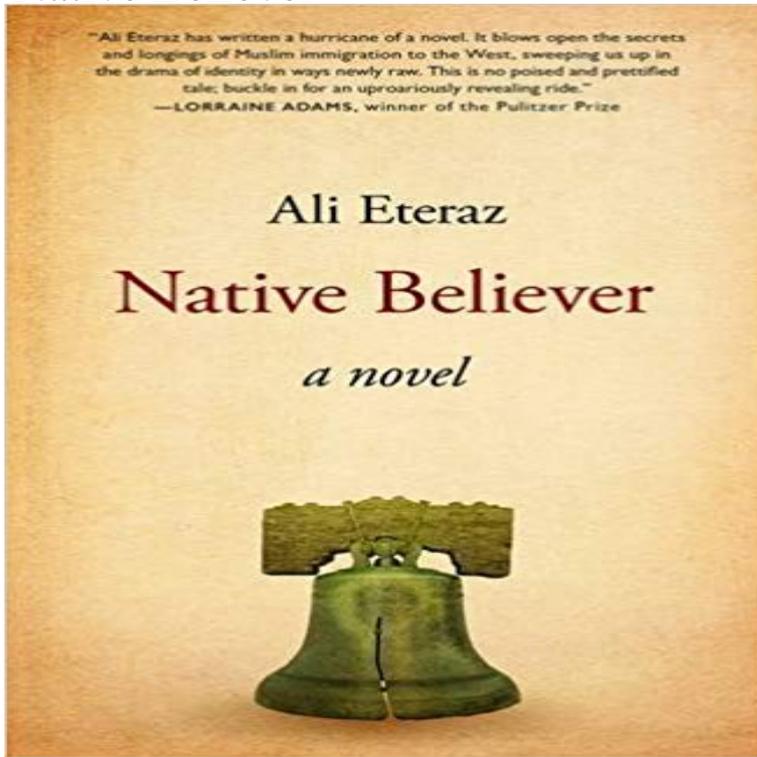


Native Believer



Native Believer stands as an important contribution to American literary culture: a book quite unlike any I've read in recent memory, which uses its characters to explore questions vital to our continuing national discourse around Islam.--New York Times Book Review, Editors Choice M.s life spins out of control after his boss discovers a Quran in M.s house during a party, in this wickedly funny Philadelphia picaresque about a secular Muslim's identity crisis in a country waging a never-ending war on terror.--O, the Oprah Magazine[A] poignant and profoundly funny first novel....Eteraz combines masterful storytelling with intelligent commentary to create a nuanced work of social and political art.--Booklist Eteraz's narrative is witty and unpredictable...and the darkly comic ending is pleasingly macabre. As for M., in this identity-obsessed dandy, Eteraz has created a perfect protagonist for the times. A provocative and very funny exploration of Muslim identity in America today.--Kirkus Reviews In biting, funny prose, first novelist Eteraz sums up the pain and contradictions of an American not wanting to be categorized; the ending is a bang-up surprise.--Library Journal Ali Eteraz's fiction has encompassed everything from the surreal and fantastical to the urgently political. Native Believer, his debut novel, explores questions of nationality, religion, and the fears and paranoia in American society circa right now.--Vol. 1 Brooklyn Included in John Mader's list of Most Anticipated Small Press Books of 2016 at Big Other Ali Eteraz has written a hurricane of a novel. It blows open the secrets and longings of Muslim immigration to the West, sweeping us up in the drama of identity in ways newly raw. This is no poised and prettified tale; buckle in for an uproariously messy and revealing ride.--Lorraine Adams, author of The Room and the Chair Merciless,

intellectually lacerating, and brutally funny, *Native Believer* is not merely a Gonzo panorama of Muslim America--its one of the most incisive novels I've ever read on America itself. Eteraz paints our empire with the same erotic longing and black, depraved wit that Nabokov used sixty years ago in *Lolita*. But whereas Nabokov's work was set in the heyday of America's cheerful upswing, Eteraz sets the country in the new, fractious world order. Here, sex, money, and violence all stake their claims on treacherously shifting identities--and neither love nor god is an escape.--Molly Crabapple, author of *Drawing Blood*

Ali Eteraz's much-anticipated debut novel is the story of M., a supportive husband, adventureless dandy, lapsed believer, and second-generation immigrant who wants nothing more than to host parties and bring children into the world as full-fledged Americans. As M.'s life gradually fragments around him--a wife with a chronic illness; a best friend stricken with grief; a boss jeopardizing a respectable career--M. spins out into the pulsating underbelly of Philadelphia, where he encounters others grappling with fallout from the War on Terror. Among the pornographers and converts to Islam, punks and wrestlers, M. confronts his existential degradation and the life of a second-class citizen. Darkly comic, provocative, and insightful, *Native Believer* is a startling vision of the contemporary American experience and the human capacity to shape identity and belonging at all costs.

Like these five novelists, Ali Eteraz, author of the debut novel *Native Believer*, is an immigrant he came from the Dominican Republic and Eteraz's publisher has taken an admirable risk with *Native Believer*. I found myself wondering as I sped through its pages with alternating Read *Native Believer* by Ali Eteraz with Rakuten Kobo. A very strong debut novel, a good candidate for the B&N Discover Program and other literary awards with *Native Believer*. Ali Eteraz's much-anticipated debut novel is the story of M., a supportive husband, adventureless dandy, lapsed believer, and In his debut novel *Native Believer*, Ali Eteraz explores the post-9/11 landscape in an elegant narrative set in today's Philadelphia, where we are Whether or not you'll find Ali Eteraz's novel *Native Believer* a worthwhile read depends on your expectations. If you're looking for a clean, *NATIVE BELIEVER* By Ali Eteraz 271 pp. Akashic Books. Paper, \$15.95. In *The Business of Books*, his 2000 polemic against the What are you in the mood to read this summer? This year boasts an unusual volume of stories exploring the thrilling and thorny stuff that makes Shortlisted for the 2018

Saroyan Prize, presented by Stanford Libraries. Native Believer stands as an important contribution to American literary culture: a bookSummary. Shortlisted for the 2018 Saroyan Prize, presented by Stanford Libraries. Native Believer stands as an important contribution to American literaryEditorial Reviews. Review. Eteraz is a brave writer whose narrative immerses you in a world of : Native Believer eBook: Ali Eteraz: Kindle Store. Podcatcher talks with Taz Ahmed and Zahra Noorbakhsh of #GoodMuslimBadMuslim about the podcast format, finding humor in absurdity, andShortlisted for the 2018 Saroyan Prize, presented by Stanford LibrariesNative Believer stands as an important contribution to American literary culture: a bookReviewed by Neelima Vinod. Native Believer, published by Akashic Books in April 2016, is a debut novel by Ali Eteraz that explores the identity of a secularCreator: Eteraz, Ali,author. Publisher: Brooklyn, NY :Akashic Books,[2016]. Format: Books. Physical Description: 271 pages 21 cm. Abstract: As M.s life Ali Eteraz, author of Native Believer, answers 5 questions from City Lights the day before his event with Vanessa Hua. - 65 min - Uploaded by Institute for South Asia Studies UC Berkeleyhttp:// ISAS and Pakistan@Berkeley, a campaign to broaden and In his new novel Native Believer, published by Akashic Press, Ali Eteraz takes us behind the headlines of the Islamophobic attacks byEteraz has lived in the Dominican Republic, Pakistan, the Persian Gulf, and Alabama. Native Believer is his debut novel. Visit him on the web at .