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LIFE
BE WITHOUT
A LITTLE
POETRY?

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This Book is dedicated to

Humanity, Peace & Poetry

the Power of the Pen
can effectuate change!

&

The Poetry Posse
past, present & future
our Patrons and Readers
the Spirit of our Everlasting Muse



*In the darkness of my life
I heard the music
I danced . . .
and the Light appeared
and I dance*

Janet P. Caldwell

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Foreword

Midlife of the year, midlife crises, life can't be
measured.

Has life truly found a new leaf?

I wonder when the leaves turn,
will mask, or not to mask, be the question.

Mid-summer maybe just a start.

Tensions tend to rise during warmer times.

The art of war never seems to run out of ideas.

War as a medium, now that's different.

Goncalao Mabunda had that vision.

Imaginings of what one could do,
with monies spent on death, spent on life.

College educated men who can't define
infrastructure.

Will destroy the enemy's infrastructure.

we as artist truly must do better to explain the
madness.

From sculptor to script, to pigments only found in
nature.

We must persist by any means available.

Sticks and stones to guns and drones.
is war relative to sales?
does peace truly effect the bottom line?
Some of us are just trying to keep others from
dying.

We blend of poets,
much like the ekphrasis derived from war.
We share our thoughts in this balance of
The Year of the Poet.

Joe 'DaVerbal Mindancer' Paire
Poet, Activist

Preface

Dear Family and Friends,

So, here we are, now over ½ way through our eighth year of monthly publication of *The Year of the Poet*. Amazing how much effort has been given by all the poets, to include the various members of *The Poetry Posse* and all the wonderful featured poets from all over our world. For myself, it has been and continues to be a great honor to be a part of this wonderful cooperative effort.

Last year, 2020 has been challenging for many of us throughout the year. We at *Inner Child Press International* were busy. We envisioned our role where the arts meet humanity to continue doing what we were good at . . . publishing. We managed to not only produce and publish this series, *The Year of the Poet* each month, but we were also very proactive in the arena of human and social consciousness. We were able to produce several other anthologies to include: World Healing, World Peace 2020; CORONA . . . social distancing; The Heart of a Poet; W.A.R. . . we are revolution; Poetry, the Best of 2020. Going forward, we are seeking to invest in the same or greater effort towards contributing to a ‘conscious humanity’. We, poets and writers do have something to say about it all, and we intend to do so in any and every way we can. So stay tuned . . .

Bill

William S. Peters, Sr.

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PS

Do Not forget about the World Healing, World
Peace Poetry initiative for 2022. Mark your
calendars. Submissions will be opening . . .
September 1st 2021

Past volumes are available here

www.worldhealingworldpeacepoetry.com

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Goncalao Mabunda

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A sculptor in Mozambique, Goncalao Mabunda transforms weapons into sculptures based on traditional thrones, masks, and other motifs to combat violence and instability. Mabunda tells us: Do not destroy but transform. Do not erase but use weapons to redesign a new world of peace, so as to forget the atrocities of war.

<https://openbuffalo.org/files/documents/Social-Justice-and-the-Arts.pdf>

“Ex Africa semper aliquid novi”, which, translated from Latin, means: “There is always something new out of Africa.” ~Pliny the Elder





Art from weapons by Goncalao Mabunda

www.flickr.com/photos/han350d/38128044836



*Poets . . .
sowing seeds in the
Conscious Garden of Life,
that those who have yet to come
may enjoy the Flowers.*



Poets, Writers . . . know that we are the enchanting magicians that nourishes the seeds of dreams and thoughts . . . it is our words that entice the hearts and minds of others to believe there is something grand about the possibilities that life has to offer and our words tease it forth into action . . . for you are the Poet, the Writer to whom the Gift of Words has been entrusted . . .

~ wsp





Poetry succeeds where instruction fails.

~ wsp

Gail
Weston
Shazor

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This is a creative promise ~ my pen will speak to and for the world. Enamored with letters and respectful of their power, I have been writing for most of my life. A mother, daughter, sister and grandmother I give what I have been given, greatfilledly.

Author of . . .

"An Overstanding of an Imperfect Love"
&
Notes from the Blue Roof

Lies My Grandfathers Told Me

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Thrones

I

Upon

Very new

Thrones of non grace

Am prickled and stung

By the weapons of war

At my feet and at my back

But I shall build a new kingdom

And the forges of humanity

Will keep at bay the darker side of men

Bones

The songsmith says
The knee is connected to the leg
Bone
Straight and long
Center and core of strength
Bone
Dense yet porous
Carrying the weight of life
Bones
Easily broken by sticks and stones
Words can bend them
Bones
Little ones, big ones
Curved and hollow
Bones
Lots of them
Piled high in the shallow earth
Bones
Uncovered and unclothed
Unskinned and unmuscled
Bones
Unraced and unethniced
Untall and unshort
Bones
Ashes to ashes
Dust to dust
Bones
When I am no longer connected
Who will tend my
Bones?

Hydration

Water hydrants shoot skyward
And we run headfirst into the spray
Screaming and shouting
So the neighbors can hear
None of us own bathing suits
So we pull the legs of our shorts
As high as we can
For this brief cleansing
Young mothers carry babies into
Our own river Jordan

And it is not for the babies
But for themselves
So that they can remember the feel
Of before responsibility
Far too young for such a burden
And yet here they are
On the same street they grew up on
Breasts barely full
Waiting on angel to touch them
Seal their lips with salvation

Nothing this good ever lasts
And we can hear the sirens of
The water and power trucks coming
So we all dance harder
And twirl faster
So not one inch of us is dry
Mothers begin to come out
To gather their own
Back onto hard, dry, hot stoops
Carrying whatever raggedy toweling
They can muster up on such short notice

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It's Saturday

And the fire hydrant has been breached

So now we must return to walk ups

And hope the fan is on in the windows

One by one we are cleaned

Greased and in pajamas

We are sat between knees with

Combs and hair grease

Tomorrow we will hear about

Crossing the river

But for today we already been in Jordan.

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Alicja
Maria
Kuberska

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Alicja Maria Kuberska – awarded Polish poetess, novelist, journalist, editor.

She is a member of the Polish Writers Associations in Warsaw, Poland and IWA Bogdani, Albania. She is also a member of directors' board of Soflay Literature Foundation, Our Poetry Archive (India) and Cultural Ambassador for Poland (Inner Child Press, USA)

Her poems have been published in numerous anthologies and magazines in : Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Ukraine, Belgium, Bulgaria, Albania, Spain, the UK, Italy, the USA, Canada, the UK, Argentina, Chile, Peru, Israel, Turkey, India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Taiwan, China, Australia, South Africa, Zambia, Nigeria

She received two medals - the Nosside UNESCO Competition in Italy (2015) and European Academy of Science Arts and Letters in France (2017). Ahe also received a reward of international literary competition in Italy „ Tra le parole e ‘elfinito” (2018). She was announced a poet of the 2017 year by Soflay Literature Foundation (2018).She also received : Bolesław Prus Prize Poland (2019), Culture Animator Poland (2019) and first prize Premio Internazionale di Poesia Poseidonia- Paestrum Italy (2019).

Wish

Let's turn swords into plows.
Iron can hurt the ground
or bring hope for a good harvest.

Let's convert the time of war,
full of hate and destruction,
to ages of abundance and happiness

Let there be only a gun
as a museum exhibit
in our new world of peace .

Good lies

Good lies smile despite the sadness in their eyes
They bring words of encouragement and consolation
to the sick and the doubters.

They create a world of rainbow mirages
about a beautiful and distant future

The truth will always come
- it is waiting patiently outside the door

Then good lies splash like a fragile soap bubble
They are remembered as an illusory hope

This moment

At a time like this,
you can shut up in the middle of a soap bubble
and soar high to a place
in which the wind writes
white hieroglyphs on the blue of the sky
and arranges images from clouds.
There, silence plays like music
and the power of the cosmos can be felt

And then you have to see
a rainbow in a drop of water
and fall with the rain on a tree branch,
rustle with a chorus of leaves
and rest on a soft spider web.

In this moment, the joy of life is hidden
- the greatest mystery of the universe

all bird crossed
the calm surface of the lake.
The water rippled and wrinkled .

The charm of this moment
was reflected in the mirror of water.
The blue and white feathers
appeared in the green

This minute enchanted in postage stamps
still goes on and reminds of that time
as Mother Nature smiled
and sent colorful letters around the world

Jackie
Davis
Allen

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Jackie Davis Allen, otherwise known as Jacqueline D. Allen

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or Jackie Allen, grew up in the Cumberland Mountains of Appalachia. As the next eldest daughter of a coal miner father and a stay at home mother, she was the first in her family to attend and graduate from college. Her siblings, in their own right, are accomplished, though she is the only one, to date, that has discovered the gift of writing.

Graduating from Radford University, with a Bachelors of Science degree in Early Education, she taught in both public and private schools. For over a decade she taught private art classes to children both in her home and at a local Art and Framing Shop where she also sold her original soft sculptured Victorian dolls and original christening gowns.

She resides in northern Virginia with her husband, taking much needed get-aways to their mountain home near the Blue Ridge Mountains, a place that evokes memories of days spent growing up in the Appalachian Mountains.

A lover of hats, she has worn many. Following marriage to her college sweetheart, and as wife, mother, grandmother, teacher, tutor, artist, writer, poet and crafter, she is a lover of art and antiques, surrounding herself, always, with books, seeking to learn more.

In 2015 she authored *Looking for Rainbows, Poetry, Prose and Art*, and in 2017, *Dark Side of the Moon*. Both books of mostly narrative poetry were published by Inner Child Press and were edited by hulya n. yilmaz.

in 2019, *No Illusions. Through the Looking Glass*, which was nominated to be considered for a Pulitzer Prize by the publisher and editor of InnerChild Press, ltd.

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None-Offensive Response

Struggling

Within, and
Without.

Seeking, finding ways

To respond
To chaos.

Choosing

To create, to discover
Opportunities.

Responsibly

Confronting, lovingly
Without violence.

Transforming

Improving attitudes,
Lives, the world.

Easier Said than Done

When she sat down, she took pen to pad,
Yet had little idea
What would transpire.

Even still, she searched her imagination,
Searched for the inherent key
That releases the poetic gift
Coming from voices begging relief.

She wrote, erased, deleted. Wrote.
Discovered that, potential blossoms
From fertile seeds sown.

With attention, care, today
She diligently tends her garden,
The fruits of which produce
Poetry, prose, and song.

Appreciation's indulgent smile
Continues to provide, generously
Answers to prayers.

For that which she'd dreamed, desired,
Today she takes pride that from effort
And doing due diligence, inspiration
Might also arrive to motivate others.

The Body Politic

When, in the course
of a nation's declaration, a team
would have you believe that their way
is the only way, one paved with self-serving songs.
And, to them only all glory and honor belong:

Do not let them lead you or your principles astray.
They are but a band of feckless fomenters.

In the swirling aftermath
of a competitor's ascension, some
by their weeping and red eyes would flush
common sense into the muck of muddled waters
so as to poison the minds of their cultish recruits.

Do not let them anywhere near your soul.
They are experienced and determined agitators.

Disregarding the people's stated choice,
when the trophy of success is finally awarded,
the nose of thumbsuckers would have you
tearing down, burning bridges anciently old
Or newly built, so resist their spurious,
fatuous, invitations.

They are but an undisguised clique of misfits,
A mis-mash of malcontents.

