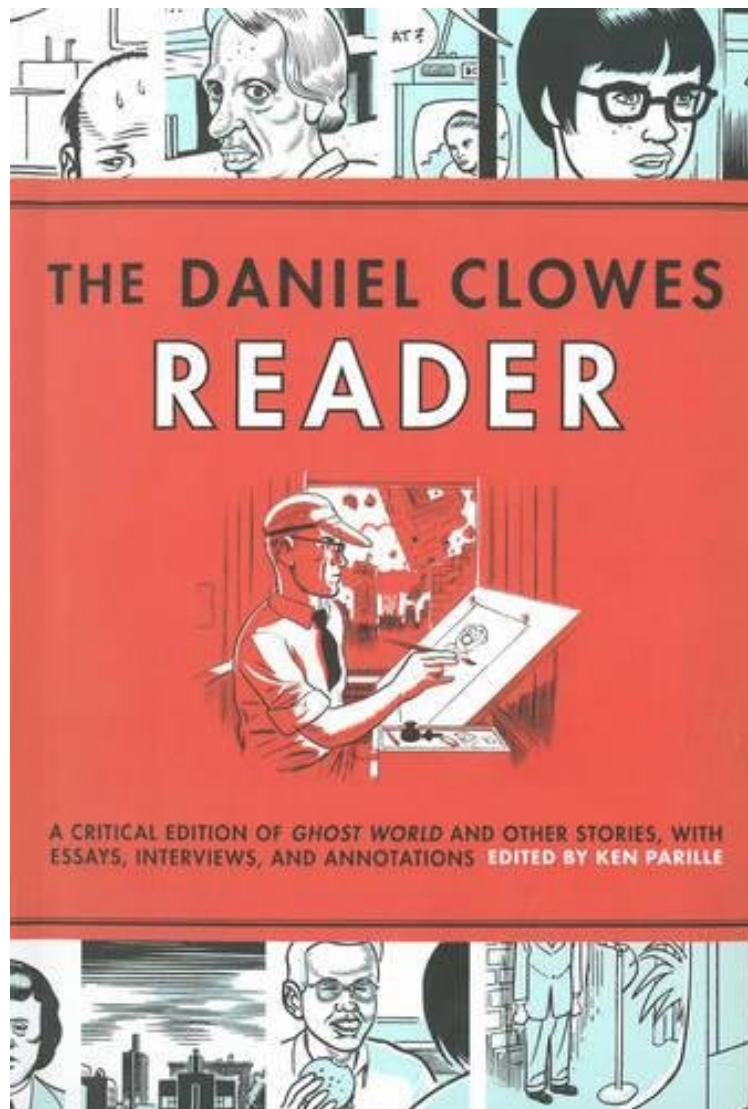


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About the AuthorDaniel Clowes is a celebrated graphic novelist, Academy-Award nominated screenwriter, and frequent cover artist for the *New Yorker*. He lives in Oakland, CA. He is a multi-Harvey, Eisner, and Ignatz Award winner, and his papers were recently acquired by the University of Chicago library.