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## ***Shufflers* explores the shadows and back alleys of forgotten places**

*Coming September 1, 2021, Frank Haberle uses 48 vignettes to create a novel that reveals another America, one standing next to us yet just out of sight.*

In the tradition of Jack Kerouac, Denis Johnson, and Charles Bukowski, author Frank Haberle's story takes the reader to back alleys, bars, and dead end jobs of the 1980s where opportunities are few and situations are precarious. Sometimes funny but always honest, *Shufflers* is a grand cross-country tour of a world in which no one hopes to travel, a world we try not to see.

The story focuses on Danny, an underemployed transient who drifts from New York City, the East Coast, Alaska, and through the American West. He takes itinerant work where work is available—in places such as factories and canneries, construction sites and fishing boats, a fry shack and on an auction-house floor—trying to avoid becoming just one more “shuffler.” Along the way, he learns about resilience and fortitude from the usually invisible characters who populate the fringes of society.

*Shufflers* is Frank Haberle's first novel. Haberle's short stories have won awards from *Pen Parentis*, *Beautiful Loser Magazine*, and the Sustainable Arts Foundation, and have appeared in more than 30 magazines. Frank is a workshop leader for the NY Writers Coalition. He lives in Brooklyn with his wife and three children.

Early reviews are coming in.

“Frank Haberle is a storyteller's storyteller - down-to-earth, subtle, humble, but confident when it counts. In *Shufflers* he blends experience, craft, wisdom and wit to put forth a collection of tales that will move you emotionally when you read it- and mean even more to you after you read it.” — John McCaffrey, Author of *Book of Ash* and *Two-Syllable Men*

“I love Frank Haberle's stories and will dive into a new one any chance I can get—face first, off a cliff, without looking. I know I will land knee-deep in nostalgic music and memorable events, then swim around in painful regrets surrounded by beautiful imagery I can't shake—and I will just lie there floating happy. Open this collection anywhere and become an instant fan.” — M. M. De Voe, author of *Book & Baby*

*Shufflers* will be available wherever books are sold, and it is available to retailers from Ingram. *Shufflers* is being published by Flexible Press, a Minneapolis publisher dedicated to supporting authors, communities, and mission-driven non-profits through story. A portion of the proceeds from *Shufflers* goes to NY Writers Coalition

[www.nywriterscoalition.org](http://www.nywriterscoalition.org)), a non-profit organization helping traditionally silenced and under-heard New Yorkers to find their voices through the art of creative writing.

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