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Badiou, Alain is a French philosopher and playwright. He is a professor emeritus and former chair of the Department of Philosophy of the *École Normale Supérieure* in Paris and one of the founding members of the Faculty of Philosophy of the *Université Paris VIII*. His major works include the three volumes *Being and Event*, *Logics of Worlds*, and the recently published *The Immanence of Truths*. His philosophical oeuvre connects continental and analytical philosophical traditions along with his reflections on set theory and contemporary mathematics.

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