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*Alien Heart* has 9 ratings and 2 reviews. Ursula said: This review appeared in *The Peterborough Examiner* in October, *Alien Heart The Life And Work*. *Alien Heart* is the first full-length biography of Margaret that combines personal knowledge and insights about Laurence with a study of her work, which often. Today, almost two decades after her death, Margaret Laurence remains one of Canada's best-known and most beloved writers. Twice winner of. A native of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Lyall H. Powers studied at University of Manitoba, Indiana University, and the Sorbonne, and now teaches English at the. Lyall Powers first met Margaret Laurence at United College in Winnipeg in the autumn of , both of them part of a small student group with shared interests in. But after one has become acquainted with that complex, vulnerable, wise, generous, and conflicted woman/writer, *Alien Heart* is a good source for recapitulation. The best introduction to Margaret Laurence will always be the writings of Margaret Laurence, especially the five *Manawaka* books, the three published volumes. Margaret Laurence remains one of Canada's best-known and most beloved writers. Twice winner of the Governor General's Award for fiction, her novels and .

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Admired and loved by many, Margaret Laurence was crushed by loneliness and despair in the end. In Alien Heart: The Life & Work of Margaret.

Most recently, Powers has turned his attention to his classmate Margaret Laurence. In , he published Alien Heart: The Life & Work of Margaret Laurence.

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