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"The novel has a timeless quality: The struggle of the individual to fit into a normalizing society remains just as relevant today as it was at the time of writing." --- The Japan Times

From the Back Cover

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About the Author

Osamu Dazai (1909-1948) was a twentieth-century Japanese novelist. His many published works include The Setting Sun, Self Portraits, Schoolgirl, and Return to Tsugaru: Travels of a Purple Tramp.

An AudioFile Earphones Award winner, David Shih narrated the History Channel documentary China's First Emperor and the Discovery Networks series Royal Inquest. His many television and film credits include roles in The Path, Law & Order: Special Victims Unit, All My Children, The Amazing Spider-Man 2, and Saving Face.

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