

The Misanthrope, Tartuffe, and Other Plays: A Literary Journey into Molière's Wit and Wisdom

An to the Master of French Comedy

Jean-Baptiste Poquelin, known to the world as Molière, stands as one of the most celebrated playwrights in history. His comedic genius, sharp wit, and profound insights into human nature have left an enduring legacy that continues to enchant audiences centuries later. This Oxford World Classics edition invites you to explore three of Molière's most renowned masterpieces: The Misanthrope, Tartuffe, and other captivating plays.



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The Misanthrope: A Scathing Satire of Society



In *The Misanthrope*, Molière paints a scathing portrait of 17th-century French society. Alceste, the titular protagonist, is a cynical recluse who despises the hypocrisy and superficiality of the world around him. His biting remarks and acerbic wit cut through the pretenses of the upper classes, exposing their shallowness and moral bankruptcy.

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Tartuffe is a timeless comedy that delves into the dangerous depths of religious hypocrisy. The play follows the wealthy Orgon, who falls under the spell of Tartuffe, a manipulative and self-serving imposter. As Tartuffe gains power within the family, his true nature is gradually revealed, threatening to destroy their lives.

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- **The Physician in Spite of Himself:** A hilarious farce about a reluctant doctor who must face his fears.
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- **The Imaginary Invalid:** A satirical comedy that skewers the medical profession and hypochondria.

A Treasure Trove of Literary Delight

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