

Zhao Mei



Born in 1954 in Tianjin, Ms. **Zhao Mei** is of Manchu nationality.

Graduated from the Major of Chinese Language and Literature of Nankai University, Ms. Zhao started to publish her works from 1986. So far she has already published 16 novels including *The Women of Our Family*, *Lang Garden*, *Wu Zetian*, *Princess Gao Yang* and *Autumn Dies in Winter*; six collections of novellas and short stories including *The Sun Gorge*, *Years Are Songs*, *My Soul Does not Dance*; 18 collections of essays including *An Open Book*, *From Here to Eternity*, *A Journey of Desire*, *Left Bank Left Bank*, *The Dance in Chains* as well as eight collections of works such as *Collected Works of Zhao Mei*. She has won the 4th and 5th Creation Awards of National Minority Literature, Zhuang Zhongwen Literature Award of CWA (1993), 1st Lu Xun Literature Award of China (1998), and 1st Young Writers Creation Prize of Tianjin (2002). In 1994, at the invitation of the US government, she visited the US to participate in the International Visitors

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As Director-General of the Creation Department of Tianjin Federation of Literature and Art Circles, a Member of the National People's Congress and of National Committee of CWA, Ms. Zhao Mei is also a member of Tianjin Examination and Appraisal Committee of Literature Senior Titles.