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Whistler's Mother's Son

and Other Curiosities

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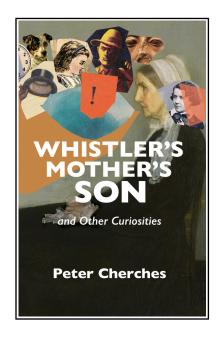
Whistler's Mother's Son collects over 100 prose pieces of varying length and styles—from minimalism to satire to noir to children's tale to abstraction to surrealism. Featuring parodies, standardized tests, nursery-rhyme anxieties, fables, riddles, collaborations, conundrums, rescued clichés, abominations-intraining, dark Americana, existential misdemeanors, misbegotten mysteries, identity crises, optimistic nihilism, formal experimentation, and polyrhythmic prose, its cast of characters includes Hamlet, Gertrude Stein, Amelia Earhart, Fred Flintstone, Mr. Mondrian, a little girl whose mother takes up with a smelly old man, embattled aunties and uncles, a man with two mustaches, several hard-boiled dicks, and an eternally confused Peter Cherches.

About the author

Called "one of the innovators of the short short story" by *Publishers Weekly*, Peter Cherches is a writer, singer and lyricist. Over the past 40 years his writing, both fiction and nonfiction, has appeared in dozens of magazines, anthologies and websites. His first recording as a jazz vocalist, *Mercerized! Songs of Johnny Mercer*, was released in 2016. He is the author of three previous prose collections, including *Lift Your Right Arm* and *Autobiography Without Words*, both published by Pelekinesis. Cherches is a native of Brooklyn, New York.

About the publisher

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