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Nepal: Bishwa Basnet, 2011

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The Memory Of Leaves / Manan Karki

Kathmandu: Llaireggub Press, 2011

First published in 2009 by Pillar Press, Thomastown, Co Kilkenny, Ireland

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Set in Nepal, The Memory Of Leaves, Manan Karki's first novel, is an exploration of the mythology of autobiography. The book is constructed around three first hand accounts of similar events, events shaped more by the fiction of language and ego than the actuality of fact.

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Kathmandu: Vidyarthi Pustak Bhandar, 2011

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Singapore: Ethos Books, 2011

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Malaysia: Gerakbudaya Enterprise, 2011
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