Upon the disbursement, the distribution
of safe rooms and not a few pacifiers,
the cult stands at attention or kneels
in the party's disgraced but loyal receiving line.
Turn your head if you will. as their scent permeates.

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Tickets are not needed to applaud their demise:
The nakedly ambitious faction of activists.

Soon, with the new day and its coming age,
a people shall unwind the communistic ball of propaganda,
a wall of approval shall then rise up.
So, ignore the theatrics of the misanthrope's
sour disrespect and despair.

Pray, instead, that peace shall reign over our land;
Pray, too, relief from the carping-clan of hot-heads.

Assault not your nation or its good name
with tongues flaming rhetoric's shame and greed.
Belittle nor dishonor its flag or song. Celebrate
Instead the expiration of hate, the gadfly's eventual
departure. Even still, we must hold him accountable.

Beware the various branches of activist agents.
Beware the media's provocateurs of revenge..

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Tzemin
Ition
Tsai

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Dr. Tzemin Ition Tsai (蔡澤民博士) was born in Republic of China, in 1957. He holds a Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering

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and two Masters of Science in Applied Mathematics and Chemical Engineering. He is a professor at Asia University (Taiwan), editor of “Reading, Writing and Teaching” academic text. He also writes the long-term columns for Chinese Language Monthly in Taiwan.

He is a scholar with a wide range of expertise, while maintaining a common and positive interest in science, engineering and literature member. He is also an editor of “Reading, Writing and Teaching” academic text and a columnist for ‘*Chinese Language Monthly*’ in Taiwan

He has won many national literary awards. His literary works have been anthologized and published in books, journals, and newspapers in more than 40 countries and have been translated into more than a dozen languages.

A Throne Song

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The Bamboo trees follows the sun, diagonal shadows with
the winds

The teacups drank to each other, but the moon woke up
while drunk

On the candlestick, randomly fetch a volume of the desk
book

A new picture of the iron bridge circling by the river
in front of me

Bunch of chains of irons across the ages

Good rare ah? this screen is so silent and picturesque

They didn't agree that the sea in the angry waves was a
form of brutality

People today are easy to follow the crowd

The bells in the morning and the drums in the evening that
tell the time, the fine iron bars shuttle in the gaps

The red cast iron looks like a mountain with emerald green
from a distance

Twists and turns along the edge

Yesterday, failed to board the bridge to look far

Today, try to see everything this seat can

I am meditating in the meantime

The tips of clouds are so high and the bird's back feathers
are beyond reach

Even surpassing the dancing of thoughts in a high place

Real man does not fear nothing achievements

Don't be entangled with the thin iron bars in the gap

Let the ambition appear so arrogant

Look at the throne that has been built

Since ancient times, heroes rarely have of high principle

Support me so not to be trapped by the drooping iron fibers

Which depressed like a wave and flew out swiftly like a
mountain stream

When The North Swallows Have Flown South

This couldn't keep far from the hustle and bustle castle
With the warmth of spring
Group after group of sprouting willows
Hidden in the empty garden hidden under the clouds
Pairs of petrels
Holding their wings and flying over the window outside the
curtain
A pair of fair ladies accompanied each other around the
forest path
The cherry's blooming flowers provoked them to break the
branches and dyed to red their hair buns

Last night it rained slightly till dawn
Along the west bank of the lake
New blooms were all over the old bushes
Traffic and crowds triggered breezes full of sleeves
In that forest
I leaf at will to pick a pairs of branches
Send a message to the person in the dream
Hope when the hibiscus bloom next time
Still leave a green shadow for me

Peppermints and golden lotus fell red half full of river
Allowed light rain to wash my little courtyard
Leaning on the railing to ask the bright moon high up
speechlessly
Empty beams, told me when will swallows flied away to
return?
The dream of remembrance has always been difficult to
come true

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The faint light by the window behind me was bright and
dark
Was it possible
Had the remaining flying shadows of swallows hinted that
spring is coming to an end?

The Moonset Accompanied By The Sky Full Of Stars

The glow of the sea by the sea red over the emerald green
of the smoke in the mountains
Moonlight reflects the Yangtze River covering the autumn
water

Cold galaxy

Try to defend itself

About the remnant snow on shallow sand with white waves

The master laughed mockingly

Sword up in the sky

The east wind is still blowing freely to the end of the world

A few clumps of reeds

Several reflections of the flat boat

The frost fell heavily towards the orange grove let the red
became more red

Peach Mountain

The road spirals and connects

I don't know where the flute sounds

The fisherman's song sounded deep

The dust and fog conceal the morning noise

The tower on the peak looks at the world with squinting
eyes

Previous years

Climb alone to the highest level at the top of the lonely
cloud

Aloof difficult to tame

Those stars are clearly standing beside me

I can only sigh helplessly, it is hard to fly without wings

Never tell me that

The real world in my hometown belongs only to gods

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Sharzeef
Abdur
Rashheed

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Shareef Abdur-Rasheed, AKA Zakir Flo was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York. His education includes Brooklyn College, Suffolk County Community College and Makkah, Saudi Arabia. He is a Veteran of the Viet Nam era, where in 1969 he reverted to his now reverently embraced Islamic Faith. He is very active in the Islamic community and beyond with his teachings, activism and his humanity.

Shareef's spiritual expression comes through the persona of "Zakir Flo" . Zakir is Arabic for "To remind". Never silent, Shareef Abdur-Rasheed is always dropping science, love, consciousness and signs of the time in rhyme.

Shareef is the Patriarch of the Abdur-Rasheed Family with 9 Children (6 Sons and 3 Daughters) and 41 Grandchildren (24 Boys and 17 Girls).

For more information about Shareef, visit his personal FaceBook Page at :

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Swords into Ploughshares

Goncalo Mabunda did
Mabunda did
his land on fire
Mozambique blazing in
civil war
this artist found a way
to express his love of
peace
out of the ashes he
transformed dismay
to hope of better days
through
swords into ploughshares
spears into pruning hooks
his art a voice of peace
a force of rebirth
this an example of the power
of art and a creator of loving
heart
that is Goncalo Mabunda
artist of life enhancing creativity

degree

to guide, admonish thee
from the wahi
revealed
obligations imposed
status of mother, father
more solid than gold
first mother in Allah(swt)
favor
then father, amir
by Allah(swt) degree
directs family to walk
on path of righteousness
leads by example
loving, caring, ample
manifestation of obligation
to be there to care, kindness,
dedication made clear through
consistency, stability, dependability
in nurturing family so it's solid, healthy
instilling quality, fulfilling sacred duty
to teach, reach out, embrace, maintain
from that what Al-Rizaaq ordained
sustained commitment laced with love,
kindness, patience, all embodied in
the degree to commission men
to lead with taqwa their families loaned
to test sincere devotion owed to thee
bestower of all that life consist
so that mercy will not cease to shower
down and blessings abound to achieve
the best in this life and the next for
those who believe.

Double down...

put haq (truth) on top, make the batal (falsehood) stop
tell the people the glad tidings, give it up!
remember guidance comes only from Allah(swt)^
that can make batal stop, put haq on top
all we can do is all you can but the bottom line is Allah's
plan
only he can guide humans, be it women, man
those who got give it up while there's time before
your heart stops
give it here, there everywhere get it on with the god fear
take the instructions clear, then give, give
defeat the fear of not having enough here
Allah's Rizaq bestower of the portions
tawakeel, tawakeel, trust in him
be his slave and the chains that make you cling
to the earth will break away
Nur (light) from jannah will fill your grave

everything you give will reappear but multiplied,
here and in the grave and beyond when we die
look at Allah(swt) supply, he gives, gives, gives and the
supply
never dies or shrink
will your supply go dry when you give from the bounties
Allah(swt)?
bestowed, what you think?
Answer: No, no, never in fact it will Grow, Grow, Grow
forever
you got to give to get it, see? The only thing you can take
to
your grave is your deeds.
give it up, plant the seeds for the time that draws near when
you

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really will be in need, Taqwa* my dear, get down with the
god fear
you believe in Jannah tul Niam?*** only Allah's mercy will
put you there
but one thing for sure other than your deeds you can't take
it with ya
and you sure as hell can't stay here
we got to die my dear, we got to die!
but die on eman la e laha ill lil lah
you passed the test your life here and the next a success

^(swt) = All glory to Allah

*Taqwa = Fear of Allah(swt), hear & obey

**Jannah Tul Niam = Garden of Bliss

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Kimberly
Burnham

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A brain health expert with a PhD in Integrative Medicine, Kimberly Burnham has lived in tropical Colombia; in Belgium during the Vietnam War; in Japan teaching businessmen English; in diverse international Toronto, Canada; and several places in the US. Now, she's in Spokane, WA with her wife, Elizabeth, two sets of twins (age 11 & 14) and three dogs. Her recent book, *Awakenings: Peace Dictionary, Language and the Mind, a Daily Brain Health Program* includes the word for peace in hundreds of languages. Her poetry weaves through 80+ volumes of *The Year of the Poet*, *Inspired by Gandhi*, *Women Building the World*, and *A Woman's Place in the Dictionary*. She is currently working on several ekphrastic writing projects. One is a novel, *Art Thief Cracks Healing Code for Parkinson's Disease* and the other is non-fiction, *Using Ekphrastic Fiction Writing and Poetry to Create Interest and Promote Artists, Writers, and Poets*.

<http://www.NerveWhisperer.Solutions>

<https://healthy-brain.medium.com/bears-at-the-window-of-climate-change-d1fb403eeaf3>

Transform

Do not destroy rather transform
an artist tells us
use words weaponized with hate
reclaim
alter
turn the words around
peacefully
send them on their way

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Weapons Recycling Haiku

Guns transformed, beauty

a world where they have served, now

recycled in peace

Bringing Peace Near

In Swahili, a language of Mozambique
peace is said, “amani”
and a way to bring peace closer
in a Swahili proverb
"understanding attracts peace
it brings near that which is far"
what is far
that you wish near
look around
understand
another Swahili expression
“amani ya juu” means “peace from above”
as if peace can be near
above and all around us
with recognition

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Art and Peace

Art transforms
An ailing society
Into something new
Breaking the bonds
That tie
Inhuman deeds and lies,
Art heals
A catharsis for change
When humanity becomes blind,
To the atrocities of violence.

Paradox

I am a paradox
The more I listen,
The more I learn.
The more I learn,
The more I evolve
The Universe
Conspires for me
To achieve my dreams
If I set my heart into it.
I dare not follow the crowd
For I was born to stand out
A paradox
Complex yet deep,
Beautifully fragile.

Enigma

You are an enigma,
Unfathomable
Yet seekers you attract
Armed with mystery and charm
Enamoring hard hearts
Saving wretched souls.
An enigma,
Unforgettable soul
With such endless suffering
Now, redeeming yourself
From eternal damnation.

Joe
Paire

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Joseph L Paire' aka Joe DaVerbal Minddancer . . .
is a quiet man, born in a time where civil liberties
were a walk on thin ice. He's been a victim of his
own shyness often sidelined in his own quest for
love. He became the observer, charting life's path.
Taking note of the why, people do what they do. His
writings oft times strike a cord with the
dormant strings of the reader. His pen the rosined
bow drawn across the mind. He comes full-frontal
or in the subtlest way, always expressing in a way
that stimulate the senses.

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Gunstalks and Boots

I was shell-shocked when I first saw it.
A wrought iron mess of wrought iron.
Like so many sculptures I've seen on country roads
This one stood out like never before.

