

# THE HUMAN FRONT

## Ken MacLeod

Winner of a Prometheus and Sidewise Award, and largely unavailable this side of The Pond, *The Human Front* follows the adventures of a young Scottish guerrilla, drawn into low-intensity sectarian war in a high-intensity future, when the arrival of an alien intruder (complete with saucer) calls for new tactics and strange alliances.

MacLeod's unique vision is developed even further in a new commentary written especially for this edition, and in his delightful personal account of a Hebridean youth's first encounter with the post-capitalist world. Also featured is our Outspoken Interview showcasing the author's deep erudition and skeptical, mordant wit.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Ken MacLeod** is one of the brightest and most progressive of Britain's new "Hard SF" stars who are navigating exciting new futures, to the delight of a growing legion of fans around the world. His award-winning works combine cutting-edge scientific speculation, socialist and anarchist themes, and a deep humanistic vision. Described by fans and detractors alike as a "techno-utopian socialist," MacLeod delights in engaging recognizable characters in far-flung adventures across the boundaries of space and time.

Born in Scotland's legendary Outer Isles, MacLeod graduated from Glasgow University with a degree in zoology and has worked as a computer programmer and written a masters thesis on biomechanics. A regular in British SF and progressive circles, he is married and has two children. He lives in South Queensferry, Scotland

## ACCOLADES

"*The Human Front* has pretty much everything you could ask from a great story: character, insight, plot, that quality of description that transports a feeling, sensation, incident or landscape seemingly direct from world to mind, and revelation. It has substance. It should make your mind reel, and work."

—Iain M. Banks

"*The Human Front* is a complete knock out—very funny, ingenious, and so densely political it might give you a headache. This novella has more ideas and better characters than most novels. It's elegant, eloquent and laugh-out-loud funny. And that last quality by itself makes it worth the very weird trip."

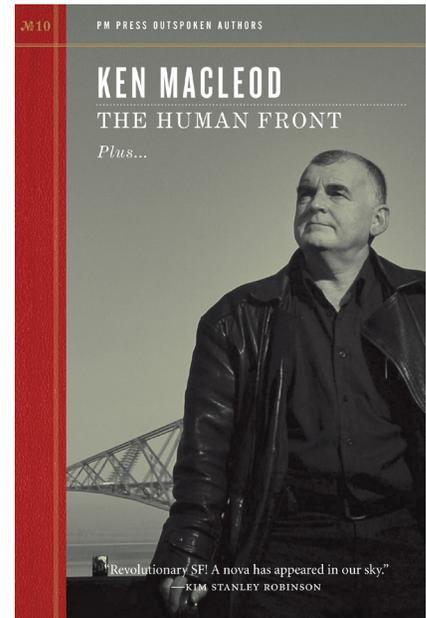
—Rick Kleffel, *The Agony Column*

"*The Human Front* is a feather-weight book, which packs a heavyweight punch. In terms of size, it's a novella, but it includes more entertainment than many books that are four times its length."

—Nathan Brazil, *SF Site*

"Science fiction's freshest new writer...MacLeod is a fiercely intelligent, prodigiously well-read author who manages to fill his books with big issues without weighing them down."

—Salon



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