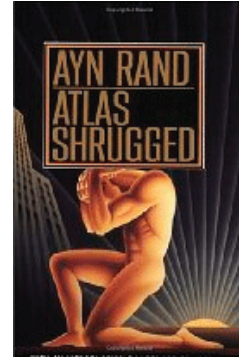
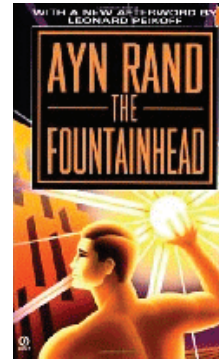
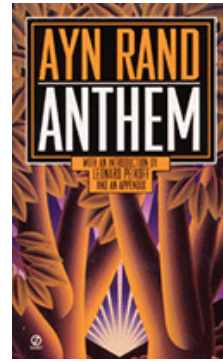


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series

concept statement

"I would give the greatest sunset in the world for one sight of New York's skyline. Particularly when one can't see the details. Just the shapes. The shapes and the thought that made them. The sky over New York and the will of man made visible. What other religion do we need? And then people tell me about pilgrimages to some dank pesthole in a jungle where they go to do homage to a crumbling temple, to a leering stone monster with a pot belly, created by some leprous savage. Is it beauty and genius they want to see? Do they seek a sense of the sublime? Let them come to New York, stand on the shore of the Hudson, look and kneel. When I see the city from my window - no, I don't feel how small I am - but I feel that if a war came to threaten this, I would throw myself into space, over the city, and protect these buildings with my body."

associated word list

- logical
- rational
- smart
- structured
- coherent
- character
- strong
- confident
- independent
- unyielding
- free
- individualism
- identity
- dedication
- commitment
- unwavering
- unshakeable
- heroic
- accomplishment
- skill
- creative
- problem-solving
- organized
- talent
- purpose
- calculated
- bold
- uncompromising
- pure
- passionate
- original
- stoic
- unadorned
- inspiring
- noble
- moralistic
- values
- objective
- self-esteem
- unblemished
- bright
- hopeful
- progression
- triumphant
- ideal
- romanticized
- larger-than-life
- promise
- loyalty
- beliefs

Ayn Rand wrote and lectured on her philosophy—Objectivism, which she characterized as “a philosophy for living on earth.”

tone of the series

serious	—x	humorous
informative	—x	entertaining
fiction	—x	non-fiction
organic	—x	high-tech
minimal	—x	ornamental
retro	—x	contemporary
vintage	—x	futuristic
nostalgic	—x	contemporary
unrefined	—x	lean/sophisticated
machined	—x	handmade
traditional	—x	non-traditional
complex	—x	easy

to suggest...

- to suggest that man is a heroic being
- to suggest that old solutions are irrelevant and outdated
- to suggest that we shouldn't compromise
- to suggest that we control our own destiny
- to suggest that there is good and evil
- to suggest that we have free will
- to suggest that our art reflects our philosophy
- to suggest that reason leads to achievement

heroic: admired for his/her achievements or qualities

ideal: a standard of excellence; one regarded as a model worthy of imitation; of or relating to an ideal or perfection

unblemished: free from flaws and blemishes; free from evil and corruption; in excellent condition

passionate: showing or expressing strong emotion

romanticized: considered or rendered as ideal; interpreted romantically

rational: consistent with or based on reason; logical

character: moral or ethical strength; a description of a person's attributes, traits or abilities

confident: marked by assurance, as of success; marked by confidence in oneself; self-assured

stoic: seemingly indifferent to or unaffected by pleasure or pain; impassive

triumphant: exulting in success or victory; victorious, conquering