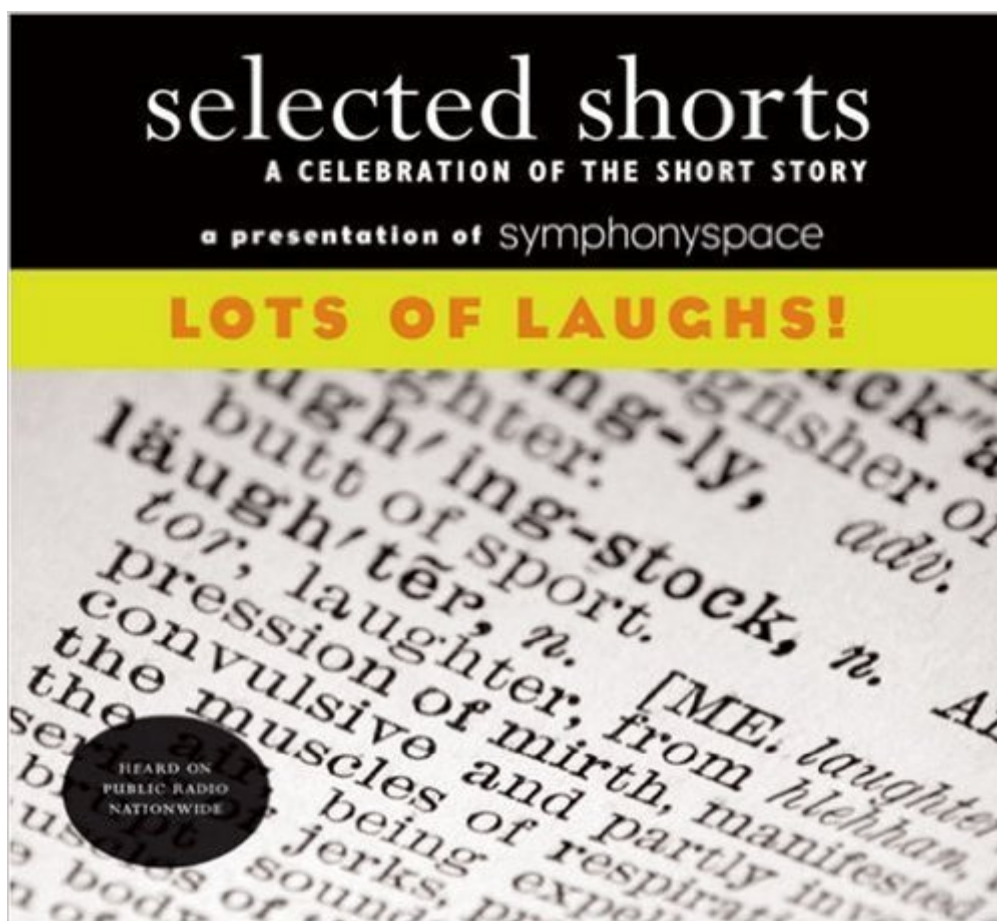


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# Selected Shorts: Lots Of Laughs! (Selected Shorts: A Celebration Of The Short Story) (v. XVIII)



## Synopsis

This three-CD collection features more best-loved selections from National Public Radio's Selected Shorts, an award-winning series of classic and contemporary short fiction read by acclaimed actors and recorded live at Peter Norton Symphony Space in New York City. More than three hours of recordings in each collection capture the intimacy of live performance. Stories are alternately funny, sad, moving, and exciting and make a perfect accompaniment to daily activities such as driving, cooking, exercising, and relaxing. Lots of Laughs! includes, among others, John Updike's "Farrell's Caddy," read by Charles Keating; Neil Gaiman's "Chivalry," read by Christina Pickles; Ron Carlson's "On the USS Fortitude," read by Laura Esterman; Etgar Keret's "Fatso," read by John Guare; and David Schickler's "Jamaica," read by Isaiah Sheffer.

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## Customer Reviews

I have been a devoted Selected Shorts fan for about 12 years and I thought this collection was really first-class. I listened to it at night in the car when I was on the road and enjoyed it thoroughly, especially the stories "Farrell's Caddy" and "Chivalry." The other stories were very good, too. I would heartily recommend this collection to anyone who enjoys a well told tale. John La Boone, St. Marys, Georgia

I liked the stories, they are read to a live audience, which is nice (authentic laughs). Each story is read by a different actor, some better than others. Note that actors transition from loud to soft for

dramatic effect, unlike the usual monotone of a standard reader. I dislike as I travel in a car with variable background noise that makes me turn the volume way up for soft parts and then be blasted by the actors' emphasis of a joke, as this isn't a problem for most people's listening I still give this 5 stars.

There are some stories in this collection that, by themselves, are not great. . . BUT, the total collection is wonderful. Well Done!

This was given as a present and was really appreciated by the recipient! So I'd say it is worth the expenditure indeed!

Enjoyed these short stories while traveling.

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