “As sports writing goes, *The Circuit* is unusual in the very best way. Rowan Ricardo Phillips writes with such fluidity, and packs the book with bursts of brilliance. This is a compulsively readable guide to one truly Homeric year of professional tennis.” —John Green, author of *The Fault in Our Stars* An energetic, lyrical, genre-defying account of the 2017 tennis season. In *The Circuit: A Tennis Odyssey*, the award-winning poet—and *Paris Review* sports columnist—Rowan Ricardo Phillips chronicles 2017 as seen through the unique prism of its pivotal, revelatory, and historic tennis season. The annual tennis schedule is a rarity in professional sports in that it encapsulates the calendar year. And like the year, it’s divided into four seasons, each marked by a final tournament: the Grand Slams. Phillips charts the year from winter’s Australian Open, where Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal renewed their rivalry in a match for the ages, to fall’s U.S. Open. Along the way, Phillips paints a new, vibrant portrait of tennis, one that captures not only the emotions, nerves, and ruthless tactics of the point-by-point game but also the quicksilver movement of victory and defeat on the tour, placing that sense of upheaval within a broader cultural and social context. Tennis has long been thought of as an escapist spectacle: a bucolic, separate bauble of life. *The Circuit* will convince you that you don’t leave the world behind as you watch tennis—you bring it with you.

Nicola Barker Nicola Barker, Ben Masters, Daniel Marc Janes, Len Platt, Ginette Carpenter, Beccy Kennedy, Christopher Vardy, Huw Marsh, Alice Bennett, Eleanor Byrne, 2020-10-20 Nicola Barker's exuberant novels here receive the scholarly attention they deserve in a collection of essays which moves chronologically through her oeuvre. The chapters are broad-ranging, placing Barker's work in its contemporary context and collectively making a convincing case for her importance as one of our most inventive novelists. Contents Foreword Nicola Barker *The Barkeresque Mode: An Introduction* Berthold Schoene *Indie Style: Reversed Forecast and a Turn-of-the-Century Aesthetic* Ben Masters *'Temporary People': Wide Open as an Island Narrative* Daniel Marc Janes *'You grew up in this shithole, then?': Literary Geographics and the Thames Gateway*

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Infinite Majesty : Disabled and Athletic Métis in David Foster Wallace's Tennis Writing Michelle Elizabeth Rabe, 2018 As John Jeremiah Sullivan remarks in his introduction to *String Theory*, a collection of David Foster Wallace's essays on tennis, tennis "may be [Wallace's] most consistent theme at the surface level." As once an elite junior professional himself, Wallace reflects on and writes from his own involvement in the sport, with the conditioning, strategy, and body-mind training that goes into it. In other essays of *String Theory*, Wallace reaches beyond his personal playing experience, observes professional tennis players with their incredible grace, and creates his own tennis playing students in *Infinite Jest*. Throughout these fictional and nonfictional accounts, he conceptualizes what such eminent athleticism entails. This paper will show that celebrated athleticism in Wallace's work exhibits an embodied *métis*, or an acute, crafty body-mind knowledge of its movement through space. Beyond only characterizing athletic movement, however, this paper argues that

the same concept of *métis* extends to people with disabilities, including characters with disabilities in *Infinite Jest*. The same hyperawareness of corporeality, versatile methods of adjusting to oppositional contexts, and extraordinary complexity are shared by both groups. Using rhetorical scholarship on *métis* and disability theories of embodiment and social representation, this paper will draw parallels between the moving body-minds of athletic and disabled bodies and trace the implications of this analogy for Wallace's work and disability studies.

Mother of Invention Katrine Marçal, 2021-10-19 An illuminating and maddening examination of how gender bias has skewed innovation, technology, and history—now in paperback It all starts with a rolling suitcase. Though the wheel was invented some 5,000 years ago, and the suitcase in the 19th century, it wasn't until the 1970s that someone successfully married the two. What was the holdup? For writer and journalist Katrine Marçal, the answer is both shocking and simple: because "real men" carried their bags, no matter how heavy. *Mother of Invention* is a fascinating and eye-opening examination of business, technology, and innovation through a feminist lens. Because it wasn't just the suitcase. Drawing on examples from electric cars to tech billionaires, Marçal shows how gender bias stifles the economy and holds us back, delaying innovations, sometimes by hundreds of years, and distorting our understanding of our history. While we talk about the Iron Age and the Bronze Age, we might as well talk about the Ceramic Age or the Flax Age, since these technologies were just as important. But inventions associated with women are not considered to be technology in the same way as those associated with men. *Mother of Invention* is a sweeping tour of the global economy with a powerful message: If we upend our biases, we can unleash our full potential.

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Mein Leben als Tennisroman Andreas Merkel, 2018-09-14 It's a match! Arthur Wilkow, fourtysomething, Literatur- und Sportjunkie, setzt alles auf eine Karte. Sein Ziel: einen autobiographischen Tennisroman zu schreiben. Aber was, wenn das Leben für einen Roman nicht taugt? Hin- und hergerissen zwischen Wunsch und Wirklichkeit reist Wilkow durchs Jahr, nach Hawaii, zum Lago Maggiore, nach Köln und Kühlungsborn, Polen und Portland. *Mein Leben als Tennisroman* erzählt von

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