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"Anthony Bourdain meets Roberto Bolaño." -Nathaniel Kennon Perkins, author of *Wallop*

"a culinary *On the Road*" -Ryan Bradford, author of *AwkwardSD*

"You will want to call your old friends up and tell them you love them, or at least invite them over for a meal. It will make you wish you were from San Diego." -Lora Mathis, artist and author of *The Women Widowed to Themselves*

"Oh what a joy to have lived, to have eaten, and to remember it at all." -Nick Bernal, *Burn All Books*

"I want to eat every meal in this book while I laugh and cry." -Dmitry Samarov, author of *Old Style*

"Not since Steinbeck has a writer captured what it is to be with and for the world pressing against your skull." -Giacommo Pope, *Neutral Spaces* founder, author of *Chainsaw Poems & Other Poems*

Falling somewhere between *Trainspotting* and *Like Water for Chocolate*, Adam Gnade's self-described "food novel" frames each chapter around a meal, and from there moves wild in all directions. *After Tonight, Everything Will Be Different* takes place in San Diego taco shops and rundown beach apartments, on the amusement park boardwalk at 3am and in cars bound for Tijuana and drunken glory. Like Proust's baroque autobiographical fantasies, this is a book rich with details and life. Gnade's youthful characters sink to hard drugs and deep depression as they navigate life at the end of the last century. They celebrate and they battle with their demons and throughout it all they eat. This is not a food snob's novel. Instead Gnade writes about the pain and joy of life and the ways that common, everyday food is there with us at each step. This is a book of deli sub sandwiches, endless burritos, eggplant parmesan, the magnificence of good sourdough bread, of box brownies and Nacho Cheese Doritos, rolled tacos and the perfect tortilla. *After Tonight, Everything Will Be Different* is a raging, ecstatic, troubled book that shows a world of food and a world of life, each inextricable from the other.

About the author:

Born and raised in San Diego, California, Adam Gnade now lives on the Ruby Teeth Homestead in the rural Midwest. His books and audio recordings of writing share characters and plotlines in an attempt to build a vast universe documenting how it was to live in the time that he was alive. The ongoing collected series is titled *We Live Nowhere and Know No One*, and continues in a variety of novels, novellas, and writing released on vinyl and cassette.

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