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"The release of Thomas Pynchon's backlist in the digital format is a publisher's dream," said Penguin Press president Ann Godoff in a statement.

"To be able to present at one time some of the most important fiction of the 20th and 21st centuries is very exciting and a great honor."



Pynchon, 75, has fiercely guarded his privacy and only one or two photographs exist of him. He never gives interviews.

His body of seven novels and a collection of short stories includes "V," "The Crying of Lot 49," "Mason and Dixon," "Gravity's Rainbow," "Slow Learner" and "Vineland." In 1974 he won the Pulitzer Prize.

Godoff told the <u>New York Times</u> that she believed Pynchon had finally agreed to go digital because "I think he wants to have more readers."

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