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GLENN SHAHEEN
Unchecked Savagery

PRAISE:

"These miniature worlds celebrate the strange and the ordinary, burger shacks and full moons and a woman who has a crisis of faith over *Soul Train*. Glenn Shaheen blends the laugh-out-loud funny with a wistful wisdom so cutting you might feel a little bad that you laughed. 'What children we are of disappointment and luxury,' a character tells us, and the reader nods: disappointment in ourselves or our lovers or *Soul Train*, maybe, but never a moment of disappointment in these stories."

– Caitlin Horrocks

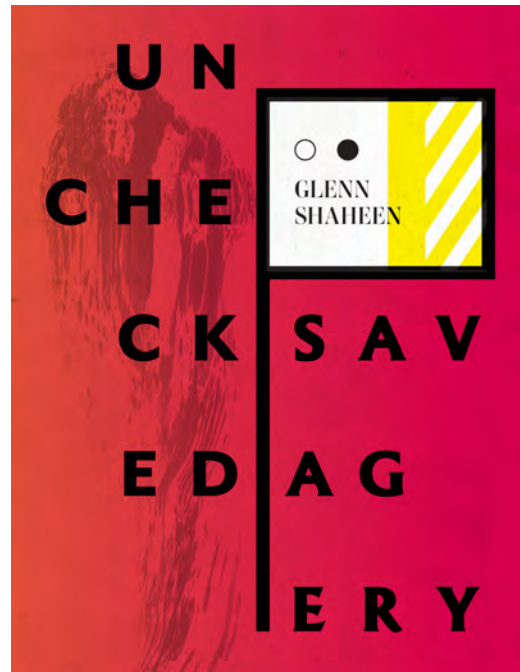
ABOUT THE CHAP:

Unchecked Savagery, Glenn Shaheen's first collection of flash fiction, introduces the reader to a tragicomic universe where bad jokes become pathos-laden impetus, media landscapes are transformed into loci of passion and intrigue, and the intimate territory of the uncertain relationship becomes a funny, hellish adventure. Shaheen's eye for detail and ear for threats wither archetypes, seeking the sublime glimpses memorialized here: assignments on a night train, the game of love made suddenly desperate, the fragile body in unkind hands.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:



Glenn Shaheen is the author of the poetry collection *Predatory* (University of Pittsburgh Press), which won the Agnes Lynch Starrett Prize. His work has appeared in *The New Republic*, *Redivider*, *Ploughshares*, and elsewhere. Born in Nova Scotia, he currently lives in Michigan where he serves on the board of the Radius of Arab-American Writers, Inc.



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