



Short Bio

Brian Finney is a prize-winning writer and professor emeritus in English literature. Born in London, he obtained a BA (hons) in English and Philosophy at Reading University and a PhD on D. H. Lawrence's shorter fiction at University of London, where he taught literature and arranged extra-mural courses in the arts from 1964 to 1987. After immigrating to Southern California he taught at UC Riverside, UCLA, the University of Southern California and California State University Long Beach.

He has published eight books. His second book, *Christopher Isherwood: A Critical Biography*, was awarded the James Tait Black Memorial Prize for non-fiction that year. It was also voted one of the best three books of the year by Philip Toynbee in the Observer. He went on to publish, among others, *The Inner I*, a pioneering study of British literary autobiography, and a widely cited book about British fiction in the eighties and nineties, *English Fiction Since 1984*. In 2011 he published on Amazon *Terrorized: How the War on Terror Affected American Culture and Society*. He has also edited three editions of D. H. Lawrence's work, and published a range of essays and reviews in various journals and newspapers.

In 2019 he is publishing his first novel, *Money Matters*, in which an inexperienced young woman is persuaded to search for a woman who has disappeared and comes up against the powerful forces of big money, politics and a drug cartel. By the end of her search she has become a different person.

Brian Finney is married and lives in Venice, California.