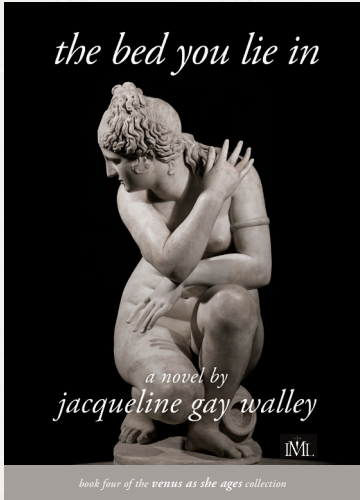


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THE BED YOU LIE IN by Jacqueline Gay Walley

BOOK 4 OF THE VENUS AS SHE AGES COLLECTION

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The Bed You Lie In is a story of an anguished love affair between two adult children (Arieh and Mira) of holocaust survivors who understand each other's backstory, yet cannot release themselves from their parents' pain. Arieh's anger and volatility leads her to a kinder gentler Englishman, Michael. However, Mira cannot accept his goodness, nor what appears to be a dullness compared to the wildness of Arieh, creating a triangle. The seemingly cuckolded man (Arieh) goes mad, wanting to punish the woman with a vengeance that is almost Nazi-ish. She receives it because she feels she deserves it, having been treated badly by her survivor mother. But she knows his rage is born of pain, a pain familiar to hers forcing her to awaken to the past. "It's because of me," Arieh said, 'that you don't want to be alone anymore.' And maybe that was true. I had had to confront myself with him. The messiness of it, all that need that welled up in me. It had nearly killed me but not sublimating those needs had freed me to be real, to desire." Though they were impossible in love, they finally break through moving her to purchase a new bed to lie in and live within her truth.

AWARD: Pirate's Alley/Faulkner Finalist, 2020

British born, Montreal raised, New York City honed, Jacqueline Gay Walley frequently writes about artistic, free-spirited women, whom in each novel face existential issues. The novels are risky, literary, pushing boundaries in form, style, and the exploration of the female psyche. THE BED YOU LIE IN is the fourth novel in a collection called VENUS AS SHE AGES which, in six novels, takes a female through different situations that challenge and test her commitment to truth, beauty, love and freedom.

JACQUELINE GAY WALLEY, under the pen name Gay Walley, has published four novels, *Strings Attached* (finalist for the Capricorn and Pirate's Alley/Faulkner Award) *The Erotic Fire of the Unattainable: Aphorisms on Art, Love, and the Vicissitudes of Life* (finalist for Paris Book Award), *Lost in Montreal*, and *Duet*. Her award-winning play, *Love, Genius and a Walk* opened in New York City in 2013 and will open in London Fall of 2021. Her film, *Erotic Fire of the Unattainable: Longing to be Found* has been selected and shown in the 2020 virtual Brooklyn Film Festival, Sarasota Film Festival, Cinequest Film Festival and will show in American Fringe Festival in Paris in November 2021. She teaches writing privately in New York, as well as edits and ghostwrites.

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