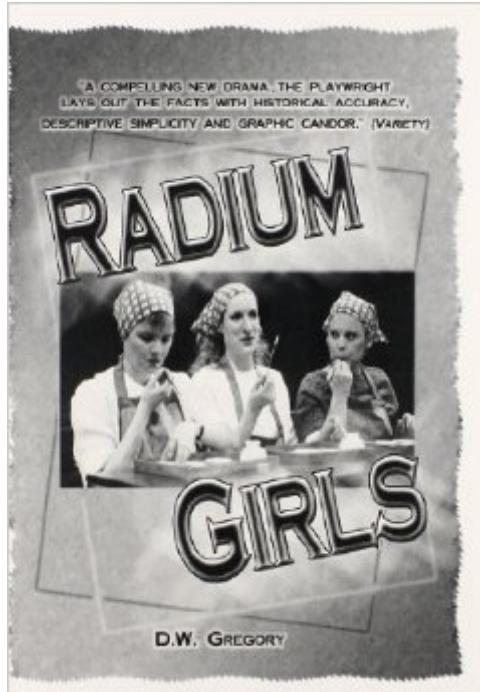


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# Radium Girls



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## Customer Reviews

Playwright D.W. Gregory knows drama. With keen control of character and pace she reels in the audience then cunningly pulls from them the emotional threads that tie their attention to the action. Her gifted agility for dialog and the skill to paint people in honest, humanistic hues, allows Gregory to present protagonists we never entirely love, antagonists we never wholly hate. *Radium Girls* is based on true-life tragedy: an industrial slaughter of the innocents made possible by a strange marriage of ignorance and corporate duplicity. The play proves haunting and timeless, leaving theatre-goers with at least as many questions as answers -- as well it should. Well-researched and well-written, Gregory's triumphantly rendered *Radium Girls* makes of theatre what it ought to be: distilling, disturbing, distracting. Why? Because good theatre distills concepts of broad scope and great impact into digestible chunks, disturbs us from the cushioned confines of our personal comfort zones, forcing us to think, and momentarily distracts us from real time as it thoroughly draws us in. In short: it condenses; it edifies; it entertains. I was fortunate to see the world premier of this play as well as several additional productions around the country. If you have an opportunity to produce, perform in, or attend a production of *Radium Girls*, don't miss it. You'll come out glowing.

Well written, slightly avant-garde treatment of a truly shameful story of corporate greed and

misinformation. The action flows nicely from scene to scene, told through the eyes of one Radium Girl and her struggles to get justice for her condition. The Radium Girls case led to a major reformation in industrial safety laws and corporate responsibility. An entertaining readâ "I would like to see a production someday.

I appreciate that this volume is available on but D.W. is not Donald. Just to correct the record .... [...] for anyone who wants to check me out. I'm a chick.

This is a great play and great subject. The play is suitable for high school or college students. It gives a good description of the Radium Painters tragedy. People who enjoy this play should also read "These Shining Lives" which is also about the radium dial painters but puts them in their early 20-30s. The sorrow and courage of these women in 1920's America is amazing.

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