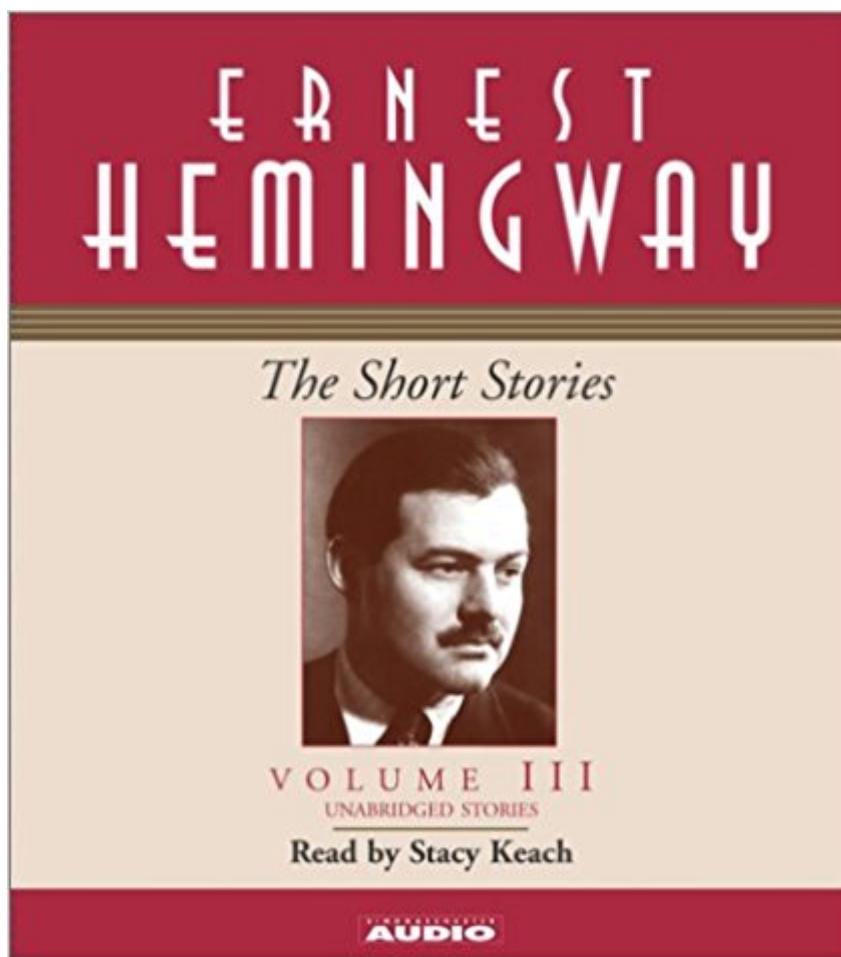


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Nomination for his acclaimed portrayal of Hemingway in the definitive television epic. His films include American History X, Escape from LA, Keep Your Distance, and Birds of Passage. Other television features include Prison Break, and Titus. Mr. Keach read all three volumes of The Short Stories of Ernest Hemingway for Simon & Schuster Audio.

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Can't say enough about it. Does anyone know the artist(s) playing at the beginning of each story, or the style of this music? I'm a fan of this double bass/cello classical, minimalist music, but lack the knowledge in identifying it.

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