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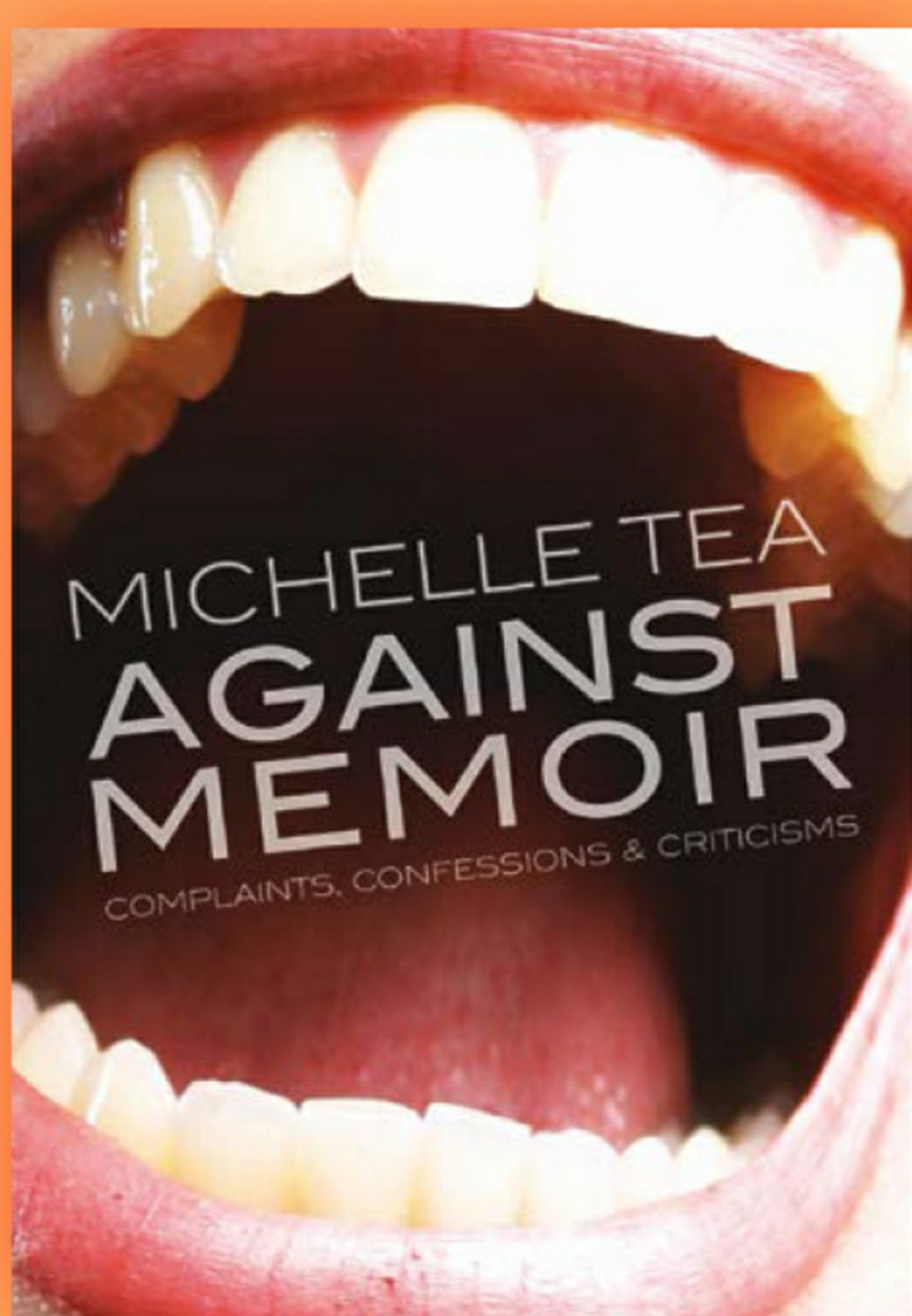
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Dear Reader,

One of our most iconic memoirists, Michelle Tea never shies away from the inherent messiness of life at society's fringes.

*Against Memoir: Complaints, Confessions & Criticisms* sees Tea blurring the line between her own story and those of the figures who inspire her—the queer teenagers, punk rockers, recovering alcoholics, and polarizing outsiders that rarely receive more than gritty cameos in more mainstream media.

By documenting their stories, Tea examines the voyeuristic nature of memoir as a genre and joyously defies those who believe that only certain stories are worth telling.

**"Michelle Tea's essays blow my mind with the algebraic rhythms by which she manages pain and bliss. They take turns erupting in a pulpy and marvelous parade: landscape, passion, morality, family, cigarettes—each cited frankly and exquisitely, like a smart kid with a dirty crayon explaining to us all how she sees god."**—Eileen Myles, *Afterglow (a dog memoir)*

*Against Memoir: Complaints, Confessions & Criticisms*  
By Michelle Tea  
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