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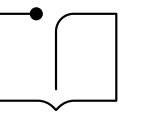


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The Nobel Prize in Literature

“the person who shall have produced in the field of literature the most outstanding work in an ideal direction”



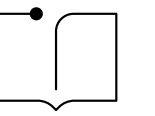


The 2023 literature prize



Jon Fosse
Born: 1959, Norway

“for his innovative plays and prose which
give voice to the unsayable”



Debut and breakthrough



Jon Fosse's debut as a writer occurred in 1983. In the late 1990s, he made his big breakthrough as a playwright.

Recurring themes throughout Fosse's works



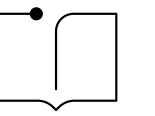
Jon Fosse depicts feelings and experiences that many people can relate to, but which can be difficult to capture in words.

The plays

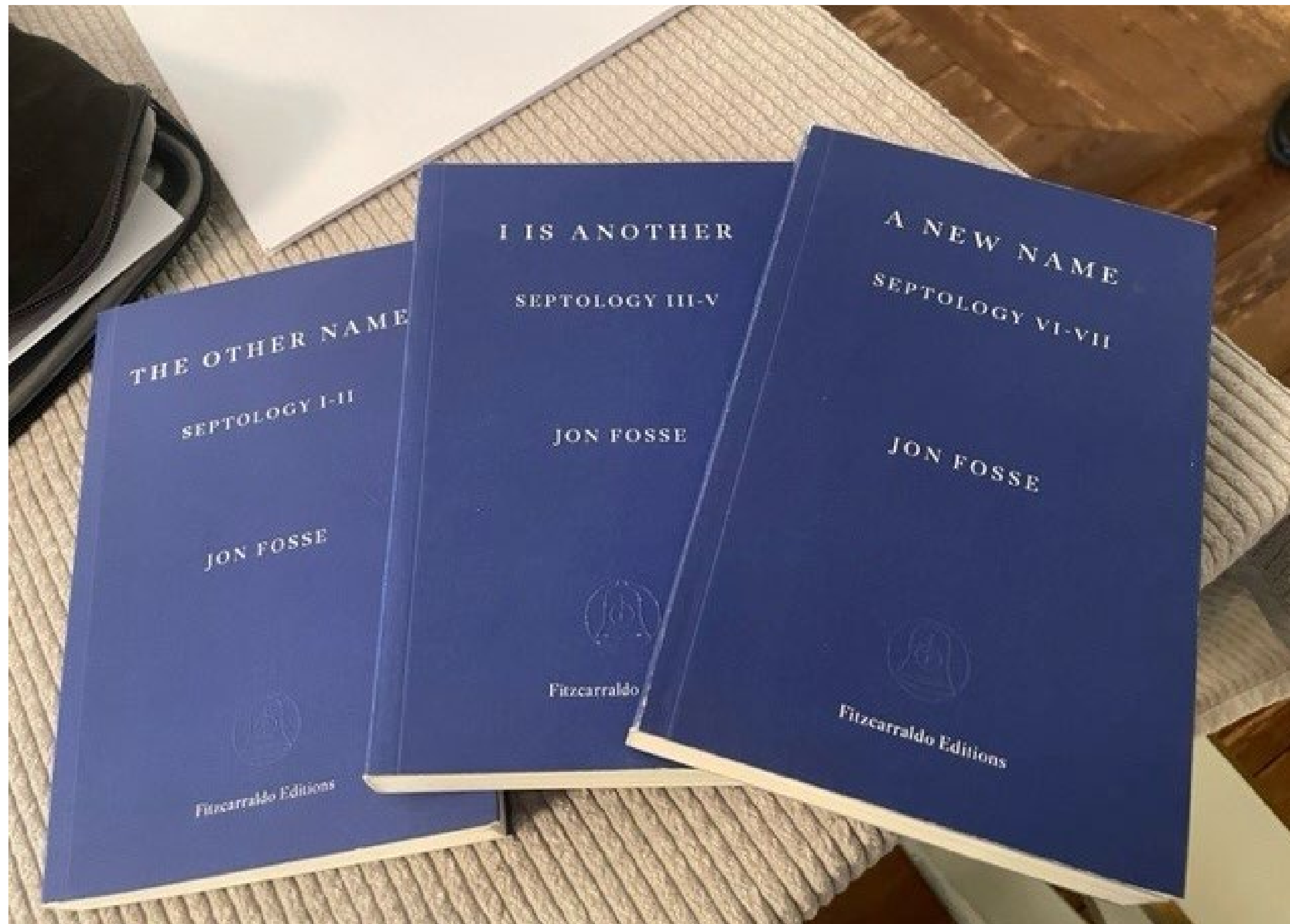
Jon Fosse is one of the most widely performed playwrights of our era. His plays have been presented on theatre stages all over the world.



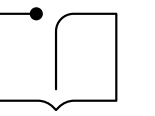
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The novels



In recent years, Jon Fosse's novels have received increasing attention. One of his most important works is *Septology*, a series of novels in seven parts.



... it's a memorable day, Asle is leaving his childhood home while he's still so young, so that's the end of his adolescence, the end of childhood, but that's how it is out in the country, if you want to go to school you need to move away, Father says and Asle doesn't say anything and he thinks finally, finally, he's leaving home, he can't wait, he's going to live by himself, alone, and not have to listen to Mother constantly nagging about him needing a haircut ...

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