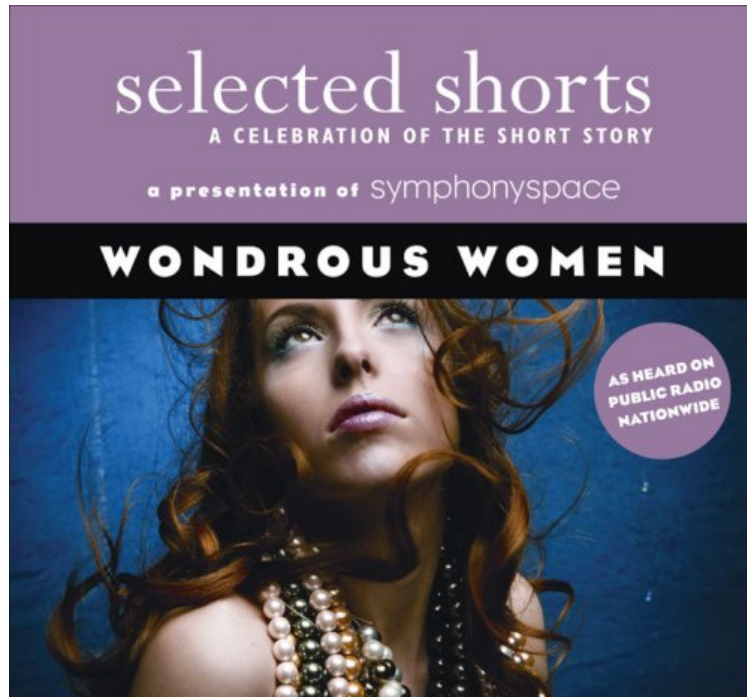


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touch of magical realism. In Allan Gurganis's *It Had Wings*, a frail widow takes full advantage of an angel who falls into her yard. Marian Seldes performs the woman's narrative slowly and carefully as surely such a woman would address us. In contrast, Kathleen Chalfant takes us slowly but sensuously through a humble bank clerk's lust for *The Red Fox Coat* she covets until she becomes one with it. This touching and hilarious collection of well-crafted tales is beautifully rendered by its performers. (Jan.) Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. The Listen Up Awards: The Best Audios of 2008, Publishers Weekly