A handmade chair from leftover farm equipment
I could almost see the ornery owner in suspended jeans.
Y'all ain't from around here are you,
come on in and have drink.

Every piece of memory stuck to his chair was explained.
He redirected his focus not on the loss of life.
It was more like the efforts of Goncalao Mabunda.
to repurpose war into beauty.

I sipped the homemade lemonade,
in what was the hottest day of July.
I was thinking where this chair,
would fit in my home?

I never asked if it was for sale,
Knowing me I'd embellish a bit of the story.
"Do not destroy but transform."
"Do not erase but use weapons to redesign a new world
peace, so as to forget the atrocities of war."

The sun's rays cast unusual shadows through twisted metal.
What costs more, a tank or a harvester?
For those who only see a pile of junk.
Warcraft costs billions, and obsolete before the first drop.

Red Eyed Creatures

It was seventeen years ago to the day.
Their cries were so loud,
it was like a tale of the banshees.

They came like a mechanized army.
their uniforms were grotesquely grotesque.
These red eyed creatures didn't come for war.

They came to make love, like a man unjustly incarcerated
The women the faithful women had waited
Who wouldn't want a piece after that hibernation?

I'm just saying don't land on me.
I stayed inside most of the time, I don't mind.
I'm just saying don't land on me this time.

I haven't killed any of them yet, I don't want to.
I had to check my approach,
I'm still suffering from "Black Wall Street Blues"

We were often considered no better than roaches
How can I kill what doesn't appeal to my focus?
Notice the non-existing analogy?

I don't want those red eyed creatures landing on me.
I can't get into entomology, or dude what's wrong with me.
Deuteronomy, Yahweh, y'all wait a minute.

It's raining today, that alien sound gave way to the clouds.
I see dead red eyed creatures all over the ground.
I haven't killed not one, I still don't like them,
but sometimes I feel like one.

Twelve Books To Go

Better meet that quota
Better make that order
We can smell the odor, you're dead inside.

Crisis at the border
No executive slaughter
You don't even bother if it cost your lives.

You lied about who voted
You wish it were verboten
So, you implement a policy that will deny our rights.

Let's cut to the chase
There's been enough waste
I see you're thinking making decisions like the Third Reich

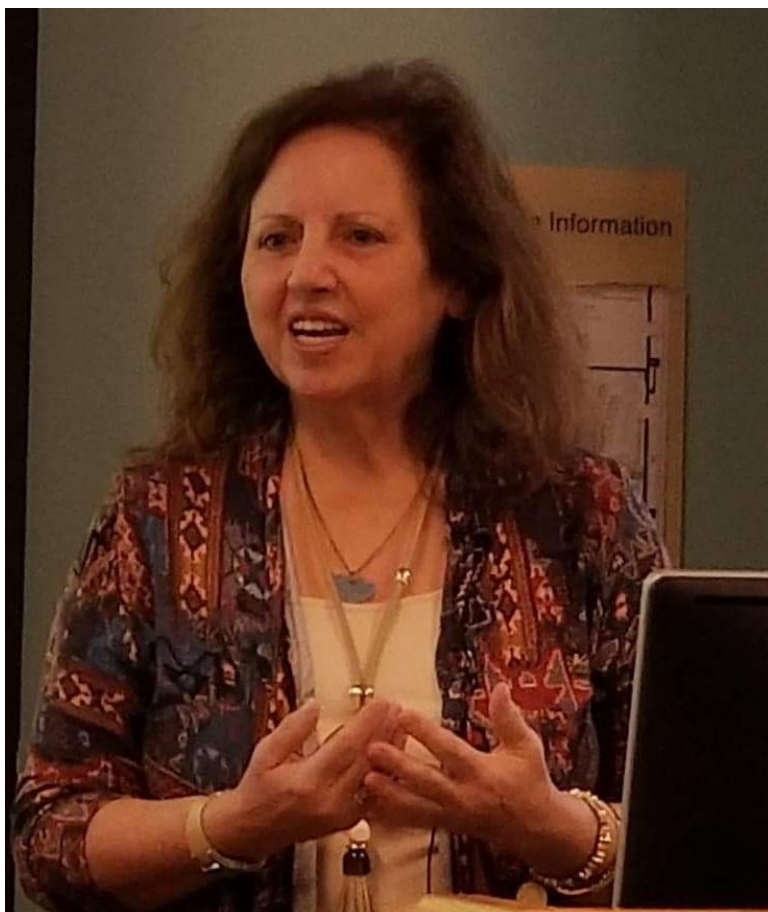
Tell me I'm wrong
with what I see going on
No one will believe that it's a fair fight.

For the love of slaves
For the money graves
You've been trying to bury us since our first rights

For the love of peace
For the love of the read
I give these words in hopes you'll breathe a new light

hülya
n.
gilmaz

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Professor Emerita (Humanities, Penn State, USA), hülya n. yılmaz [sic] is a published tri-lingual author, literary translator, and Director of Editing Services (Inner Child Press International, USA). Her work has appeared in numerous anthologies of global endeavors and was presented at poetry events in the U.S. and abroad. In 2018, the WIN of British Columbia, Canada honored yılmaz with a literary excellence award. Her two poems remain permanently installed in *Telepoem Booth* (USA). hülya finds it vital for everyone to understand a deeper sense of self, and writes creatively to attain a comprehensive awareness for and development of our humanity.

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to transform war

i imagine
raising children right now
i imagine
there is some clout left in me
i so imagine

the K-12 curricula in the U.S.A. will then
allow plenty of room for Goncalao Mabunda,
a Mozambican sculptor
to study at home
and in schools
across the board

this unique artist
etches his message of peace
in the heart of the globe

imagine!
he redesigns
weapons,
turning them into sculptures

born in 1975 in Mozambique's Maputo,
Mabunda eternalizes actual weapons
through a rare form of metamorphosis
in his skilled and able hands,
the cruelties of war become visual images
and thus, beacons of world peace
recycled bullets, AK47s and many other war supplies
emerge, in the words of Pliny the Elder,
as "something new out of Africa"

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Goncalao Mabunda's art, of course, only reaches
those members of humanity
who choose to keep their eyes
as well as their minds
awake, wide-awake
at all times

Are We Not All Hypocrites?

I often marvel at our hypocrisy;
how we came to sympathize with those
who faced in the past or still face
the ferocity and the explosive nature of war.

How can we possibly know
what the war-mongers do to the helpless bystanders,
if we ourselves have not been subjected
to such an existence, that is?

Too bad!
So sad!

What can we ever do, what do we ever do
other than muttering useless words of
momentary sympathy, empathy, pity?

Too bad!
So sad!

The Collective Memory of One's Country

Goncalao Mabunda is his name.
His country of birth enjoys his fame,
though it is not at all only for Mozambique
to claim ownership over his ingenious capability.

Find first Mabunda's Mozambique on the world map.
Think back to that country's brutal conflict of the past;
namely, The Mozambican Civil War from 1977 to 1992.
Imagine, if you can, a long, horrifying civil war in 2021.
Picture, if you can, more than 700,000 people
being displaced, to say the least.

This renowned sculptor survives
and chronicles his country's collective memory.
He melds arms, left behind by the year of 1992
for the divided territory.
AK47s, rocket launchers, pistols
and other annihilating objects metamorphose
into anthropomorphic forms in his hands.
The masks he assembles exhibit
a local history of traditional African art.

Deactivated weapons of war as political connotations?
Yes, of course!

Once taken in as the beautiful objects that they are;
however, his work reflects the transformative power of art
while it showcases the resilience and creativity
of African civilian societies. Each of the tribal symbols
and traditional pieces of ethnic African art
takes its permanent and prominent space
in the globally diverse viewers' hearts.

The collective memory of his country is, therefore,
engraved for generations of different cultures to come.

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Teresa
E.
Gallion

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Teresa E. Gallion was born in Shreveport, Louisiana and moved to Illinois at the age of 15. She completed her undergraduate training at the University of Illinois Chicago and received her master's degree in Psychology from Bowling Green State University in Ohio. She retired from New Mexico state government in 2012.

She moved to New Mexico in 1987. While writing sporadically for many years, in 1998 she started reading her work in the local Albuquerque poetry community. She has been a featured reader at local coffee houses, bookstores, art galleries, museums, libraries, Outpost Performance Space, the Route 66 Festival in 2001 and the State of Oklahoma's Poetry Festival in Cheyenne, Oklahoma in 2004. She occasionally hosts an open mic.

Teresa's work is published in numerous Journals and anthologies. She has two CDs: *On the Wings of the Wind* and *Poems from Chasing Light*. She has published three books: *Walking Sacred Ground*, *Contemplation in the High Desert* and *Chasing Light*.

Chasing Light was a finalist in the 2013 New Mexico/Arizona Book Awards.

The surreal high desert landscape and her personal spiritual journey influence the writing of this Albuquerque poet. When she is not writing, she is committed to hiking the enchanted landscapes of New Mexico. You may preview her work at

<http://bit.ly/1aIVPNq> or <http://bit.ly/13IMLGh>

Heavy Metal

He channels the violence in creative chaos.
Causes a pause to reflect on transformation
of negatives to positives.

Look closely and see peace emerge
from rough resistance that massages
the hands of those who bleed
from the weight of heavy metal.

Weapons converted to sculpture
give us an invitation to thoughtfully
pursue harmony and not war.

Breaking Fear Barriers

I don't know why I have this burning
to travel and push my boundaries.
Perhaps learning a new breed of freedom
will break the fear barriers.

Sitting here by the river
watching it timelessly flow,
I feel like the river today
with a strong urge to move.

I do not know where that will take me.
My soul is enjoying the ride
as my broken body struggles to keep up.

It must be the peacefulness that draws me
to a river that continues to run
without a care in the world.

Chocolate Resistance

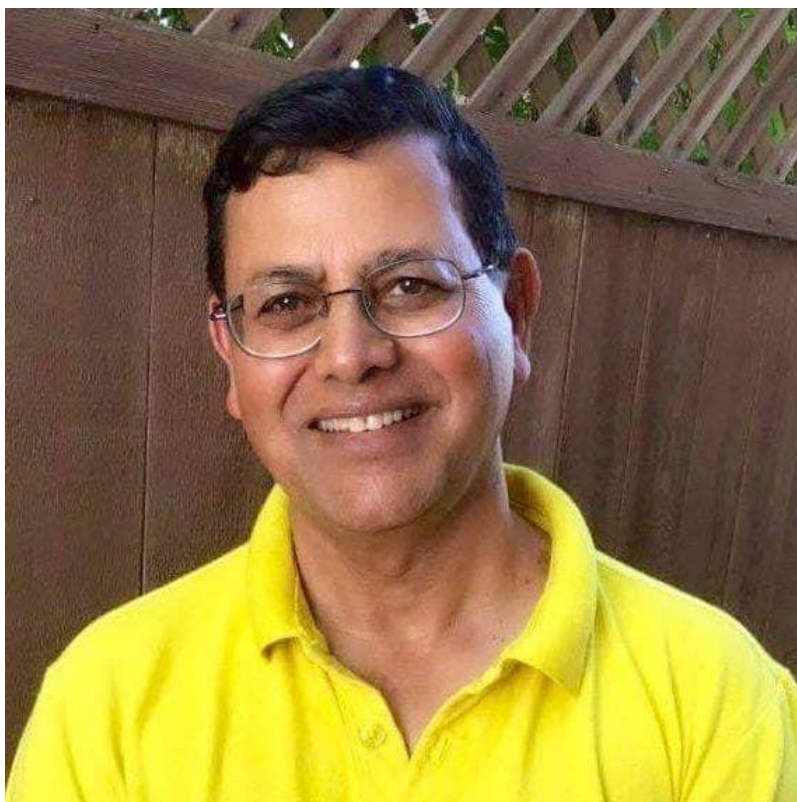
When I think of you,
I think of chocolate.
Your smooth black velvet skin
tenderly teases the senses.
I cannot resist the urge
to reach for you in my dreams.

