



## The Life of W. B. Yeats: A Critical Biography

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### DESCRIPTION

W. B. Yeats is widely regarded as the greatest English-language poet of the twentieth century. This new critical biography seeks to tell the story of his life as it unfolded in the various contexts in which Yeats worked as an artist and as public figure.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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### FEATURES

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- Considers all Yeats's major works as poet and dramatist in the contexts in which they were written and published.

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- Provides a deep appreciation of the poet's occult knowledge, power and spiritualist illumination.

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