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RED OLEANDERS : Rabindranath Tagore



New Tran A New translation and Adaptation By Nupur Gangopadhyay Lahiri Rabindranath Tagore, a literary genius, was awarded the Nobel Prize for literature for his collection of poems called *Gitanjali*, (Song Offerings), in 1913.

The popularity of Tagore's own translations of his works that included poems, stories and plays, eventually faded away to the western readers.

The new translation and adaptation of **Red Oleanders** by Nupur Gangopadhyay Lahiri is an attempt to present the play in a freer and comprehensible form, in contemporary language. Today's audience and readers may appreciate Tagore's prediction about the future of mankind in the context of contemporary civilization, from his vantage point, some eighty years ago. (The translated songs are set to the original melodies of Tagore.)

Red Oleanders is the story of a woman, Nandini, who appears to salvage humanity trapped behind mechanized tyranny and eventually frees the oppressed souls, but at a great sacrifice

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