

BRIAN VAN REET

EDUCATION

Michener Center for Writers, University of Texas at Austin	
• MFA (Writing)	2012
University of Missouri	
• M.A. (English)	2009
University of Missouri	
• B.A. (English)	2007

NOVEL

<i>Spoils</i> . New York: Little, Brown and Co. London: Jonathan Cape. French, German, Italian, and Dutch translations.	2017-18
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SHORT FICTION

"Communications Blackout," <i>The Antioch Review</i> . Volume 73, Issue 3.	2015
"The Chaff," <i>The Iowa Review</i> . Volume 45. Issue 1.	2015
"Eat the Spoil," <i>The Missouri Review</i> . Volume 37, Issue 1.	2014
"The Window," <i>Gulf Coast</i> . Volume 24, Issue 1.	2011
"The Path of Least Resistance," <i>Evergreen Review</i> . Issue 128.	2011
"Tower Six," <i>Evergreen Review</i> . Issue 119.	2009
"Big Two-Hearted Hunting Creek," <i>The Southern Review</i> . Volume 45, Issue 3.	2009
"Blood Groove," <i>Brooklyn Review</i> . Issue 26.	2008
"The Rooster," <i>Shenandoah</i> . Volume 58, Issue 1.	2008

FICTION ANTHOLOGIES

<i>New Border Voices: An Anthology</i> . "The Window." Texas A&M University Press.	2014
<i>Fire and Forget: Short Stories from the Long War</i> . "Big Two-Hearted Hunting Creek." Da Capo Press.	2013

SELECTED ESSAYS, ARTICLES, BOOK REVIEWS

"How Edgar Allan Poe Got Kicked Out of the U.S. Army," <i>The Daily Beast</i>	2018
"War makes mortal enemies of people who've never met," <i>The Guardian</i> .	2017
"Postcards from the Frontline," <i>ShortList Magazine</i> .	2017
"Remembering Michael Herr," <i>Politico</i> .	2017
"The Medal of Honor Disgrace," <i>The Daily Beast</i> .	2014
"Iraq, Terror, and the Surreal: Hassan Blasim's 'The Corpse Exhibition,'" <i>The Daily Beast</i> .	2014
"Possessed by PTSD, a Veteran Uses Exorcisms to Cast Out His Demons," <i>The Daily Beast</i> .	2014
"New Report Cites Half-a-Million War Related Dead in Iraq," <i>The Daily Beast</i> .	2013
"A Veteran Sees Echoes of Iraq and Argues Against Intervention in Syria," <i>The Daily Beast</i> .	2013
"Troubled Veterans May Suffer from Something Other Than PTSD," <i>The Washington Post</i> .	2013
"A Problematic Genre, the 'Kill Memoir,'" <i>The New York Times</i>	2013
"Wave," <i>The New York Times</i>	2013

SELECTED AWARDS & HONORS

<i>Sunday Times</i> Audible Short Story Award longlist ("Lazarus")	2019
"Best of Austin," <i>Austin Chronicle</i>	2018
Writers' League of Texas Book Award in Fiction (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
Ralph A. Johnston Memorial Fellowship at the Dobie Paisano Ranch, University of Texas	2018
Balcones Fiction Prize (<i>Spoils</i>)	2018
Colby Award finalist (<i>Spoils</i>)	2018
Waterstones' Best of 2017 (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
<i>Military Times</i> ' Best Books of 2017 (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
<i>The Wall Street Journal</i> 's Top 10 Novels of 2017 (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017

<i>The New Zealand Listener's</i> 100 Best Books of 2017 (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
<i>The Guardian's</i> Best Fiction of 2017 (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Fiction longlist (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
The Center for Fiction's First Novel Prize longlist (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
<i>The Sydney Morning Herald's</i> Pick of the Week (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
<i>The Guardian's</i> Book of the Day (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
<i>British GQ's</i> Book of the Month, and a Best Book to Read in 2017 (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
Amazon Book of the Month (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
Indie Next Pick (<i>Spoils</i>)	2017
Distinguished Story, <i>The Best American Short Stories 2016</i> ("The Chaff")	2016
Texas Institute of Letters Kay Cattarulla Award for Best Short Story ("The Chaff")	2016
Distinguished Story, <i>The Best American Short Stories 2015</i> ("Eat the Spoil")	2015
Texas Institute of Letters Kay Cattarulla Award for Best Short Story ("Eat the Spoil")	2015
<i>The Iowa Review's</i> Jeff Sharlet Memorial Award, 2 nd Prize ("The Chaff")	2014
James A. Michener Fellowship, University of Texas	2009 – 2012
<i>Gulf Coast</i> Prize in Fiction ("The Window")	2011

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Texas at Austin	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visiting Professor of Creative Writing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Advanced Fiction Writing ○ American Literature of War seminar 	2019
University of Missouri-Columbia	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Instructor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Introduction to Writing Fiction ○ Rhetoric and Composition • Writing Lab Tutor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Worked one-on-one with students to improve their writing skills. 	2008-9 2007-8

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

<i>Bat City Review</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associate Fiction Editor 	2010
<i>The Missouri Review</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Editorial Assistant 	2008-9

SELECTED READINGS, PANELS, & MEDIA APPEARANCES

Festival Lettres du Monde, featured author, Bordeaux	2018
Evenings with an Author, talk given at the American Library in Paris	2018
<i>En Attendant Nadeau</i> , web interview, Paris	2018
L'Humeur Vagabonde, radio interview on France Inter	2018
<i>L'Humanité</i> , "Je parle d'une guerre qui n'a rien à voir avec un jeu vidéo," print interview, Paris	2018
"The 'Spoils' of war: Brian Van Reet revisits Iraq, 2003," France 24 television, Paris	2018
"Debut Novel...Explores the Many Facets of Modern War," radio interview on Reader's Corner, Idaho NPR	2017
Texas Book Festival featured author	2017
"Spoils of War," Author Interview on Sunday Morning with Wallace Chapman, Radio New Zealand	2017
"From war in Iraq to bestselling novelist," radio interview with Matt Cooper, Today FM, Ireland	2017
<i>The Guardian</i> , "First Book Interview" author profile by Richard Lea, U.K.	2017
<i>The Times of London</i> , "In the army I soon missed my Ivory Tower," author profile by Robbie Millen, U.K.	2017
The Ryan Tubridy Show, radio interview, RTE Radio 1, Dublin	2017
<i>Spoils</i> U.K. Book Launch in Conjunction with ShortList Magazine, London	2017
<i>Spoils</i> reading and signing at Square Books, Oxford, MS	2017
<i>Spoils</i> reading and signing at BookPeople, Austin	2017
Featured guest on "Writing on the Air," radio interview, KOOP, Austin	2017
<i>Iowa Review</i> Veterans Event with Anthony Swofford, Prairie Lights bookstore, Iowa City	2015
NPR, "Texas Veterans on ISIS and the Future of Iraq," radio interview, KUT Austin	2014
HuffPost Live, "Iraq and Afghanistan War Veterans on Syria," internet TV	2013
NPR, "Remembering Iraq: How Personal Stories Square with the Press," essay read on air	2013