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Fourteen very different stories about the variety of human conditions, the scope of thought, and the diversity of experience.

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Claremont, CA – August 1, 2015 – Pelekinesis is pleased to present Robert Wexelblatt's *Heiberg's Twitch*, a collection of short stories populated by schoolboys and poets, dictators and delinquents, college girls and composers, businessmen and scientists.

The fourteen stories in *Heiberg's Twitch* were not selected for their resemblance to one another, but for their differences in character, tone, and form. The aim is to deploy imagination and invention to furnish tales about the variety of human conditions, the scope of thought, the diversity of experience. Settings range from a Scandinavian island to ancient Chinese courts, from the streets of Hyde Park in Boston to the galleries of midtown Manhattan, from Southern California to Eastern Europe, from Africa to South America—in one story, both continents at once. The stories are populated by schoolboys and poets, dictators and delinquents, college girls and composers, businessmen and scientists. Each tale conjures its own world, has its own language, aims to illuminate a distinct experience, a unique situation. Like human life, the stories in *Heiberg's Twitch* are comic, sad, pathetic, perplexing, and tragic.

Heiberg's Twitch by Robert Wexelblatt will be available January 12, 2016 through Small Press Distribution, Baker & Taylor, Bertrams, directly from the publisher's website, and in fine local bookstores worldwide.

About the author

Robert Wexelblatt is professor of humanities at Boston University's College of General Studies. He has published three previous story collections, *Life in the Temperate Zone*, *The Decline of Our Neighborhood*, and *The Artist Wears Rough Clothing*; a book of essays, *Professors at Play*; two short novels, *Losses* and *The Derangement of Jules Torquemal*, and essays, stories, and poems in a variety of scholarly and literary journals. His novel *Zublinka Among Women* was awarded the Indie Book Awards first-place prize for fiction.

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