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A near-starving artist finds himself inspired by a group of long-dead classic painters and a quirky Irish poet in a rundown loft in SoHo, New York.

Struggling artist Luca Wolfe lives in a decrepit warehouse loft in SoHo, New York. Barely eking out a living from sales of his work, one night he begins to paint but gets too drunk to continue. When he awakens, he finds his painting complete but it is unlike the creation he began the night before. Frequent visits from the ghost of Seamus O'Leary - a quirky Irish poet from the far distant past - convinces Luca he is on the verge of losing his mind. However, a budding romance with another troubled resident of the building - criminal psychiatrist Izzy Richards - gives Luca the inspiration to delve deeper into his spurt of remarkable creativity like never before.

"The Crypt Artist"

By Deborah O'Toole

Assembly of ghost characters in storyline:



From left to right: Jeanne Hébuterne and Malachy O'Leary.



From left to right: John Quidor, Philip Hugh Padwick and Howard Russell Butler.

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