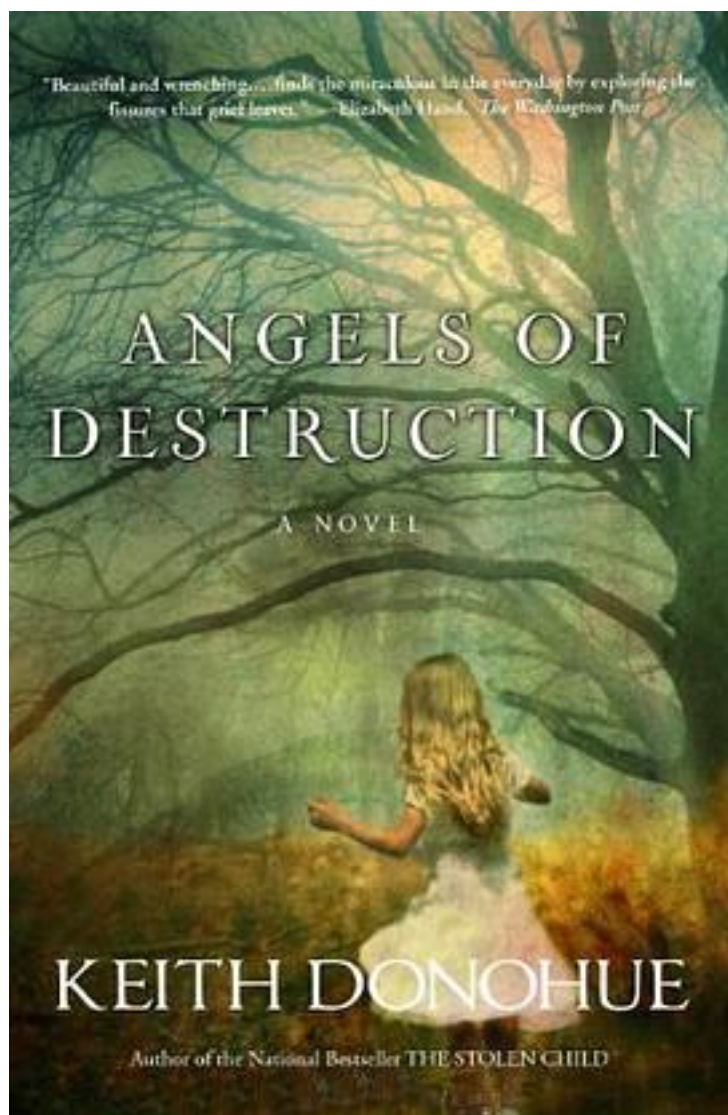


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Keith Donohue's first novel, *The Stolen Child*, was a national bestseller hailed as "captivating" (USA Today), "luminous and thrilling" (Washington Post), and "wonderful...So spare and unsentimental that it's impossible not to be moved" (Newsweek). His new novel, *Angels of Destruction*, opens on a winter's night, when a young girl appears at the home of Mrs. Margaret Quinn, a widow who lives alone. A decade earlier, she had lost her only child, Erica, who fled with her high school sweetheart to join a radical student group known as the Angels of Destruction. Before Margaret answers the knock in the dark hours, she whispers a prayer and then makes her visitor welcome at the door.

The girl, who claims to be nine years old and an orphan with no place to go, beguiles Margaret, offering some solace, some compensation, for the woman's loss. Together, they hatch a plan to pass her off as her newly found granddaughter, Norah Quinn, and enlist Sean Fallon, a classmate and heartbroken boy, to guide her into the school and town.

Their conspiracy is vulnerable not only to those children and neighbors intrigued by Norah's mysterious and magical qualities but by a lone figure shadowing the girl who threatens to reveal the child's true identity and her purpose in Margaret's life. Who are these strangers really? And what is their connection to the past, the Angels, and the long-missing daughter?

Angels of Destruction is an unforgettable story of hope and fear, heartache and redemption. The saga of the Quinn family unfolds against an America wracked by change. As it delicately dances on the line between the real and the imagined, this mesmerizing new novel confirms Keith Donohue's standing as one of our most inspiring and inventive novelists.

From the Hardcover edition.

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凯斯·唐纳胡 (Keith Donohue)

出生于一个爱尔兰裔的美国家庭，在七个孩子中排行第四，从小就觉得自己可能是个换生灵。他的第一份工作是在美国艺术基金会担任讲稿撰写人，在长达八年的工作中，利用课余时间获得文学博士学位。

一九七四年立志以写作为业，并花了七年时间写下处女作《失窃的孩子》。此书尚未出版即受关注，美国亚马逊网上书店更是秘密买下电影版权，作为进军好莱坞的第一炮。随后，《失窃的孩子》不仅名列各大畅销书排行榜，更获得二〇〇六年《轨迹》杂志最佳新人作品奖，并入围鹅毛大奖，是亚马逊网上书店文学小说榜和奇幻科幻榜双料冠军。

《毁灭天使》是唐纳胡的第二本小说。出版后广受好评，并荣获《华盛顿邮报》2009年十大好书。

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