



KHALED HOSSEINI

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Hosseini was born in Afghanistan and grew up in Kabul, where his father worked for the Afghan foreign ministry and his mother was a teacher. The family moved to Paris in 1976, when Hosseini's father was assigned a diplomatic post in the Afghan embassy. Hosseini's father obtained political asylum in the United States, and the family moved to the U.S. in the fall of 1980. Hosseini earned a medical degree in 1993 and entered medical practice as an internist in 1996. His bestselling novels *The Kite Runner* and *A Thousand Splendid Suns* were published by Riverhead Books in 2003 and 2007, respectively. In 2006, Hosseini was named a Goodwill Envoy for the UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, to help raise awareness about refugees around the world. Hosseini now divides his time between writing, working with the UN and his family. He recently founded the Khaled Hosseini Foundation, which provides humanitarian assistance to the people of Afghanistan. Hosseini will donate his speaking fee to the foundation.

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