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Chicago, Illinois Feb 17, 2023 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.IssueWire.com)) - *THE ISLANDER* BY DAVID W. BERNER

The Shortish Project is proud to announce the publication of *The Islander*, a short novel by David W. Berner (ISBN 9798987839805; 3/9/23, 174 pgs in pbk and ebook).

Seamus Damp is an aging American-born writer who retreats to a remote island off the coast of Ireland to escape to monastic life. But his troubled past is always near, and his estranged relationship with his son is fraught with heartbreak. When a young woman who carries her own heartache-filled past comes to the island on a solitary spiritual and hiking adventure, she and Seamus discover an unusual bond and together attempt to find a way to heal their hearts and erase their collective sorrows.

During a harrowing coastal storm, the young woman seeks refuge at Seamus' door. A night of conversation while the wild weather rages begin their journey toward a mutual understanding of their personal stories of betrayal, death, and emotional hopelessness. Eventually, the young woman helps Seamus through health emergencies, and emergencies of the heart -- old and new -- as she, too, attempts to discover her own way toward an emotional breakthrough on a beautiful yet rugged, wind-swept island where solitude is its greatest gift.

About David W. Berner

David W. Berner is the author of several books of fiction and personal narrative. He has been the recipient of awards from the Society of Midland Authors and the Eric Hoffer Book Awards and has been honored as the writer-in-residence at the Jack Kerouac Project and the Ernest Hemingway Birthplace Home.

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About The Shortish Project

The Shortish Project is a new publishing program dedicated to expanding access to short novels, a format beloved by readers and too often overlooked by publishers. In addition to its "open door" publishing program, the Project features a catalog of 250+ popular short novels from the past 14 years and another 250 short novels from the previous 200 years. The Project is built on the sister shoulders of Outpost19 Books, an award-winning publisher celebrating its 10th year. Learn more at theshortishproject.com.

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