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Una rosa per  
A Rose for *Joyce*



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## Three quarks for Muster Mark...

(from *Finnegans Wake* by James Joyce, 1939)

Quarks are the building blocks of protons and neutrons. The word was first used to describe the main particles of matter by Murray Gell-Mann, a Nobel Laureate in Physics. "Quarks" appeared in print in the physics literature in 1964, the same year that ICTP was founded in Trieste. And it was in Trieste that Joyce gathered the inspiration for his *Finnegans Wake*. It may be a coincidence, but this book marks three important anniversaries: it has been 100 years since James Joyce arrived in Trieste, 50 years since Trieste returned to Italy and 40 years since ICTP has been in existence. This year, Joyce and ICTP were united by the eighth Joyce Summer School held in part at ICTP.

The young Irishman who arrived in Trieste a century ago became a great author; the young Pakistani who arrived here forty years ago became a world-famous scientist by founding ICTP and by winning the Nobel Prize in Physics. Who knows: some among today's visitors to Trieste, from similarly unusual places, might soon become equally famous.

It is a great pleasure to offer you a copy of this book on James Joyce and Trieste on the occasion of your visit to ICTP.

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