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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Rachel Pollack melds the literary, the political, and the spiritual in her own unique way. An award-winning SF and fantasy author (Unquenchable Fire and Godmother Night), she is also an esteemed Tarot Grand Master with followers and students around the world. A progressive voice in the transgender community and a trusted guide to the ancient traditions of spiritualism, she has been for decades a teacher of writing at Goddard College.

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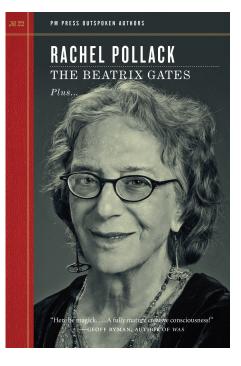
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