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His book, *The Brain That Changes Itself*, on neuroplasticity, has been described by neurologist Oliver Sacks as “Fascinating...a remarkable and hopeful portrait of the endless adaptability of the human brain.” The London *Times* has written, “Brilliant...Doidge has identified a tidal shift in basic science...the implications are monumental.” *The New York Times* has written that *The Brain That Changes Itself*, has “implications...not only for individual patients with neurologic disease but for all human beings, not to mention human culture, human learning and human history.”

An international and New York Times Bestseller, #1 in Canada and Australia, it is available in over 100 countries, has sold almost a million copies, been made into two documentary films, and received scholarly and academic awards, including the U.S. National Alliance on Mental Illness 2008 Ken Book Award, “for an outstanding literary contribution toward a better understanding of mental illness.” *The Brain That Changes Itself* has recently been chosen by the Dana Brain Foundation USA journal, Cerebrum, from among the 30,000 books ever written on the brain, as #1 best general book on the brain.

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