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Fairy Tales Transformed?: Twenty-First-Century Adaptations and the Politics of Wonder

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Wayne State University Press. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Fairy Tales Transformed?: Twenty-First-Century Adaptations and the Politics of Wonder, Cristina Bacchilega, Fairy-tale adaptations are ubiquitous in modern popular culture, but readers and scholars alike may take for granted the many voices and traditions folded into today's tales. In *Fairy Tales Transformed?: Twenty-First-Century Adaptations and the Politics of Wonder*, accomplished fairy-tale scholar Cristina Bacchilega traces what she terms a "fairy-tale web" of multivocal influences in modern adaptations, asking how tales have been changed by and for the early twenty-first century. Dealing mainly with literary and cinematic adaptations for adults and young adults, Bacchilega investigates the linked and yet divergent social projects these fairy tales imagine, their participation and competition in multiple genre and media systems, and their relation to a politics of wonder that contests a naturalised hierarchy of Euro-American literary fairy tale over folktale and other wonder genres. Bacchilega begins by assessing changes in contemporary understandings and adaptations of the Euro-American fairy tale since the 1970s, and introduces the fairy-tale web as a network of reading and writing practices with a long history shaped by forces of gender politics, capitalism, and colonialism. In the chapters that follow, Bacchilega considers a...


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