Ray Bradbury



About the Author

Ray Douglas Bradbury was born on August 22, 1920 in Waukegan, Illinois, to Ester Moberg Bradbury and Leonard Spaulding Bradbury. Bradbury decided to become an author at about age 12 or 13. Bradbury's family moved to Los Angeles, California in 1934. After graduating from high school in 1938. Since Bradbury was unable to afford to attend college, instead Bradbury went to the library 3 days a week for 10 years. Bradbury proceeded to publish short stories including his own fan magazine *Futuria Fantasia*. Bradbury sold his first professional piece "Pendulum" in November 1941, a month before the United States entered World War II. Due to vision Bradbury was ruled ineligible for military service. Bradbury became a full-time writer by early 1945. Bradbury's first collection of short stories, *Dark Carnival*, was published in 1947. That same year he married Marguerite "Maggie" McClure whom he met while she was working as a clerk at a bookstore. The couple had 4 children; Susan, Romana, Bettina, and Alexandra. Bradbury passed away in Los Angeles on June 5 2012 at the age of 91.

Fahrenheit 451

Ray Bradbury's dystopian novel *Fahrenheit 451* was published in 1953. The novel, widely regarded as one of his best works, depicts a future American society in which books are prohibited and "firemen" burn any that are discovered.

Interview with Ray Bradbury about Fahrenheit 451

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Fahrenheit 451	1953
The Martian Chronicles	1950
Dandelion Wine	1957
The Veldt	1950
All Summer in a Day	1954
The Illustrated Man	1951
A Sound of Thunder	1952
Something Wicked This Way Comes	1962
The Smile	1952
There Will Come Soft Rains	1950
The Pedestrian	1951
The Halloween Tree	1972
The October Country	1955
The Fog Horn	1951
A Medicine for Melancholy	1959
Zero Hour	1947
Farewell Summer	2006
Dark Carnival	1947

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