



The Candle Man

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Catherine Fisher is an accomplished writer who deserves much greater recognition. If you haven't yet made her acquaintance, begin with this book - it's as eerie a read as you'll find. Returning to his home at the Sea Wall Inn one stormy night, Conor heard an earthly sound which rose to a shrill scream before turning into wild music. The music came from a fiddler who sat, tapping his foot, beside a small fire. From his hiding place, Conor noticed movement in the grass as a slither of water wound its way from the bank, travelling *upwards*, to form wet fingers which clutch at the man's ankles. They're the fingers of Hafren, the spirit of the waters who wants to take back the land which was reclaimed but is hers by right. The fiddler, Meurig, is faced with a terrible dilemma - accede to her wishes thus drowning the countryside, or have her devour his own soul. But with the help of Conor there may be a way out. A wonderfully engrossing book which draws the reader into its terrifying, watery world.

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