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WANDERING STARS: An Anthology of Jewish Fantasy and Science Fiction. Edited by Jack Dann. Harper and Row. 240 pp. \$6.95.

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Jack Dann's *Wandering Stars* is a stellar achievement. The thirteen stories that make up this marvelous collection – and even the warm and sprightly introduction by the inimitable Isaac Asimov – are imbued with a sort of magic, a sense of wonder that is a by-product of the very best science fiction.

Isaac Bashevis Singer and Bernard Malamud are represented in the anthology by *Jachid* and *Jechidah* and *The Jewbird*, respectively, two short stories. But the real surprise comes from the hard-core science fiction contingent. Few of these authors have ever tackled Jewish themes before, and the zest and imagination they bring to their task is, for this reviewer, deeply moving. You will find here Jews battling against galactic odds to maintain their identity, pogroms springing up throughout the universe, the generation gap manifesting itself on distant planets, a mechanical city turning into a Jewish mother.

Jack Dann, whose brainchild *Wandering Stars* is, has assembled a collection aglow with love, laughter, pathos and *heimishkeit* which should be a source of real delight to a wide spectrum of readers.

— ISIDORE HAIBLUM