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foresaw Trump. Should be reissued and widely advertised. Wilson left gravity on this one and achieved a very high orbit. 4 of 5 people found the following review helpful. A primer to get you ready for the Trump presidency
By Christine Beatty
I have been a fan of Cintra's work ever since she was a regular columnist with the San Francisco Examiner. All of her books have been thoughtful, insightful, poignant and scathingly funny. *Caligula for President* is no exception. Writing like a postmodern, female version of Hunter S. Thompson meets H.L. Mencken, Cintra mercilessly hunts down painful truths and then nails them to a literary cross to hold up to scorn. Her indictment of the corporatization of American politics and the growing trend to the right, veering towards fascism, is a blueprint for what we do not want in a leader. Now that Donald Trump appears to have clinched the nomination, this book is more relevant than ever.
1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Cintra is simply brilliant
By Patrick Flynn
Her wit, sharp tongue and perspective translate so well in print. A fantastic book, cover to cover. I would definitely recommend it as well as Cintra's other books. She's great!

In this inventive and biting satire, acclaimed novelist and cultural critic Cintra Wilson reimagines America's Manifest Destiny as helmed by Caligula, the only leader in world history capable of turning our floundering democracy into a fully functioning—and totally fun—tyranny, both here and abroad. With Caligula running the show, America will finally be able to achieve what the founding fathers really wanted, but never had the nerve to admit. Like, how to: -Achieve the guilt-free looting of natural resources for the sake of immediate gratification; -Declare war on abstract concepts (drugs, terror, the ocean) for the sake of imperial expansion; -Utilize propaganda, psychological operations, and other prisoner-of-war techniques to create a sense of learned helplessness in the citizenry, gain their utterly terrified trust and obedience—and leave them begging for more; -Rape, pillage, and loot—both here and abroad—with impunity
Wilson also traces the historical arc of Caligula's life and not-so-hard times, from his privileged childhood in Syria to his ascent to power to his eventual takedown by the hands of an angry populace, to point out the unsettling parallels between his own extravagant reign and a certain administration, which helped usher in a new golden age of unlimited executive power. Part political parable, part cautionary tale, *Caligula for President* is an ingenious and hilarious send-up of the current state of our Union by one of this generation's sharpest satirists.

“Cast back to the fall of Rome: a political dynasty pillages the economy, enslaves the common folks, and plays "war" with real soldiers. Don't times like these, Cintra Wilson hilariously asks, demand a leader like Caligula for President?”
?Vanity Fair
“Cintra Wilson [is] the thinking woman's David Foster Wallace.” ?New York Times Book “The Dorothy Parker of the Cyber Age.” ?San Francisco Chronicle
“Wilson cranks out the zingers.” ?People
“Hilarious.” ?Harper's Bazaar
“A blazing satirist.” ?Booklist
About the Author
Cintra Wilson is the author of the acclaimed novel *Colors Insulting to Nature*. She is also a pop culture pundit whose column for Salon.com and collection of essays, *A Massive Swelling: Celebrity Re-Examined as a Grotesque Crippling Disease*, have garnered her a cult following. An award-winning playwright and screenwriter, she has seen her work produced by Tim Robbins's Actor's Gang theater company in Los Angeles, *Naked Angels* in New York, and MTV, where her creation *Winter Steele* was a long-running segment of *Liquid Television*. She lives in New York City.