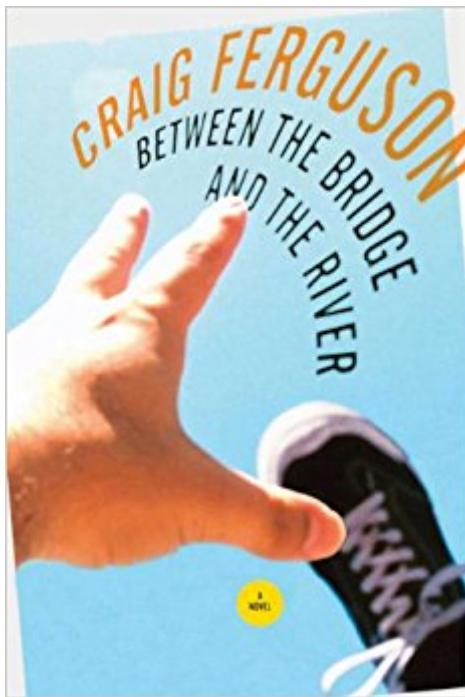


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Synopsis

Bawdy, joyous, messy, hysterically funny, and guaranteed to offend regardless of religion, race, national origin, sexual orientation, or profession *Between the Bridge and the River* is the debut novel by Craig Ferguson, host of CBS's *The Late Late Show*. Two childhood friends from Scotland and two illegitimate half-brothers from the American South suffer and enjoy all manner of bizarre experiences which, as it turns out, are somehow interconnected and, surprisingly enough, meaningful. An eclectic cast of characters includes Carl Jung, Fatty Arbuckle, Virgil, Marat, Socrates, and Tony Randall. Love, greed, hope, revenge, organized religion, and Hollywood are alternately tickled and throttled. Impossible to summarize and impossible to stop reading, this is a romantic comic odyssey that actually delivers and rewards.

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With his debut novel, Craig Ferguson establishes himself as much more than the saucy talk-show host we see nightly on CBS. As one reviewer aptly states, Ferguson "is not a talk-show host moonlighting as an author - it might be the other way around". It is impossible to summarize this book and do it justice. At once poignant and profane, bawdy and beautiful, it is a morality tale of several seemingly disparate individuals each on his own warped road to grace and redemption. Mind you, though, this is not some dreamy esoteric spiritual journey. Ferguson's description of Saul getting action in a bathroom stall will have you fall off your own chair with fits of laughter. And yet just a few pages away the reader is treated to a lovely fairy story of a shape shifting witch and her love for a man. It's an ADD romp of human emotion and experience. The slapstick parodies of

everything from Starbucks to Scientology are hilarious. No one escapes Ferguson's rapier attacks. Certainly no one in Southern California. And casting the movie will be a giggly joy for whichever agency gets that happy task. Who will play the cameo dream sequence appearance of Carl Jung? Of Marat? I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Ferguson at the LA Times Festival of Books (a gargantuan annual convergence of authors and readers at UCLA), and he proved as personable and charming there as he seems on the telly. Craig, by all means use the CBS vehicle to get your face etched firmly into American popular culture. Then please devote yourself full time to writing. You're too good to just interview Tara Reid. That was the sugar. Now for some salt. Craig, Craig, Craig. It's not nice to slap the hand that feeds you.

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