Even the doors are drunk tonight
with your sacred dust moving locks.
Where did you come from?
I was certain you were removed
from my thoughts, words and deeds.
Here you are invading my space
with the scent of chocolate.

Such a mean, selfish stroke.
Look at my newsreel across the sky.
I gave up your chocolate years ago,
buried it deep in the caves of detachment.
I am pleased to be able
to resist you with grace and kindness.

Ashok
K.
Bhargava

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Ashok Bhargava is a poet, writer, community activist, public speaker, management consultant and a keen photographer. Based in Vancouver, he has published several collections of his poems: *Riding the Tide*, *Mirror of Dreams*, *A Kernel of Truth*, *Skipping Stones*, *Half Open Door* and *Lost in the Morning Calm*. His poetry has been published in various literary magazines and anthologies.

Ashok is a Poet Laureate and poet ambassador to Japan, Korea and India. He is founder of WIN: Writers International Network Canada. Its main objective is to inspire, encourage, promote and recognize writers of diverse genres, artists and community leaders. He has received many accolades including Nehru Humanitarian Award for his leadership of Writers International Network Canada, Poets without Borders Peace Award for his journeys across the globe to celebrate peace and to create alliances with poets, and Kalidasa Award for creative writings.

There is Always Something New

Hindu gods and angels wear weapons
to shield and protect the believers.
They mount on birds, beasts and sea mammals
for speed and efficiency.
They have more than two arms or numerous heads
to multitask and discharge many weapons simultaneously.

That's new when
bullets bloom from bended arches of rifles.
In the temples of art
tanks become idols for faithful to worship.

That's new when humanity rides
on broken wings of fighter planes.
A scene to behold when guns smoke like
incense in refugee camps.

I wonder no more
there is always something new.

Half A Face

Sky is alive with bright hues of orange, yellow and gray
beneath the dark green cedar tree.

It is quiet on the bench where we sit
thinking darkness is just another shade of light.

Inhaling deep, you clear your throat
wipe tears and begin to sing lyrics in a broken voice.
Telling stories of unfulfilled dreams
you ripple with pain but regain composure soon.

You shine like a half moon
thin like a sheet of paper
sliced directly down the center
with a razor-sharp precision.

A Sign

The afternoon sun is a fireball
skimming the horizon.
Inside the church hymns being sung
filling the air with aphorism
about finding the way home.

The fence separating priest's podium
from the parishioners
illuminated with the light filtering through
the stained-glass windows, created
an image of Jesus fallen off the cross, stuck in the fence.

Awaken the gods
mop up the ichor
make room for the homeless,
aliens and destitute
because it's a sign !

Caroline
'Ceri Naz'
Nazareno
Gabis

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Caroline ‘Ceri Naz’ Nazareno-Gabis, author of *Velvet Passions of Calibrated Quarks*, World Poetry Canada International Director to Philippines is known as a ‘poet of peace and friendship’, a multi-awarded poet, editor, journalist, speaker, linguist, educator, peace and women’s advocate. She believes that learning other’s language and culture is a doorway to wisdom.

Among her poetic belts include PANORAMA YOUTH LITERARY AWARDS 2020, 7th Prize Winner in the 19th, 20th and 21st Italian Award of Literary Festival; Writers International Network-Canada “Amazing Poet 2015”, The Frang Bardhi Literary Prize 2014 (Albania), the sair-gazeteci or Poet Journalist Award 2014 (Tuzla, Istanbul, Turkey) and World Poetry Empowered Poet 2013 (Vancouver, Canada). She’s a featured member of Association of Women’s Rights and Development (AWID), The Poetry Posse, Galaktika Poetike, Asia Pacific Writers and Translators (APWT), Axlepino and Anacbanua.

Her poetry and children’s stories have been featured in different anthologies and magazines worldwide.

Links to her works:

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the clothesline art gallery

unmask sunny Saturday
hampers are full,
left and right bubbly business
each one seeks social justice
flirting with the whites first,
then colored next,
great arithmetic collision
on the multichromatic props,
hang it up there, clip it that way
that makes your role-valet
come what may,
create spaces and art your way!

ten thousand more

you bring smiles to the princess
who eagerly waits for you
to start the Cocomelon's ABCs
and melodious one-two-three
even at times, we fall down
and have sleepy heads,
when you strum the guitar
you lighten up
gloomy days, as we exchange
yawns and stretches
most of the time, we do crisscross
and L-shape room for the little one,
your guessing games about butterflies
dream catchers, panda and everything
inside the room, seemingly
made routines over our daily rainbows
even colors do not match
those grand written wishes
you are the heart
you are the love
whom we adore
ten thousand more
and beyond.

Celebrate YEG

Get inside the Y-E-G spaceship
As we celebrate your ONEderful exploration!
You're a perfect gift to the family's constellation,
For now, Daddy and Mommy are your galactic homes,
For now grannies are your universe
Of love and wisdom,
For now, godparents are your
cosmic paths for caring and sharing,
For now, the senior and junior crews
are your aunts and uncles, and adorable cousins,
For now, enjoy giving everyone
starry smiles, moonlit kisses, heavenly charm
sunshiny hugs, meteor showers of giggles
While your planetary milestones
As you learn to walk and talk
Bring us blast of happiness...
One day soon, be a rocket
Of faith, hope, love, and respect
As you grow, our precious child
Kneel and pray to our divine Master of Masters,
Be blessed, through all the years!

Swapna
Behera

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Swapna Behera is a bilingual contemporary poet, author, translator and editor from Odisha, India. She was a teacher from 1984 to 2015. Her stories, poems and articles are widely published in National and International journals, and ezines, and are translated into different national and International languages. She has penned six books. She is the recipient of the Prestigious International Mother Language UGADI AWARD WINNER 2019. She was conferred upon the Prestigious International Poesis Award of Honor at the 2nd Bharat Award for Literature as Jury in 2015, The Enchanting Muse Award in India World Poetree Festival 2017, World Icon of Peace Award in 2017, and the Pentasi B World Fellow Poet in 2017. She is the recipient of the Prolific Poetess Award, The Life time Achievement Award, The Best Planner Award, The Sahitya Shiromani Award, ATAL BIHARI BAJPAYEE Award, ATAL Award 2018, Global Literature Guardian Award, International Life Time Achievement Award and the Master of Creative Impulse Award. She has received the Honoured Poet of India from the Seychelles Government accredited Literary Society Lasher one poem A NIGHT IN THE REFUGEE CAMP is translated into 60 languages. She is the Ambassador of Humanity by Hafrikan Prince Art World Africa 2018 and an official member of World Nation's Writers Union, Kazakhstan 2018. Italy, the National President for India by Hispanomundial Union of Writers (UHE), Peru, the administrator of several poetic groups, and the Cultural Ambassador for India and South Asia of Inner Child Press African is the life member of Odisha Environmental Society.

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singing the song of metamorphosis

melody of hope
local for global
death into life
no more guns
never to destroy but to create
never to erase but to use
a candid journey from
instability to stability
violence to nonviolence
deactivating weapons
redesign
a new world of peace
the anti war activist
who converted
spears into hooks
swords into ploughs
weapons to sculptures
based on thrones ,masks and other motifs
to march forward towards heavenly creation
an open challenge to the absurdity of war
a big NO to
rockets ,pistols ,shells
they can be
converted to anthropomorphic figures
death into life
weapons ,shells of the civil war
recycled and reused;
redesigned in an aesthetic and artistic way
peace is a hymn
the construction is in the mindset
he is a peace activist

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Goncalao Mabunda
speaking the silent language through sculpture
an eye opener
a butterfly on the mast of the submarine
singing the song of metamorphosis
celebrating peace ;the eternal language

autobiography of an ambulance driver

dear my love
your body wrapped in a white loin cloth
was dumped by them
I have seen only your right palm
a palm ,so beautiful as if a wax hand
with radiant colours of **mehendi**
how I wish till date to see your face
each night you descend from the sky
as multiple moons and kiss lips mine
I am in love with you dear
they brought you
from the city hospital
on a stretcher
police behind holding files
I saw your mother screaming
as if she wanted to tear the sky

they said you were pregnant
so your lover killed you .
your character assassination was
going on in the crematorium
but I love you dear girl
you had the rights to sing, smile,
dance and love
live a life
an ordinary life
if not an extraordinary

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I am an ambulance driver ...
how long shall I carry
the buds of unknown garden ?
Is death so dark ?
has love a dark face too?
is life a tough business?

mehendi ; -mehendi is a form of body art using the paste
of henna plant .

deciphering a prelude

under the lamp post
two shadows
a parting path between
two green alphabets
nano smiles
an ounce of rhapsody
exotic ebb and flow
in terms of the oeuvre
a single door opens
pristine journey starts

Albert
'Infinite'
Carrasco

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Albert “Infinite The Poet” Carrasco is an urban poet, mentor and public speaker.

Albert believes his experience of growing up in poverty, dealing with drugs and witnessing murder over and over were lessons learnt, in order to gain knowledge to teach. Albert’s harsh reality and honesty is a powerfully packed punch delivered through rhyme. Infinite grew up in the east part of the Bronx and still resides there, so he knows many young men will follow the same dark path he followed looking for change. The life of crime should never be an option to being poor but it is, very often.

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Infinite the poet on reverbnation

Infinite Poetry

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Goncalo Mabunda

make peace not war,
make art out of weapons for gore.
Goncalo Mabunda would make art out of guns and clips
and other man made tools for made for murder,
boots from a fallen soldier that'll leave footprints on the
heart of an aching mother forever,
Bullets, bombs, mortars, all type of ammunition that
would've been used and was used for mass murder.
Mabunda turned death into life, he understood that brother
killing brother is trife,
he didn't want to see or hear about people being shot,
speared or pierced by a jagged edged knife.
There was nothing but peace on his mind, his structures of
art can be seen displayed at museums
all over the world, from africa, to New York's Art and
design.
Goncalo Mabunda received hundreds of thousands of items
off the battle field and molded them
into beautifully ugly art with hopes to help battles yield.
the thought provoked from his pieces create visions of a
hatred sheild.
make peace not war,
make art out of weapons for gore.

Assassination of character

The agony, the pain, after they pulled the trigger this is
what the bullet rang after the

bang, as It twirls like little ballerina girls, its searching for
death, or the best thing next,

like being a veggy or paraplegic, a wheelchair is
detrimental , when feet have no use for

walking on cement, or after being bullet riddled we become
bed ridden, with a tube

leading to a bag, for us to piss and shit in.

If we do walk again after the hot spirally object impacts, we
may walk with limps, or with

a set of crutches for amputated limbs, or a walker with
tennis balls on the ends so we

don't slip. burn marks mark our body from every bullet that
left a clip. I tried to tattoo

over what guns do, if you look you can't tell, but if you
touch your feel rugged epidermis

where the bullets went through, they protrude.

