

Exclusive Interview

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People might be surprised to learn that, in certain cultures, the theft of a hat is considered to be a sign of respect. So, given the circumstances, I think my actions were perfectly justified.

[REDACTED] P

Strawberries, hazelnuts, bee stings, 3pm in November, a windy sigh issued by a man with an asymmetrical beard, nylon, certain varieties of cumulonimbus, and Bach's Sonata No. 2 in A Minor.

[REDACTED] P

Oh no—certainly not. Such organizations, with all their mystic rituals and mummery, really do more harm than good, don't you think? And the font on their application form is far too small.

[REDACTED] P

I would probably have to say my mother. She was a loving, tender-hearted woman, who always felt terrible when her divinations would keep us up at night, or if one of her numerous scabs fell into the porridge, or if her shoes would start walking about the house on their own. But no matter what demonspawn she might have been summoning, she was always there to meet us at the bus stop after school, discreetly wiping the viscera from her hands.

[REDACTED] P

Only once, and I have to say that I didn't care for it. You have to remember that in my day, only truckers and ornithologists did that sort of thing.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Yes.

[REDACTED]

Shit-sucking-motherfucking-cock-gobbling-*cunt!* Oh wait—no. Capricorn.

[REDACTED]

I think that's when my work really took off. Suddenly ordinary corridors became catacombs, space reaching beyond itself into the histories of dead, where last words wait to be excavated from between long-abandoned teeth. No wonder the critics hated it.

[REDACTED]

It's not so much that I regret it, it's that I wish I could pull certain years out of my body with a slim, silver hook, watching them painlessly emerge from my skin and dissolve like blue fog rising off a pond.

[REDACTED]

I think the best piece of advice I've ever gotten was from [REDACTED] [REDACTED]—she was a childhood friend of my aunt's, you know. She told me—this was before all that business about [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in the [REDACTED] was made public—“never [REDACTED] a [REDACTED] when you can [REDACTED] a larger [REDACTED].” Words to [REDACTED] by.