

The Three Stigmata of Palmer Eldritch books

The Three Stigmata of Palmer Eldritch Dick at his wildest and strangest - a mystifying but brilliant book - *SF: 100 Best Novels*

In the overcrowded world and cramped space colonies of the late 21st century, tedium can be endured through the drug Can-D, which enables users to inhabit a shared illusory world. When industrialist Palmer Eldritch returns from an interstellar trip, he brings with him a new drug, Chew-Z. It is far more potent than Can-D, but threatens to plunge the world into a permanent state of drugged illusion controlled by the mysterious Eldritch.

He was the funniest SF writer of his time, and perhaps the most terrifying - *The Encyclopedia of Science Fiction*

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