When its foggy or it rains, I got a slug by my lung, on these
days I feel the most pain,

they say they spray with no names, not this day I was the
indented target to this lame,

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he called a queen out her name, so I came with the knuckle
game like mosley, next

thing you know he pulled the trigger, the bullet rang after
the bang, that sucker left me

with 4 holes staggering into emergency, they started
flushing me, lead poison testing

me, it was a 50 50 chance to live if they operated me, I was
only 16 , moms chose to

opt out of surgery on me, to the street world I am now an
outsider, inside me ill forever

have a street life reminder,

Why

Why did he do it
From where I am, I can rewind time and see his every
action
I'm studying him to understand why
He wakes up in the morning, kisses his wife and three
baby's, just as I did
I'm watching him get dressed for work just as i am
It's crazy how two unfamiliar faces are doing the same
thing I Different places
I put on my work clothes
He puts on his ensemble
I walk downstairs to check my mail box
He carefully walks downstairs, holding his waistline,
making sure what he's holding don't drop
My car is parked two blocks away, it's at a spot on the
corner, so I'm walking
There he goes walking my direction stalking
I can sense the danger
Today we will no longer be strangers
I ruffle through my pockets for the keys
My window shatters
What he had in his waistline is now pointed at me
I'm watching myself plead
I'm begging him not to shoot
He's persistently screaming give me the loot
I give it to him, but he still shoots to kill
He runs off with what I just got out the mailbox,
Which was payroll for my guys
He runs back upstairs, with the look of greed in his eyes
His wife looks and ask what's wrong
He says I just killed to pay our bills
Turns out he was recently fired from his nine to five
So now I know but still don't understand

Why "I" had to die

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Eliza
Søgiæt

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Eliza Segiet: Master's Degree in Philosophy, completed postgraduate studies in Cultural Knowledge, Philosophy, Arts and Literature at Jagiellonian University. She is a member of The Association of Polish Writers and The NWNWU - Union of Writers of the World.

Her poems *Questions* and *Sea of Mists* won the title of the International Publication of the Year 2017 and 2018 in Spillwords Press.

For her volume of *Magnetic People* she won a literary award of a *Golden Rose* named after Jaroslaw Zielinski (Poland 2019 r.). Her poem *The Sea of Mists* was chosen as one of the best one hundred poems of 2018 by International Poetry Press Publication Canada.

In Poet's Yearbook, as the author of *Sea of Mists*, she was awarded with the prestigious Elite Writer's Status Award as one of the best poets of 2019 (July 2019).

She was awarded *World Poetic Star Award* by World Nations Writers Union – the world's largest Writers' Union from Kazakhstan (August 2019).

In September 2019 she was 1st Place Laureate (Foreign Poetry category) – in Contest *Quando È la Vita ad Invitare* for poem *Be Yourself* (Italy).

Her poem *Order* from volume *Unpaired* was selected as one of the 100 best poems of 2019 in International Poetry Press Publications (Canada).

Nominated for the Pushcart Prize 2019.

Nominated for the iWoman Global Awards (2019).

Laureate Naji Naaman Literary Prize 2020.

Laureate International Award PARAGON OF HOPE (Canada, 2020).

Obtained certificate of appreciation from *Gujarat Sahitya Academy* and *Motivational Strips* for literary excellence par with global standards (2020).

Ambassador of Literature granted by *Motivational Strips*.

Author's works can be found in anthologies, separate books and literary magazines worldwide.

Humility

To Goncal Mabund

Time has come for understanding

– rifles bullets
or other annihilating blasters,
might become sculptures.

The attributes of war
changed into a dialogue
between them

– the mindless and the understanding
it's not art for its own sake,
but time of humility towards others' existence.

Their target is

– to stop death,
as to awake the life.

Translated by Ula de B.

Not Found

What should I mourn?

A lost house?
It is not worth it.

I have yet a place
to last.

To last for life?
I do not know.

Until someone reports
that underground, with the rats
lives
a wanted not yet found,
needed by children,
ordinary human.

What should I mourn?
War?

I do not have in me
so many tears.

Translated by Artur Komoter

Heart's Silence

Swooned love
can only wait for its time.
So many years of heart's silence
does not give hope for returns.

Yet unbelief
in what seemed
impossible
was a mistake.

After all, it is worth
loving people again.

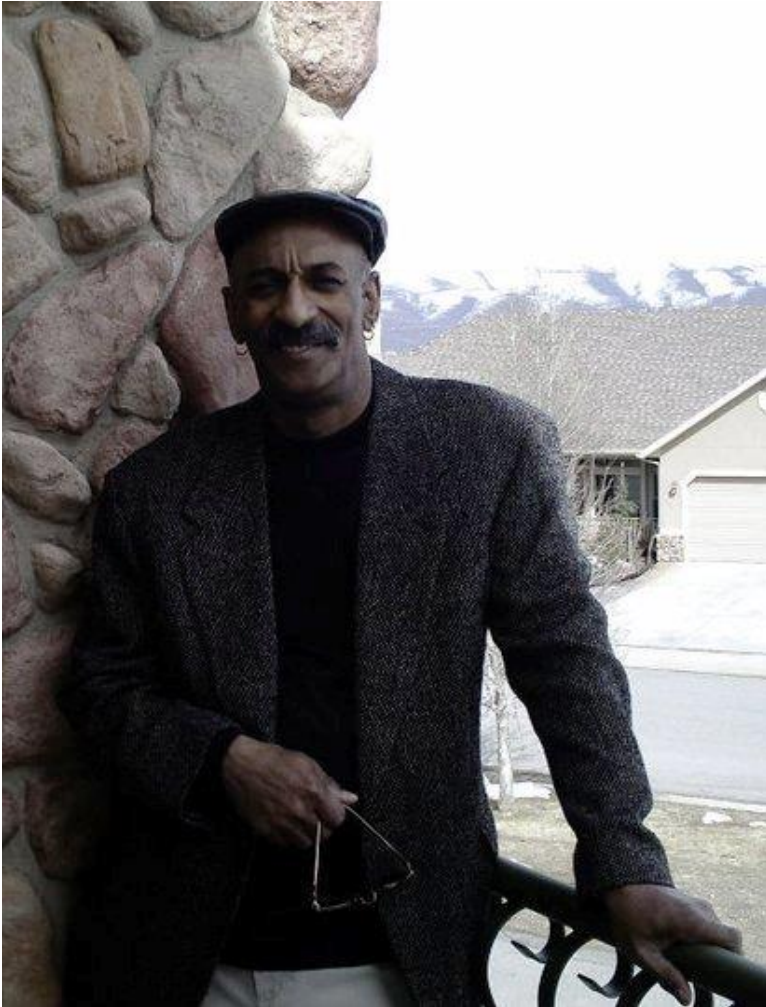
Evil is not in everyone,
people still learn it.

One just has
to stop them
– show them the Human beauty.

Translated by Artur Komoter

William
S.
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Bill's writing career spans a period of over 50 years. Being first Published in 1972, Bill has since went on to Author in excess of 50 additional Volumes of Poetry, Short Stories, etc., expressing his thoughts on matters of the Heart, Spirit, Consciousness and Humanity. His primary focus is that of Love, Peace and Understanding!

Bill says . . .

I have always likened Life to that of a Garden. So, for me, Life is simply about the Seeds we Sow and Nourish. All things we "Think and Do", will "Be" Cause and eventually manifest itself to being an "Effect" within our own personal "Existences" and "Experiences" . . . whether it be Fruit, Flowers, Weeds or Barren Landscapes! Bill highly regards the Fruits of his Labor and wishes that everyone would thus go on to plant "Lovely" Seeds on "Good Ground" in their own Gardens of Life!

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Tinker Art

A tinkerer does what a tinkerer does
A tinkerer does what a tinkerer loves

Do what you love
Tinker at it
Tinker with it
Tinker at it
Like you love it

Make your love art
And your art love

Make love not war

Disabled and Labeled

They tried to categorize me as
Developmentally Disabled,
For....

I refused to walk their line
Which they claimed to be
Simple, straight and correct

....

I could not understand then,
And to this day,
I have failed

What has Einstein,
Shakespeare, Browning or Keats
Done for me lately,
Or ever at all?

Instead of Calculus,
I was trying to learn
How to calculate
So that i could navigate
Through this maze
Without raising
Too much notice
To the ...
Color of my skin.

But again and again
That alone became
The determining factor
Of the state of my
'Well Being'
Without due consideration for
My ability and my potential.

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So therefore,
My possibilities were limited,
So they thought!
But because i was
'Developmentally Disabled'
In their eyes,
They never saw me coming!

When I was

I wish that I had met you
When I was a young man,
Strong and anxious
With dreams bursting
At the seams
Ready to explore
The world

Now all I have to offer
Is memories and exaggerations
Of how things used to be

What have I become?
What am I becoming?
Has the path through life's garden
Become any easier,
Or have I finally learned
The lessons of
Tolerance,
Patience and
IDGAF?⁷

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Iram Jaan

Vesna Mundishevskaja-Veljanovskaja

Ngozi Olivia Osuoha

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Iram
Jaan

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Iram Jaan

Myself Ronaq. I'm 16 years old. I live in Kashmir. My interest in poetry rose when i was 10 years old. During my 8th standard, i eventually started liking poetry and somehow tried to write something. And eventually i got so much connected to poetry, that whenever i feel blue, i start writing. It makes me feel calm and provides me a peaceful day. I'm not a born writer but i wanna become world's, "One of the most popular writer's". That's all i want. Thanks

One day

The problems will fly away
As if they never existed
The tears will get dry
With the warmth of trust
The pain will fade away
By the alleviation of love
The exuding wound will heal
While walking through the path of truth
The feelings will reach the stars
Where they'll attain the peace of heart
The faith will get stronger
When the heart espies the Creator
The lies of life will end
At the beautiful door of death.
Ronaq...

Forlorn

In the darkness of night,
she descries moon.

In the revengeful world,
she amours to forgive.

In the defunct situation,
she finds vivacity.

In the quandary ,
she remains optimistic.

In the race of giving up,
she keeps fighting for her.

In the path of disrespect,
she urges for respect.

In the hour, when the people think of their own,
she gets worried about the humanity.

But in the flock of sheep,
she is forlorn.

Ronaq...

"O my dear luck" please, show some trust

I am an unlucky fellow and "my luck" you never made me mellow. I did a mistake by trusting you. You always made me bow before the situation. I never got, what I wanted but I always got, what you wanted me to have .

Why! tell me why! would I, trust you when you never thought of me. I wanted to conquer the world but you made me a big loser. You betrayed me "luck" like the way you did to . You are greedy ; you always run after wealth. Do you remember how you made the rich, richer and a poor , poorer. You are coward luck ,try to recall what you did to Bert Sutcliffe. Once try to trust a person who is poor but hardworking, who is ready to do everything to achieve his goal. Please, please once be with him. Now, when everything is going against me, so I'm begging "O my dear luck please, show some trust".

Ronaq...

Vesna
Mundishčevska
Veljanovska

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Vesna Mundishevsk-Veljanovska (b.1973) is a member of the Macedonian Writers' Association, Macedonian Science Society – Bitola and Bitola's Literary Circle. She has published 13 books of poetry, 2 books of critical essays, 1 poetry book for children and has co-authored 6 vocational books for teachers. Her poetry has been translated and represented in anthologies. She has won numerous poetry awards.

She is editor of the Journal of Culture “Sovremeni dijalozi/ Contemporary Dialogues” and has edited several literary journals and over 30 poetry books and collections. She was president of the Literature Association "Razvitok" and of Literary Youth of Macedonia – Bitola.

