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Elsewhen Press signs award-winning author for philosophical science fiction

Latest book from Scottish author Douglas Thompson to be published by independent publisher

DARTFORD, KENT – 1 FEBRUARY 2012 – Elsewhen Press, a small independent publisher specialising in Speculative Fiction, based in the South East of England, today announced that award-winning Scottish author, **Douglas Thompson**, has signed a publishing deal for an undisclosed sum for his next science fiction novel, **Entanglement**. Described as philosophical science fiction, Entanglement explores our assumptions about such constants as death, birth, sex and conflict, as the characters in the story explore distant worlds and the intelligent life that lives there.

Entanglement starts in 2180 when travel to neighbouring star systems has been mastered by the use of quantum teleportation, ‘entanglement’ of sub-atomic matter. In the course of the novel, 24 worlds are explored; what humanity discovers is both surprising and disturbing, enlightening and shocking. Each alternative to mankind that they find, sheds light on human shortcomings and potential and offers fresh perspectives on life on Earth. Meanwhile personal human dramas play out at home for the astronauts and those in charge of the missions.

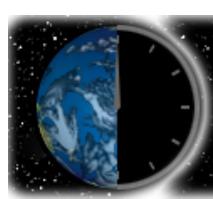
Al Murray, Managing Publisher of Elsewhen Press said “We are very pleased to be publishing Douglas’ next novel. First and foremost our aim is to produce beautifully written, quality stories, that will excite and entertain. But more than that, in our choice of authors and their work, we hope to provide our readers with thought-provoking stories that will stay with them long after they have finished reading. Entanglement captures the excitement and bravery of mankind’s first explorers to the stars, while presenting the reader with fascinating insights into our pre-conceived and long-established notions of what is morally and culturally acceptable.”

Elsewhen Press adopts a digital-first policy, initially publishing new titles in digital format and subsequently in print editions, the reverse of most long-established publishing houses. “This approach allows us to be more innovative and exciting,” explained Murray, “and publish titles that would otherwise be beyond the resources of a small independent publisher”.

Entanglement will be published in a digital edition this summer and in a print edition in the autumn.

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About Elsewhen Press

Elsewhen Press is a recently established independent publisher of Speculative Fiction. Based in the UK, in the South East of England, Elsewhen Press publishes titles in English in digital and print editions, adopting a digital-first policy for most titles and a digital-only policy for some. Elsewhen Press is an imprint of Alnpete Limited, joining general fiction publisher Alnpete Press.

About Douglas Thompson

Douglas Thompson's short stories have appeared in a wide range of magazines and anthologies, most recently *Albedo One*, *Ambit*, *Postscripts*, and *New Writing Scotland*. He won the Grolsch/Herald Question of Style Award in 1989 and second prize in the Neil Gunn Writing Competition in 2007. His first book, *Ultrameta*, was published in August 2009, nominated for the Edge Hill Prize, and shortlisted for the BFS Best Newcomer Award. His critically acclaimed second novel, *Sylvow*, was published in autumn 2010. A third novel *Apoidea* has recently been released and a fourth *Mechagnosis* is due in June 2012. *Entanglement* will be his fifth novel and his first to be published by Elsewhen Press.

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