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### **Pelekinesis Announces New Editions of Three Books by Susan I. Weinstein**

**Claremont, CA – August 2, 2016** – New editions of three groundbreaking novels by acclaimed author Susan I. Weinstein are to be released by independent publishing house Pelekinesis.

The books—*The Anarchist's Girlfriend*, *Paradise Gardens*, and *Tales of the Mer Family Onyx: Mermaid stories on land and under the Sea*—will each include a beautiful new layout, a new preface, updated biographical information, and other expanded content.

The first new edition to be published will be *The Anarchist's Girlfriend* in December 2016. This breakthrough novel was developed in the art bars of late 1970's New York and excerpted in the 1984 debut issue of *The Portable Lower East Side*. Inspired by Dostoyevsky's divine "Idiot," the AG is a clairvoyant Brooklyn Go-Go Girl who designs clothes of the future. Delightfully retro and powerfully prescient, the novel satirizes New York's bohemian underground and the America of any time.

*The Anarchist's Girlfriend* is a "sneaky funny, ever-seductive, refreshingly unconventional novel," says Howard Rosenberg, former LA Times TV critic. He calls Weinstein a "boldly creative, highly visual writer whose narrative moves with distinctive rhythms; she has a laser eye for hypocrisy and detail."

Sally Eckhoff, author of *F\*ck Art (Let's Dance)*, calls the writing "very fine-textured and funny, but mostly beautiful."

Ann Schwartz, former copy chief at Grand Central Publishing, calls it a "careening and suspenseful trip through not only pre-9/11, pre-cell phone Manhattan but into the souls of unforgettable characters...and further, into the world of ideas."

*Paradise Gardens* will see its new edition in early 2017, followed by *Tales of the Mer Family Onyx* shortly thereafter. Review copies of the new editions, in electronic and printed form, will be available to journalists upon request. Contact Mark Givens at mark.givens@pelekinesis.com for information.

These new Pelekinesis editions will be available through Small Press Distribution, Baker & Taylor, Bertrams, Ingram, directly from the publisher's website, and in fine local bookstores worldwide.

### **About the author**

Susan I. Weinstein is a writer, playwright, and painter. Susan's short fiction and poetry have appeared in numerous literary magazines, including *The Metric* and *The Portable Lower East Side* - a literary magazine in NYU's collection of the lower east side art and literary movement. Currently, she is at work on a WWII novel based on blacked out V-mail.

She wrote *Rabies*, a new language play produced by A.C.T. in Squaw Valley in 1974 and later developed *White-Walled Babes* at The Public Theater, produced at Trinity Rep among others. Her play *Something About That Face* was produced at NY's Harold Clurman Theater. Currently, she's working on a new play called *The Making of ADD/ADHD*.

Susan is married and lives in NYC.

### **About the publisher**

Pelekinesis is an independent book publishing company focusing on the development of literary-minded authors and artists by embracing the evolving publishing paradigm and creatively supporting the skills of these talented individuals. Full catalog and press material can be found at <http://www.pelekinesis.com>

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