Embers Of Life

In the fireplace of the everyday
we rub like embers –
 burned out and fired up again,
 silenced than inflamed,
 wilded or spoiled,
like water and shore,
 like stone and footprints,
 like a walk and jump,
 like flight and reach...

With a handle of sparkled winds
we hang out in the chambers
of the stellar bundle of the heart,
and then with a wax seal from the Sun
we melt the dusty veil of grayness
pulsating contractions in red vividness.

On The Balcony

The balcony unfolds
new view:
an underlined sky
with two electric wires,
swollen clouds and
black birds in a couple that aspires.

Their beaks are full of
the insatiability.
The day breathes in fear
from the destruction.

In the zenith sparkles
the reduction.

I've put glasses on
to tame
the Almighty construction.

PUNCTUATION HUNT

I'm throwing a hook
to get out of the mud
all questions and exclamations of the everyday.

The distance between the words
opposes the settlement of the saying,
and the open quotation marks of the revival
put in brackets the self-withdrawing
and draw a line in the palm of the existence
typing a dash
for the reproduction of the upcoming.

The suspicions of the bait at the end of the thread
are cut by a hyphen
that divides them into two rows of hesitation.
Inverted question mark
dries on the hook of the surprise,
and one persistent comma
pushes itself among the points of reality
and lengthens them

...

The infinity tightens in three dots

..

On its back lies down the colon

.

The ending is in dilemma

;

The story goes on

Translation from Macedonian to English:
Jasmina Vasilevska

Ngozi
Olivia
Osuoha

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Ngozi Olivia Osuoha is a Nigerian poet / writer / thinker / author. She's a graduate of Estate Management with experience in Banking and Broadcasting. She has featured in over sixty international anthologies and has equally published over two hundred and sixty poems in over twenty five countries. She has authored twenty three poetry books and some of them are archived in the United States' Library of Congress. She is also a tailor.

Some of her poems have been nominated for both the Best Of The Net Awards and Pushcart Prize.

Some of her works have also been translated into and published in some languages, including Spanish, Arabic, Farsi, Macedonian, Russian, Romanian, Khloe, Polish, among others.

My Alma Mater

Dear Alma Mater
I write you in tears,
As I am filled with fears
I am hopeless
And equally helpless,
I cry regularly
And weep constantly,
Nothing seems to comfort me
Because you are in ruins.

The future is blurred
And the night scary,
The past is 'hurtful'
The present is harmful,
The night is scary
The future is blurred.

Built for the future
To nurture the unborn,
Built for the unborn
To nurture the future,
I weep my Alma mater
For the future is blurred
For the unborn maybe uncultured.

Your buildings dilapidate
Your quarters go obsolete,
Your fields turn bushes
Your courts become plain,
I weep for my Alma mater.

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You made queens and angels
Giants and heroines,
You produced great women
Wonders of the world,
Dear Alma mater
My heart bleeds.

Return, return O Shulammite
For your beauty wooed the king,
Return for your scent adorned the prince
Your ornament decorated the chosen
Return my purple gold
Return O my St Catharine's,
For my heart bleeds!

In the Midst of Plenty

Hungry and thirsty
Lonely and bored
Poor and blind
In the midst of plenty.

Idleness and joblessness
Wishes and dreams,
In the midst of plenty.

Handicapped and constrained
Helpless and hopeless,
Struggles and wars
Ups and downs
Tosses and rebounds
In the midst of plenty.

Rejections and defections
Depressions and retrogressions
Stress and strain
Pain and rain
Anger and rage,
Bitterness and uneasiness
Yet in the midst of plenty.

Uneasiness, unsteadiness
Unhappiness, unforgiveness
In the midst of plenty.

The Game of Silence

Close your eyes
Let them remain closed
For you must be blind,
Close your mind
Keep them behind
That is the game.

Make no move
Do not disturb
Here to make you absurd
Look down, not above
Remain silent,
This is our game.

Raise no eyebrow
Otherwise before cockcrow
You would be gone
And we will be done,
Keep calm, it is the game
Make no move.

We are hunger
We are starvation
We are hate
We are terrorism,
We are war
We are tsunami
We are crime
Move no inch
You cannot bear our pinch.

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We are the game
The silencer
On the game of silence
To silence even the wind,
We quench the fire
We cease the rain
And we cause draught.

Dear Democracy

The more agendas you unleash
The more I feel finished,
The more your orders proceed
The more I see greed,
The more your troops advance
The more frightened I become,
Dear democracy
I hope you are not a tyrant.

Severally, you have failed me
Times without number, you tricked me
Countlessly, you pranked me
Numerous moments, you blew me
Dear democracy
I hope you are not a sadist.

No oneness, no orderliness
No clarity, no unity
No equity nor equality
No justice but malice
Prejudice even to the novice
No integration, but migration
No solution, but segregation
No harmonization, but discrimination
Only cabal too fatal
Dear democracy
I hope you are not a killer
I pray you are not a terrorist
I believe you are not a racist
And may you not be a tribalist.

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Lan
Qyqalla

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Lan Qyqalla, the Albanian poet from Kosovo, is an Albanian Language and Literature professor, editor of dozens of literary works and books on science, economics, medicine, justice and so on. He is a lecturer and editor for many literary and cinematographic works. Member of Mirdita and Albanian magazines. He is translated into Romanian and German. Laureate of the First Prize at the International Tore Melisa Contest (Italy). Participant in numerous Anthologies of World “Open korsi 2” poets and Anthologies of Albanian poetry in Kosovo, Albania and Romania. He prepared for print the volumes of poems and stories Poetic Longings of Kosovo (2013-2017). He is secretary and president of several writers' associations in Kosovo. Member of the American-Albanian Academy of Sciences in New York. He lives and creates in Prishtina.

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When the Poet Loves

When the poet loves
the moon becomes pregnant
with the autumn pollen
the stars laugh with Pitagora's theorem
the sun receives rays of love
tsunami become the poet's words
Lora is immersed in the block of salt.
When the poet sings
adorns the world
with the smell of love
he gives the mountains
Beethoven's symphony
the rivers are enjoying
Mtika's work
the sea of poet's feelings
and Lora falls asleep
on the wedding stone
a living metaphor
in infinite verses.

The Sorrow of the Poem

the poetry got mad at me
left me this evening
I quarreled with a few tyrants
slipped into the red landscape
I'm waiting for the muse...

The poet did not enter
the flames
sharpened
in the corner of Bermuda
torturing himself
through the magical sounds
in the barefoot walk
of poetic drops
the poetry got mad
and could not find tonight
the "Path of Letters"!

Lora from Prishtina

The Goddess descends into memories
Lora took into her arms
the blessed silence
an eye she gave to love
a song to the sun
to evil she gave the smile
her lips enchanted me
embracing the dream of the poet...

Again with Lora of Prishtina
we often meet on the boulevard
looking at the shadows of the rocks
beauty walks courageous
in love as the meteor of words
rain with arrows in sight
her lips put ash on my tongue
where the unspoken word slopes
the missing halt
during the white sleep
Lora of Prishtina -
gives a song to the sun.

Blindness

blind yourself
I do not want you
having a look at the sea
I do not want you
to see the color
in the ocean of your eyes
I want to drown
in your grace
to have you
my love.

This wish
in light
of birth
to perish
to infinity!



