



## A NEW NOVEL SET AROUND CHERNOBYL

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***All That Is Solid Melts Into Air*. Meet the Author and Hear Excerpts  
May 19, 7pm at Busboys & Poets, 14th St. NW, Washington, DC**

You are invited to attend a literary evening with Darragh McKeon, author of [\*All That Is Solid Melts Into Air\*](#), on Monday, May 19th at [Busboys and Poets](#) in Washington, DC.

McKeon will read from his searingly beautiful novel set during and after the Chernobyl nuclear disaster as the Soviet Union crumbles. The event, hosted by Beyond Nuclear, will take place in the Langston Room of the Busboys & Poets restaurant and bookstore at 2021 14th St. NW, from 7pm-9pm. It is free and open to the public.

Copies of the book can be purchased at any time from the [Busboys bookstore](#). It is published by Harper Collins and is also available through [various online outlets](#). McKeon will sign books and answer questions after the talk.

*All That Is Solid Melts Into Air* is McKeon's first novel. Originally from Ireland and now living in New York, he was inspired after Chernobyl Children International, an organization created and led by Adi Roche, began bringing children harmed by the aftermath of the nuclear disaster to his home town for "radiation vacations."

The book has been praised by fellow Irish writers, Colm Toibín and Colum McCann and described in reviews as "powerful and moving" and "a supremely accomplished social novel." An essay accompanying the book describes McKeon's personal experience visiting Ukraine and Belarus.

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### FURTHER READING

Darragh McKeon: <http://www.darraghmckeeon.com>

Chernobyl Children International: <http://www.chernobyl-international.com/home>