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**Cary, North Carolina author Slade Chandler's *The Magus of Nastrand* selected as Best Science Fiction Book of 2006 by NewBookReviews.org**

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*The Magus of Nastrand* - Slade Chandler-ISBN 1-4137-9198-0 Publish America

Synopsis: In Norse Mythology, the War of Ragnarok was the doom of the gods, only that was a trick on man's perception. It was Odin's plan to let mankind live without the influence of gods, a necessity for human development. But after centuries of secrecy, the gods revealed themselves to a homeless man, Hatteris. His task was to rescue the goddess, Sif, from the evil clutches of the Mayor of Nastrand. Nastrand, a town of unsurpassed beauty, also housed the gateway to the Nordic Hel. With questionable sanity, Hatteris journeyed through Hel; saved more than one world, and by the deception of the trickster god, Loki, fathered a demigod named Thor

**NewBookReviews Review:**

*The Magus of Nastrand* is a remarkable tale. Slade Chandler's chronicle of a man's journey from importance, wealth, and love to obscurity, extreme poverty to betrayal leading to his insanity. Chandler's ability to weave a serpentine path between fantasy and insanity, without distinction between the two conditions, is remarkable and draws the reader into this mysterious and captivating story completely. Hatteris, the main character, loses everything, including his sanity, to fast changing worlds, strange friends and allies to dark and powerful enemies, including *The Magus of Nastrand*. The skill shown by Slade Chandler in his writing style and ability is extraordinary. Full of action and suspense, fantasy and truth, loyalty and betrayal *The Magus of Nastrand* is one of the best books I have read all year. A superb story teller! Powerful!

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