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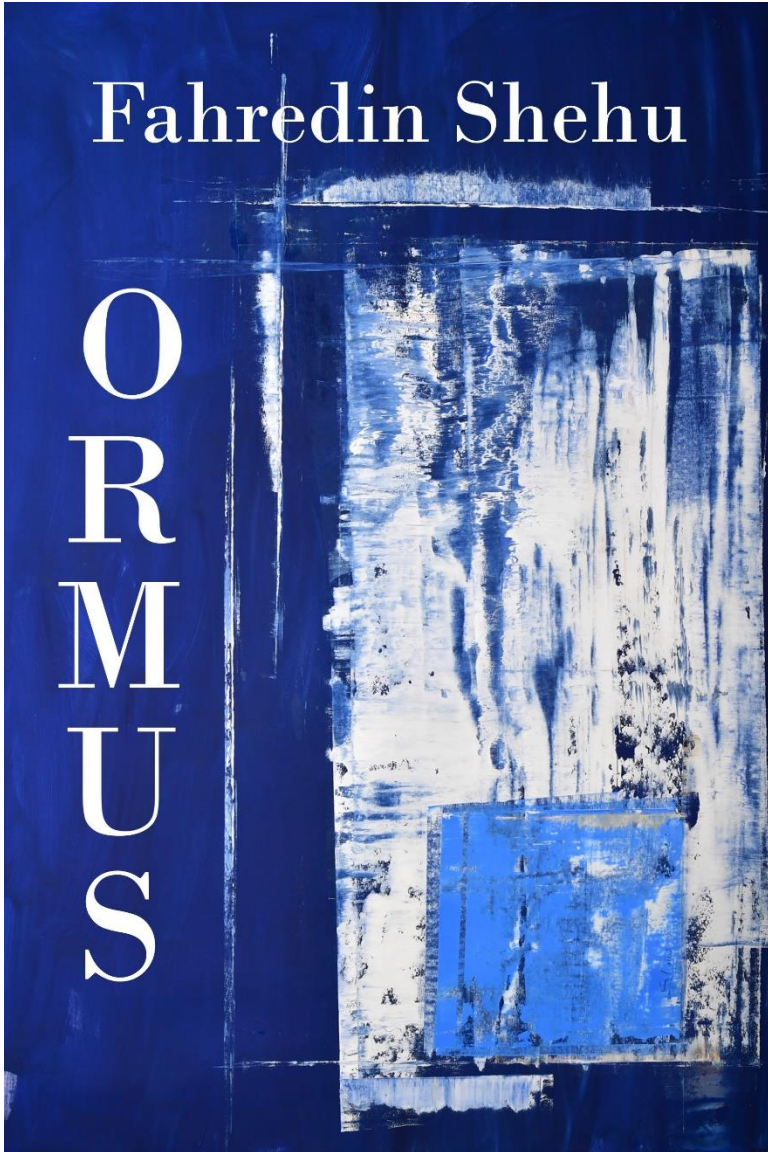
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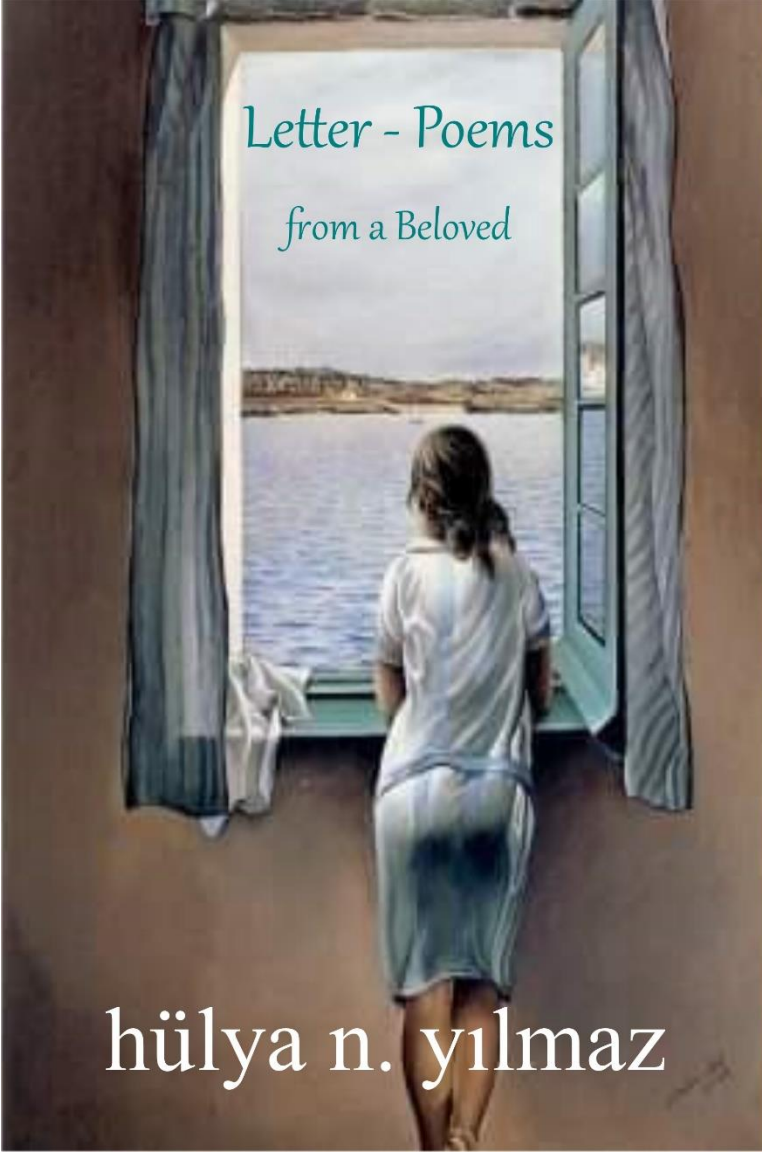
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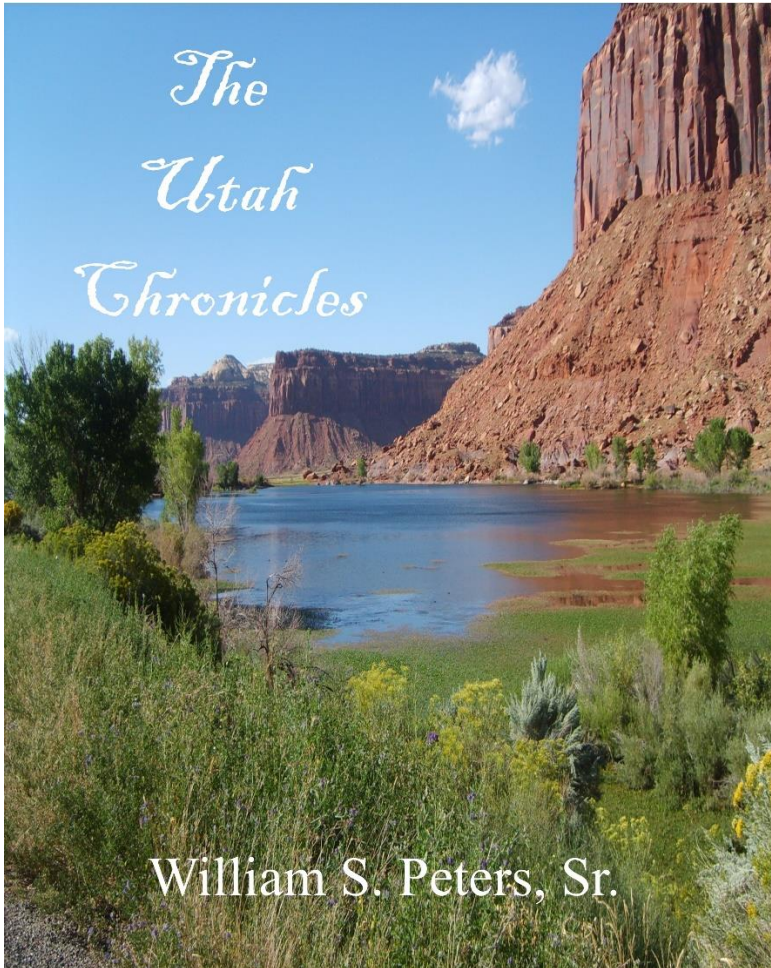
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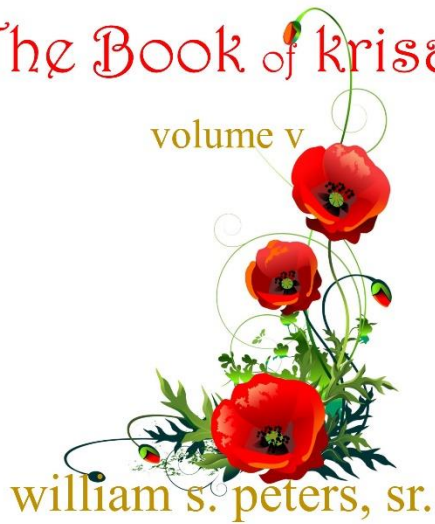
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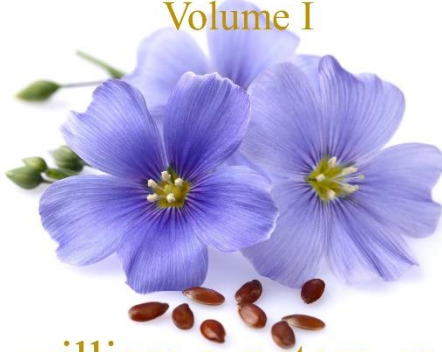
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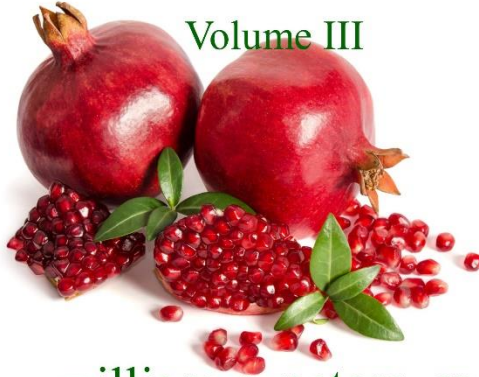
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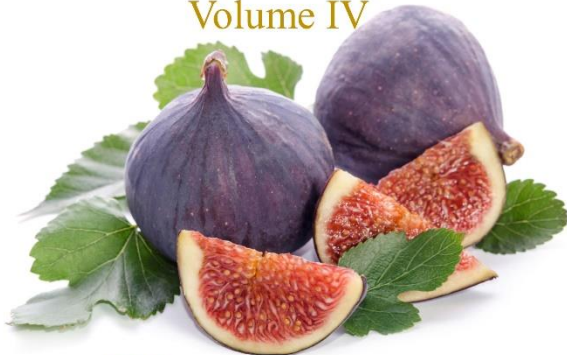
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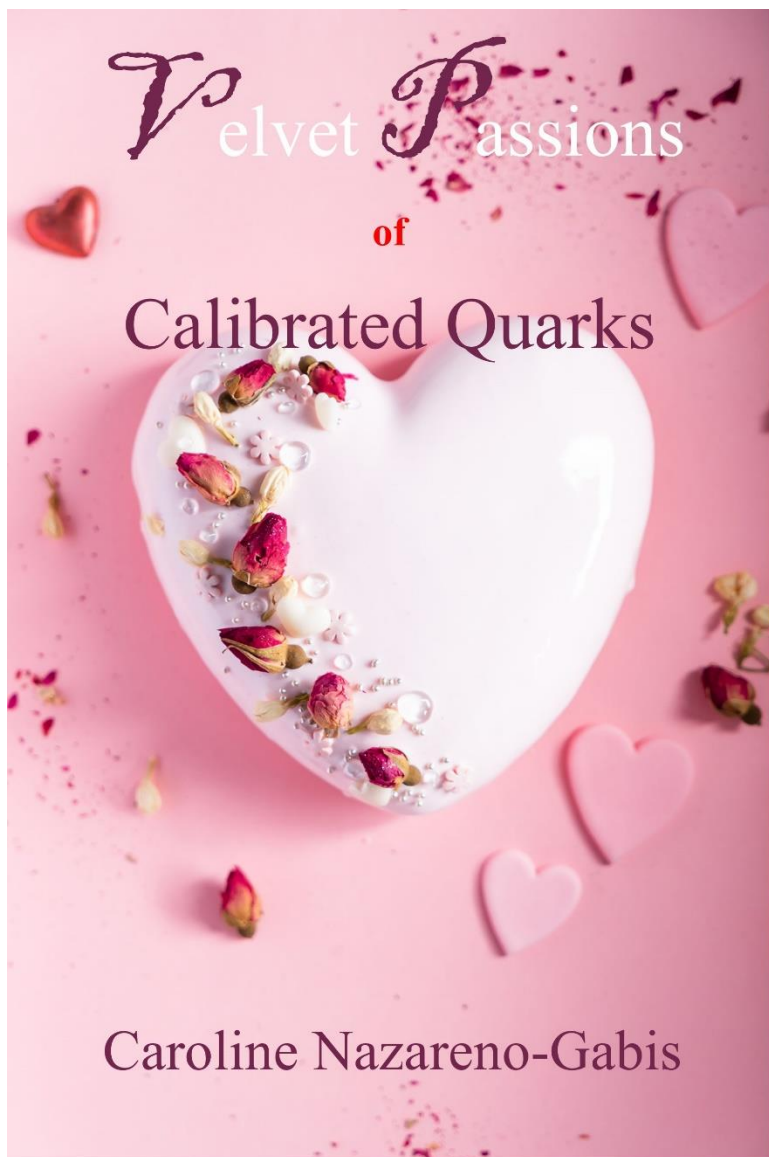


