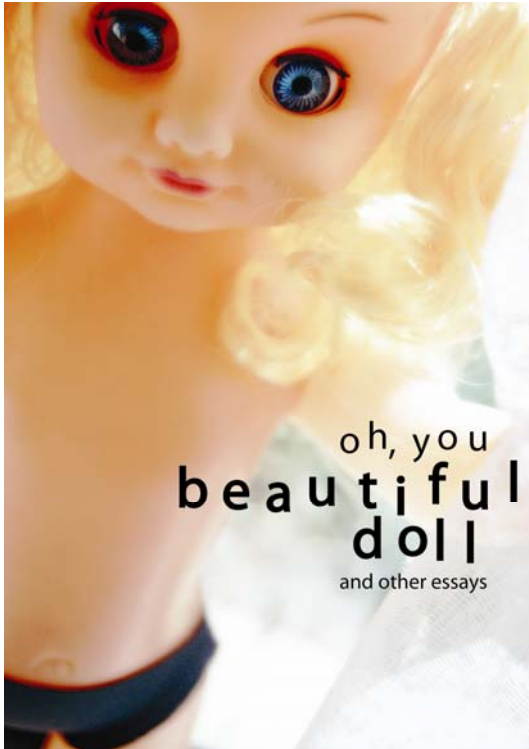


Oh, You Beautiful Doll and other essays

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"Don't get me wrong, I'm not allergic to children—I'm actually a big fan of kids. However, I take offence to a society that still considers women who have babies to be carrying out their sacred duty, while women who do not have babies are regarded as incomplete."

When engaging in a discussion about altruism it becomes clear that it is certainly a complicated subject. The four essays contained in this collection examine altruism from very different angles.

Edited by Candace Petrik this collection of extended essays delves into the human condition and explores a sticky subject. Discussing altruism raises many questions about the motives and inner workings of all people.

About the Book

One essay challenges the notion that reproduction and motherhood is an innately selfless act while another essay explores the author's struggle with the concept of altruism. One goes into detail about certain altruistic people, with a look at the dark side of giving yourself over to others. And lastly, the title essay, examines the use of sex dolls and whether or not a damaged person's behaviour can be altruistic if they remove themselves from influencing others.

Much scientific research and human study has been conducted in this area however these essays come at the topic from a non-scientific perspective. The authors bring up as many questions as they answer. The writings are controversial, humbling, humorous, serious, hopeful and cynical and the perfect start to the task of bridging the gaps in our knowledge and the gaps in the conversation.

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