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Carol Bruneau

Carol Bruneau is the acclaimed author of four novels and three short story collections, including A Bird on Every Tree, shortlisted for the 2018 Thomas Head Raddall Atlantic Fiction Award and the Dartmouth Book Award. Her first novel, Purple for Sky, won the 2001 Thomas Head Raddall Atlantic Fiction Award and the Dartmouth Book Award. Her recently re-released novel, Glass Voices, was a Globe and Mail Best Book for 2007 and has become a book club favourite. Her 2015 novel, These Good Hands, is a fictional treatment of the life of French sculptor Camille Claudel. Her eighth book, the novel A Circle on the Surface, is forthcoming this fall from Nimbus Publishing/Vagrant Press. She is currently at work on a novel about Maud Lewis.

Bruneau's reviews, stories and essays have appeared nation-wide in newspapers, journals and anthologies, and two of her novels have been published internationally. She lives in Halifax, Nova Scotia, where for twelve years she taught Writing for the Arts at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design (NSCAD University). Her family connections with NSCAD run deep. Formerly the Victoria School of Art, it had Arthur Lismer as its principal from 1916 to 1919, when he was succeeded by Elizabeth Styring Nutt, who taught Bruneau's aunt, an early graduate of the school. Bruneau's sister Joan, an internationally-known ceramist, is a NSCAD alumnus.

Former writer in residence at Dalhousie University and Acadia University, Carol Bruneau is a member of The Writers' Union of Canada and a member and past president of the Writers' Federation of Nova Scotia.

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