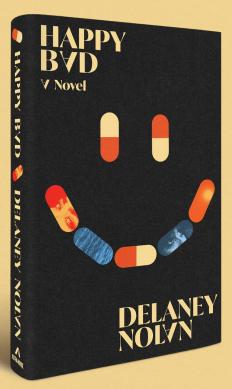
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MEDIA

Rave reviews in the <u>New Orleans Times-Picayune/Louisiana Advocate</u> and <u>Antigravity Magazine</u>
Favorable review in <u>Publishers Weekly</u>
Starred <u>Kirkus</u> review
On the <u>Our Culture</u> fall most anticipated list

On the <u>Debutiful</u> list of "12 Noteworthy Books You Should Read This October"

FORTHCOMING

Excerpt in LitHub
Expected Fresh Air Interview
Assigned for review at the Southern Review of Books,
On the Seawall, Ancillary Review of Books
Interviews with Carrigan & Co podcast,
Auraist substack (50k followers), and more to come

BOOKTOUR

Tuesday, October 14
6:00 p.m. CT
Garden District Book Shop | New Orleans, LA
In conversation with Jami Attenberg

Thursday, October 16
7:30 p.m. ET
Greenlight Bookstore | Brooklyn, NY
In conversation with Julia Phillips

Thursday, October 30
6:00 p.m. CT
Square Books | Oxford, MS
Will be broadcasted on Thacker Mountain Radio

Thursday, November 6
7:30 p.m. ET
All She Wrote | Boston, MA

Friday, November 7
6:30 p.m. CT
City Lit Books | Chicago, IL
In conversation with Rowan Beaird

Monday, November 10
7:00 p.m. CT
Prairie Lights Books | Iowa City, IA
In conversation with Jamel Brinkley









Praise for Happy Bad

"This glimpse into a terrifyingly plausible future smuggles tenderness amid the horrors."

—Publishers Weekly

"While the subject matter is as serious as can be, Nolan leavens the novel with gallows humor . . . The darkness of this excellent novel is amplified by how terrifyingly plausible it all is. A self-assured debut that is also a warning."

—Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"Buckle up and get ready for a ride.

Nolan is wickedly hilarious and is bold and uncompromising in presenting how urgent we need to act on the climate."

—Adam Vitcavage, Debutiful

"An exhilarating, dynamic, addictive debut, Delaney Nolan's *Happy Bad* is a hell of a book."

—Jami Attenberg, author of A Reason to See You Again

"Delaney Nolan's breathtaking, sharply crafted debut announces the arrival of an important new writer. The characters who populate these pages are unforgettable. *Happy Bad* will stand the test of time, but it's also exactly the kind of book we need in our troubled times."

—Jamel Brinkley, author of A Lucky Man and Witness

"Happy Bad shows the too-near future of our nightmares: climate disastrous, opportunities few, food altered, brains manipulated. But this book also gives us the best we can dream of: people who look out for each other, communities who take care. Delaney Nolan has written a brutal, joyful, surprising, and gorgeous novel of human contradictions.

It's a stunner."

—Julia Phillips, author of Bear and Disappearing Earth

"This is a preternaturally good novel by a writer who can see the future. Not the 'thing that will happen if we don't change course' but the future that has already crept up on us—the slow apocalypse, the rising water, the burned-out grid. In addition to being a pitch-perfect description of the consequences of capital's love affair with oil, *Happy Bad* is a riotously well-written, weirdly fun nail-biter of a story—and a poignant defense of human life, however grimy the circumstances."

—Lydia Kiesling, author of Mobility

"What a writer Delaney Nolan is. Every sentence of *Happy Bad* hums electric. Nolan has written an all-too-real future, hot and drug-addled, and every page will surprise you, delight you, devastate you. It is rare to find a book at once as imaginative and true, as horrifying and hopeful, as this brilliant debut. A major talent, Nolan doesn't shy away from America's biggest problems; she takes them on with wit, humor, and compassion."

—Matthew Salesses, author of The Sense of Wonder

"Nolan is a skillful satirist, and one whose aim is extensive, wickedly funny and true."

—Rien Fertel of

New Orleans Times-Picayune/Louisiana Advocate

"Impressive."

—Steven Melendez, Antigravity Magazine

"This is one of my favorite books of the year, a catastrophe novel mixed with a zany road-trip novel, characters that are cruel and psychotic, and also will melt your heart. Funny, prescient, smart and wickedly entertaining, this novel is sure to cause a stir."

-Keith Vient, Politics & Prose



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