

Miss Emily

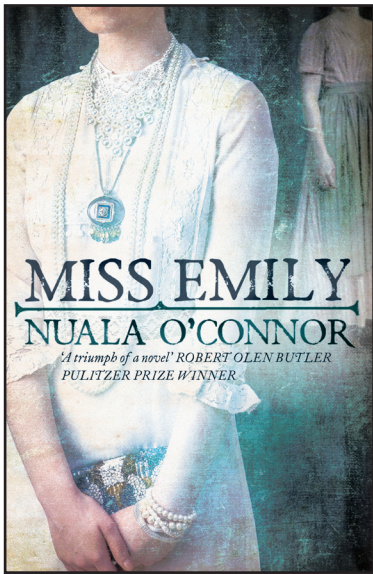
Nuala O'Connor

'An original portrayal of Emily Dickinson...' -Sheila Kohler

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'O'Connor brings one of America's most beloved poets to life... This novel has the possibility of being a book club juggernaut.'
- Starred review, Publishers Weekly

'Nuala O'Connor's lovely novel pulls us in from its first limpid lines and then detonates with an explosion of power — much like Emily Dickinson's poems.'
- Washington Post

'There can be no better pairing than the great American poet Emily Dickinson recreated through the magical imagination of Irish writer Nuala O'Connor.'
- Toronto Star

'Irish writer Nuala O'Connor breathes new life into reclusive poet Emily Dickinson in her mesmerizing U.S. debut.'
- Booklist

'...beautifully and convincingly evokes the startling, luminous world captured in Dickinson's poems.'
- Library Journal

ABOUT THIS BOOK

Eighteen-year-old Ada Concannon is the plucky new maid for the respected but eccentric Dickinson family of Amherst, Massachusetts. Despite their difference in age and the upstairs-downstairs divide, Ada, newly arrived from Ireland, strikes up a deep friendship with the thirty-six-year-old Emily Dickinson, the gifted middle child. Miss Emily is a bastion of support as Ada struggles to find her place in this new world, but Emily's passion for words begins to dominate her life. She will wear only white and avoids the world outside the Dickinson homestead. When Ada's safety and reputation are threatened, however, Emily must face down her own demons to help her friend, with shocking consequences.

One of America's most beloved and reclusive poets is vividly brought to life through her own voice in this brilliant novel.

SALES & MARKETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Full campaign in Britain and Ireland using the services of Ruth Killick Publicity and Gill Hess
- The author has won many literary awards

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Nuala O'Connor was born in Dublin in 1970 and lives in East Galway with her family. She is a well-regarded short story writer and novelist in her native Ireland. Nuala has published several works in Ireland but this is her UK and US debut. She has won many fiction awards including RTÉ radio's Francis MacManus Award, the Cúirt New Writing Prize, the Jane Geske Award (USA), the inaugural Jonathan Swift Award and the Cecil Day Lewis Award. She was shortlisted for the European Prize for Literature.



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