

NEWS RELEASE

Hawthorne Books releases *Dora: A Headcase*

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Independent publishing house Hawthorne Books today announced the availability of *Dora: A Headcase*, the debut novel from award-winning author and memoirist Lidia Yuknavitch.

The novel is a contemporary farce based on Freud's famous case study – retold and revamped through Dora's point of view, with shotgun blasts of dark humor and sexual play, and has been called the female *Fight Club*.

Dora: A Headcase received a starred review in the September issue of *Publishers Weekly*. Other articles, reviews and interviews with the author are forthcoming in *People*, *Mother Jones*, *Bust*, *ForeWord*, *Portland Monthly*, *The Oregonian*, *The Rumpus*, and *Willamette Week*.

Foreign publication rights have been purchased in France, and are currently under consideration in the United Kingdom, Turkey, and Italy.

Film options are under consideration at Focus Features, The Weinstein Company, and Rocking Stone Productions.

A ten-city tour has been scheduled for Ms. Yuknavitch, including joint events with author Chuck Palahniuk (*Fight Club*) in San Francisco, Portland, and others. Solo readings have been booked in Seattle, New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and New Orleans.

Lidia Yuknavitch is the author of *The Chronology of Water*, a memoir which won the Reader's Choice award at the 2012 Oregon Book Awards, was a PEN Center finalist for Creative Nonfiction, and placed on practically every regional Top 10 booklist for 2011. *Dora: A Headcase* is her first novel. Ms. Yuknavitch teaches writing, literature, film, and women's studies in Oregon.

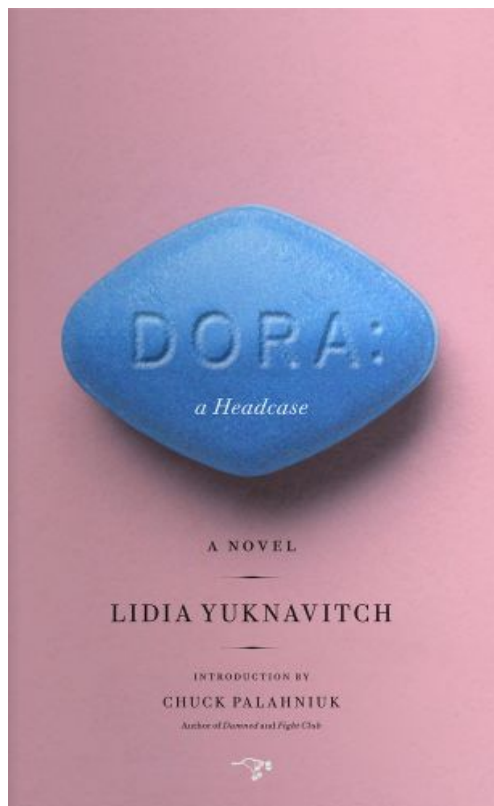
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Dora: A Headcase

Lidia Yuknavitch

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240 pp. + cover

5.5 × 9 in.

Sewn in wraps, with 4" double-scored flaps.
Matte-laminated.

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