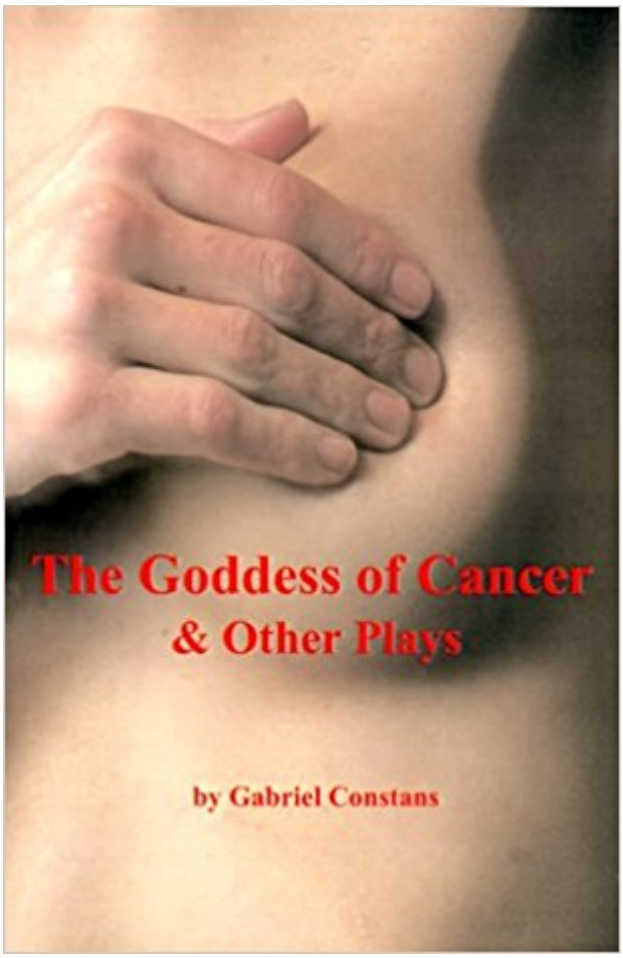
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Synopsis

THE GODDESS OF CANCER AND OTHER PLAYS A collection of one act plays about: cancer incarnated in human form as the Goddess of Cancer; a twelve-step meeting for disposed or deceased dictators, entitled "Dictators Annoymous"; "Good Intentions", which portrays four famous proponents of communism discussing their intentions at an American greasy spoon diner; and a short screen play about violence and its aftermath, entitled "A Murderous Rage".

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Customer Reviews

This collection of one act plays deals with a lot of issues and situations I would rather ignore, such as cancer and dictators. What caught me by surprise, after the eye-catching cover, was how the author was able to mix a number of real emotions and reactions to cancer into a humorous and engaging drama.Cancer touches everyone at some level. Almost everyone I know either has had or knows someone who has or has had cancer in their family. The author cleverly brings the disease into a human personality (The Goddess), then has different people interact with THEIR cancer, by actually having conversations with it/her!One of the other plays is about dictators and is called "Dictator’s Anonymous". The author seems to have taken the childhood events of well known dictator’s, such as Hitler, Stalin and Pol Pot, and placed these men in a twelve step meeting, where they talk about their childhood experiences. It doesn’t justify their behavior, but it was quite insightful and interesting to see the similarities in their personalities.The third play in the book again has some well known communist figures (Stalin, Marx, Mao and Gorbachev) sitting in a small greasy American

diner, discussing how they each didn't understand communism. Again, it seems as if the author has been able to take extraordinary figures, use some of their actual words and place them in a common, everyday environment.The last section is more of a short screenplay then a play. It graphically shows the spiraling effects of a young man's death on all those who know him, or have any contact with him on the day he's murdered or soon thereafter. There was no humor in this piece in the least, and though it was my least favorite it got its message out loud and clear.Overall, I'd rate this book highly. I discovered it at a book fair at a small publishers stand. I hope it gets a larger audience.

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