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Kate Wilhelm explores concepts ranging from truth to immortality in this novella. A young woman is duped into quitting her university teaching position, and finds that she is entwined in a cloak-and-dagger investigation with implications she can hardly fathom. Action packed science fiction from master story teller Kate Wilhelm.

The Winter Beach Details

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From Reader Review The Winter Beach for online ebook

Christine says

This book has been made into a great German SciFi TV movie filmed in Maine. I was hoping to find an old hardcover copy.

Does anybody know the title of the sequel?

Thannasset says

This novella can be found as part of 'Welcome, Chaos' if nowhere else. Worth searching out the unbound printing!

Jack says

This novella is one of my all-time favorite science fiction works. It's the first part of the less-good novel "Welcome, Chaos", but stands alone. It's not an action thriller, even though there are spies and a rugged coastline. It's not really a romance, even though the female protagonist is enmeshed in the lives of two rather dashing men. The science is only sketched in*. Historian Lyle Taney is enticed/manipulated to leave her teaching job and work on a second book after the surprise success of her first. The shadowy people doing the enticing use various lies to manipulate her at various points. Lyle becomes more and more suspicious of the manipulator, and less and less interested in betraying her two new friends. The darned thing just works, even though it probably shouldn't.

*In a short work, sketchy science is the best kind. I suspect, if there was more detail, that one would walk away, WSOD destroyed. That's one (minor) problem with "Welcome, Chaos".
