

The Solzhenitsyn Reader: New and Essential Writings, 1947-2005

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This reader, compiled by renowned Solzhenitsyn scholars Edward E. Ericson, Jr., and Daniel J. Mahoney in collaboration with the Solzhenitsyn family, provides in one volume a rich and representative selection of Solzhenitsyn's voluminous works. Reproduced in their entirety are early poems, early and late short stories, early and late "miniatures" (or prose poems), and many of Solzhenitsyn's famous-and not-so-famous-essays and speeches. The volume also includes excerpts from Solzhenitsyn's great novels, memoirs, books of political analysis and historical scholarship, and the literary and historical masterpieces *The Gulag Archipelago* and *The Red Wheel*. More than one-quarter of the material has never before appeared in English (the author's sons prepared many of the new translations themselves).

The Solzhenitsyn Reader reveals a writer of genius, an intransigent opponent of ideological tyranny and moral relativism, and a thinker and moral witness who is acutely sensitive to the great drama of good and evil that takes place within every human soul. It will be for many years the definitive Solzhenitsyn collection.

Edward E. Ericson, Jr. is Professor Emeritus of English at Calvin College. He is the author of *Solzhenitsyn and the Modern World*, and he also served as the editor of the abridged, single-volume version of *The Gulag Archipelago*, which was authorized by Solzhenitsyn. Alexis Klimoff has taught Russian language, literature and culture at Vassar College since 1971. He is the co-editor of *Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn: Critical Essays and Documentary Materials* and the editor of *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich: A Critical Companion*. "Ericson and Mahoney are to be congratulated in assembling this collection of Solzhenitsyn's corpus. Their introductions to the various offerings provide the reader with an understanding of the focus of the work, its genesis, and outline. I am personally grateful that they included his Harvard Address that illustrates Isaevich as the true Platonic philosopher/prophet, where he fearlessly engages the academy in questions they have no desire to hear let alone answer."

-Robert C. Cheeks, American Thinker

"The selections in *The Solzhenitsyn Reader* confirm what the editors suggest in the opening pages: the author's life almost defies belief. Born in Russia one year after the Bolshevik seizure of power, he outlived the political system that persecuted him, surviving its horrible network of labor camps while documenting its myriad crimes. Solzhenitsyn's writings are indispensable for understanding the 20th century. For those who would like to sample that corpus generously, the Reader is an excellent place to begin."

-David L. Tubbs, *Claremont Review of Books*

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