



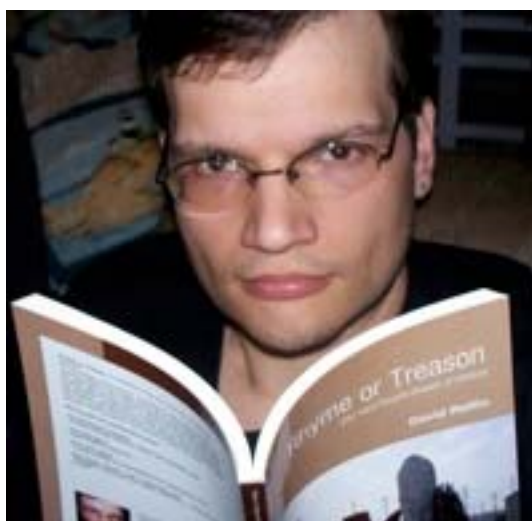
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Satirist & author David Raffin reads from “Rhyme or Treason”



David Raffin will read from his book “Rhyme or Treason: the Hard Fought Illusion of Choice, a Collection of Darkly Humorous Stories and Columns,” at the Olympia Timberland Library after closing on Tuesday, November 9 from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

Raffin, a graduate of The Evergreen State College, is a contributor to the Funny Times and publisher of the satirical journal *Vision? Nary!* The influences on his writing that he lists offer tantalizing clues to his work: Kurt Vonnegut, George Carlin, Robert Sheckley, Harlan Ellison, Bloom County, and Brother

Theodore. The Northwest Examiner calls Raffin “a cross between Garrison Keillor and Salvador Dali.”

A few examples of the stories in the book: In “The Twilight of the Clowns” a traditional way of life ends as clowning ceases to be a viable way of life; in “Everybody Loves a Little Elf” elves save a man’s business but they create a literal stink about property rights and slave labor; also, Australians move to take over the world with their national food, the hot dog; and the web of lies in *Charlotte’s Web* is exposed.

More about Raffin and his writing is at <http://davidraffin.com>
www.goodreads.com/author/show/3053694.David_Raffin
<http://vision-nary.com/weblogs/index.php>

The [Olympia Timberland Library](http://www.TRL.org) is at 313 8th Avenue SE, Olympia. For more information, call (360) 352-0595 or go to www.TRL.org.

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