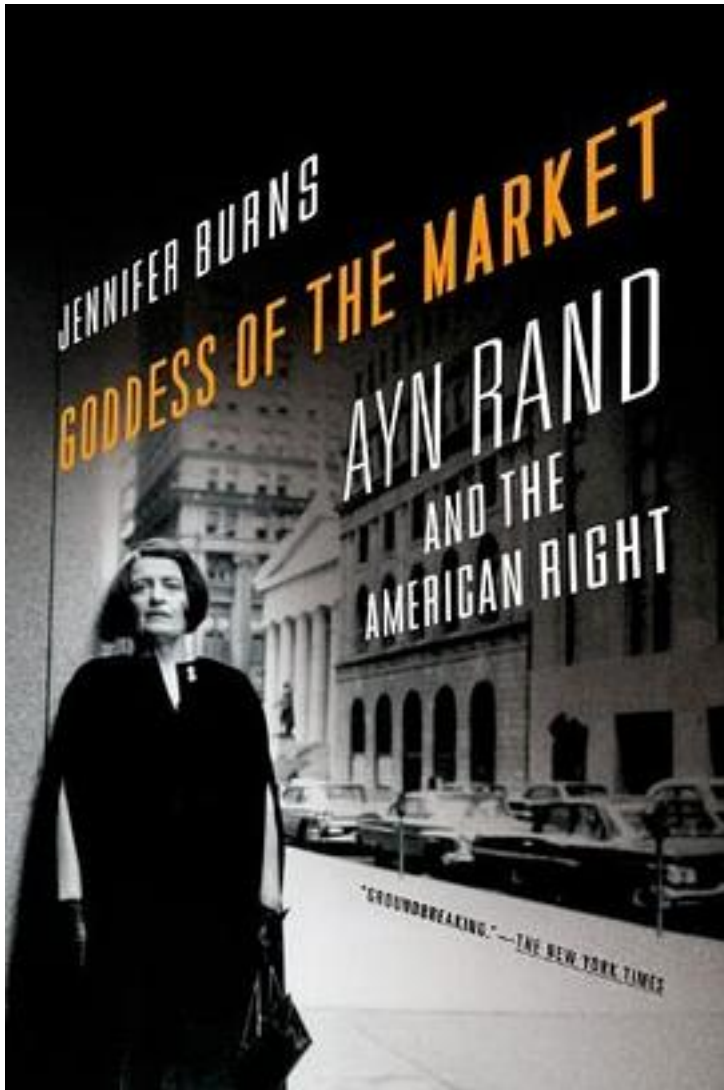


# Goddess of the Market



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Worshipped by her fans, denounced by her enemies, and forever shadowed by controversy and scandal, the novelist and philosopher Ayn Rand was a powerful thinker whose views on government and markets shaped the conservative movement from its earliest days. Drawing on unprecedented access to Rand's private papers and the original, unedited versions of Rand's journals, Jennifer Burns offers a groundbreaking reassessment of this key cultural figure, examining her life, her ideas, and her impact on conservative political thought. *Goddess of the Market* follows Rand from her childhood in Russia through her meteoric rise from struggling Hollywood screenwriter to bestselling novelist, including the writing of her wildly successful *The Fountainhead* and *Atlas Shrugged*. Burns highlights the two facets of Rand's work that make her a perennial draw for those on the right: her promotion of capitalism, and her defense of limited government. Both sprang from her early, bitter experience of life under Communism, and became among the most deeply enduring of her messages, attracting a diverse audience of college students and intellectuals, business people and Republican Party activists, libertarians and conservatives. The book also traces the development of Rand's Objectivist philosophy and her relationship with Nathaniel Branden, her closest intellectual partner, with whom she had an explosive falling out in 1968. This extraordinary book captures the life of the woman who was a tireless champion of capitalism and the freedom of the individual, and whose ideas are still devoured by eager students, debated on blogs, cited by political candidates, and promoted by corporate tycoons.

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在历史背景下再看她的书感觉很不一样，果然还是被书中描绘的浪漫世界而不是她的"哲学理念"吸引了。她老年真是令人唏嘘，虽然年轻时性格就够奇葩，但老了之后的乖戾、固执、封闭就更加明显。最后小情人给她的那一击更是惨不忍睹。还是更喜欢她作家的那面，作为一个女人、朋友、哲学家她都太不讨喜了。

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THIS is how one writes a biography. Extensive research, impartial in general, smooth juxtaposition of the individual and the times.

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