



FSG TO PUBLISH NEW NOVEL FROM SALLY ROONEY THIS FALL

New York, January 12, 2021—Farrar, Straus and Giroux, a division of Macmillan, will publish *Beautiful World, Where Are You* by the international bestselling author Sally Rooney. Mitzi Angel, Publisher of FSG, acquired exclusive US rights and non-exclusive open market rights from agents Tracy Bohan and Andrew Wylie at The Wylie Agency in a two-book deal. Rooney moves to FSG with this arrangement. *Beautiful World, Where Are You* will be published on September 7, 2021.

Alice, a novelist, meets Felix, who works in a warehouse, and asks him if he'd like to travel to Rome with her. In Dublin, her best friend, Eileen, is getting over a break-up and slips back into flirting with Simon, a man she has known since childhood. Alice, Felix, Eileen, and Simon are still young—but life is catching up with them. They desire each other, they delude each other, they get together, they break apart. They have sex, they worry about sex, they worry about their friendships and the world they live in. Are they standing in the last lighted room before the darkness, bearing witness to something? Will they find a way to believe in a beautiful world?

“Beautiful World, Where Are You is extraordinary for its compassion, humor, and lyrical delight. It’s extraordinary for the vitality of its characters and for the way it pushes so many contemporary buttons with deadeye accuracy and feeling,” Angel says. “Sally Rooney asks questions about things we hold dear: money, love, beauty, truth, success, God, the internet, art, and goodness itself. She shows us how precarious things are and how precious life is. I’m enormously grateful to be working with her again.”

Sally Rooney is the author of the novels *Conversations with Friends* and *Normal People*. She was the winner of the Sunday Times/Peters Fraser + Dunlop Young Writer of the Year Award in 2017. In 2018, *Conversations with Friends* was short-listed for both the Dylan Thomas Prize and the Rathbones Folio Prize, and *Normal People* was the Waterstones Book of the Year, won the Costa Novel Award, and was long-listed for the Booker Prize. Rooney won the Encore Award for *Normal People* in 2019. She was the editor of *The Stinging Fly* in 2018, and a Cullman Center Fellow at the New York Public Library from 2019 to 2020. She was nominated for an Emmy for her work on the Hulu/BBC television adaptation of *Normal People* in 2020.

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