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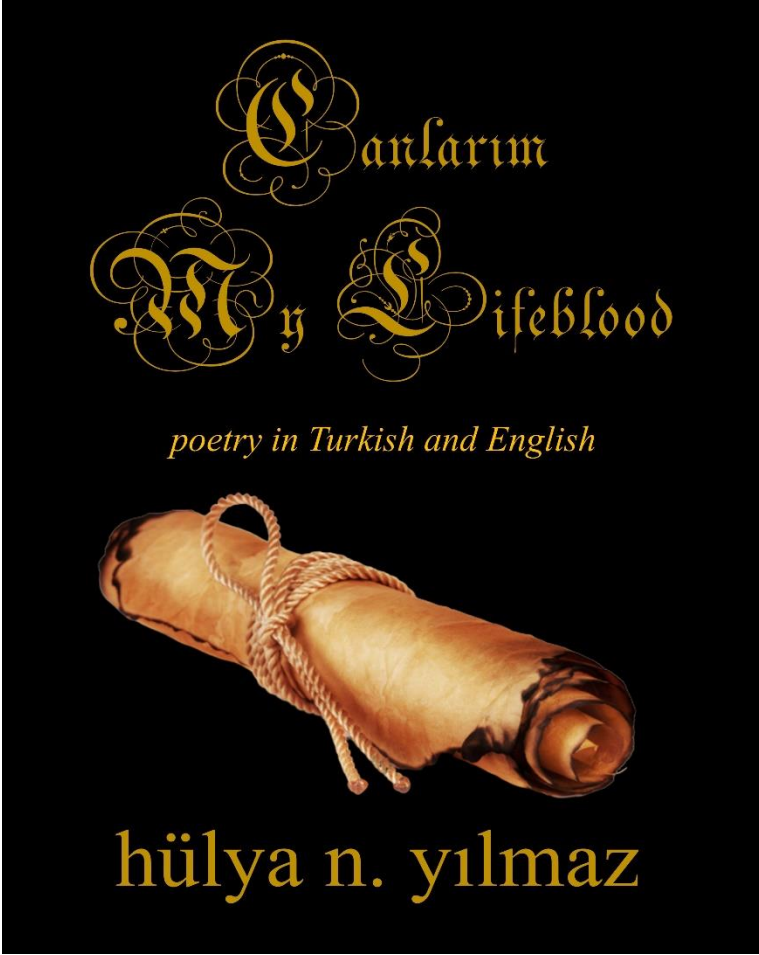
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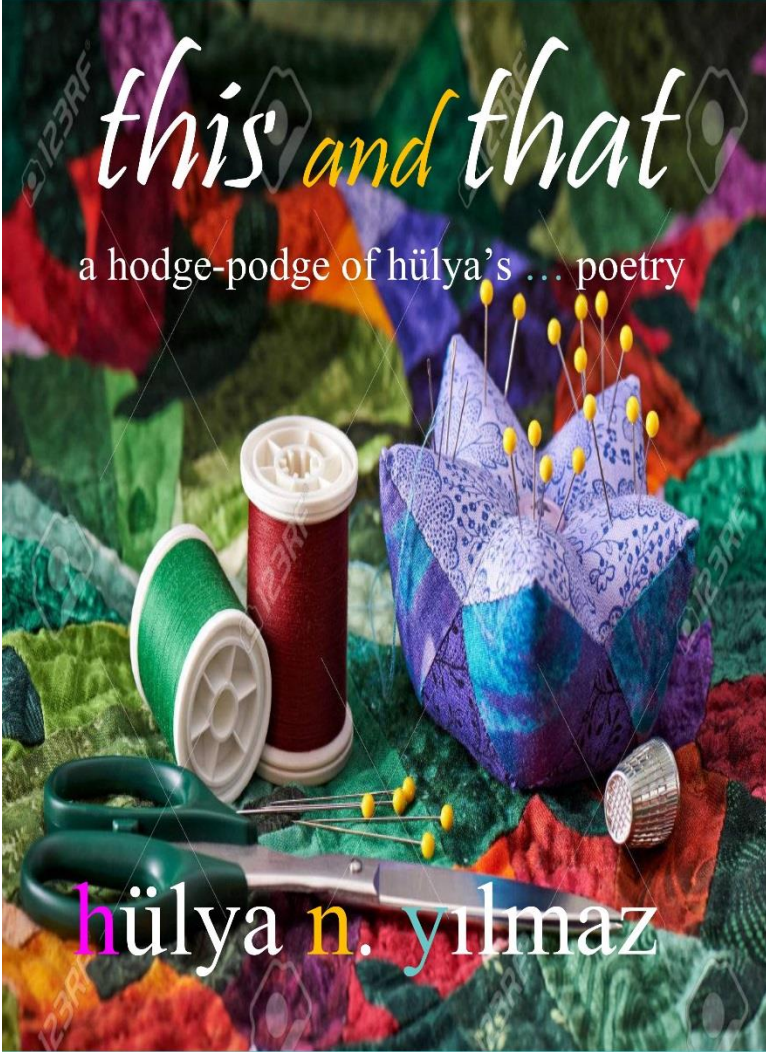
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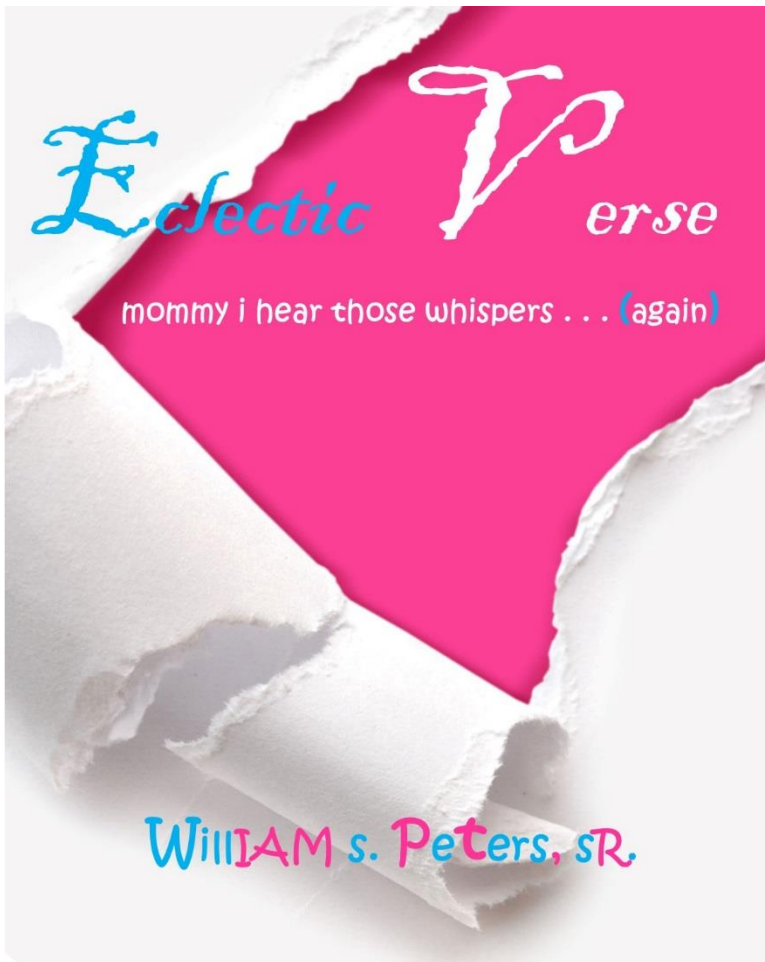
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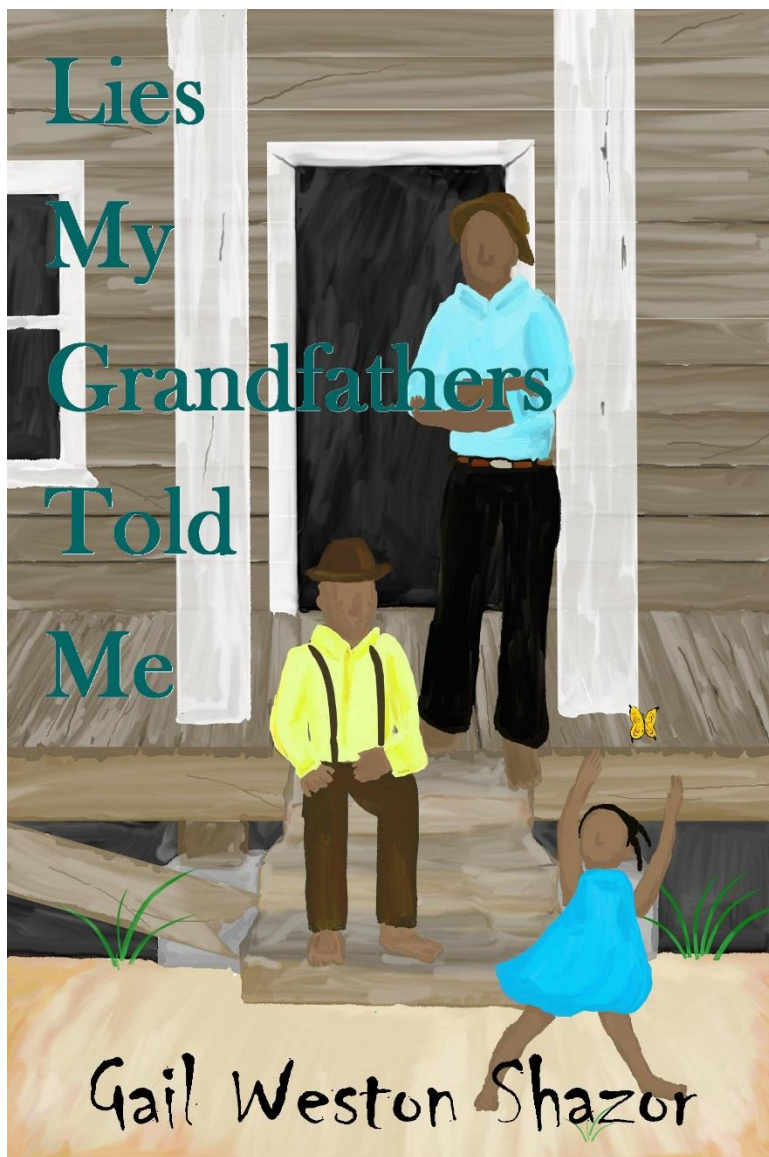
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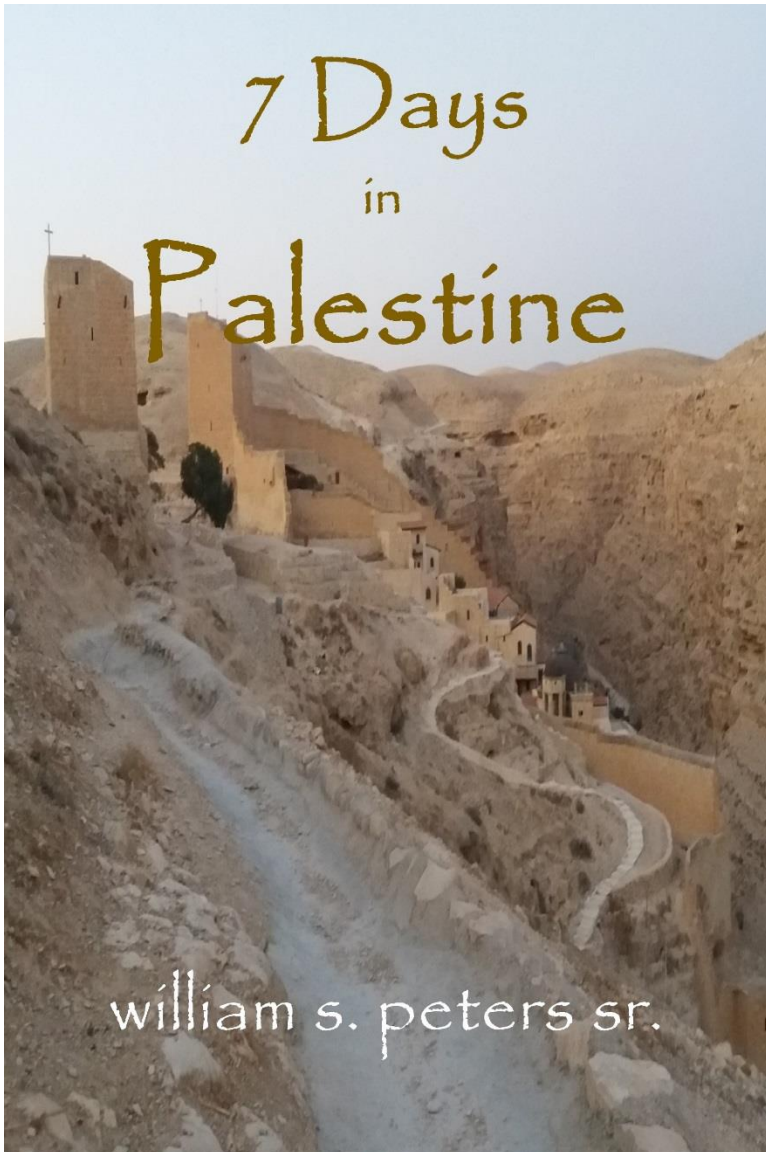
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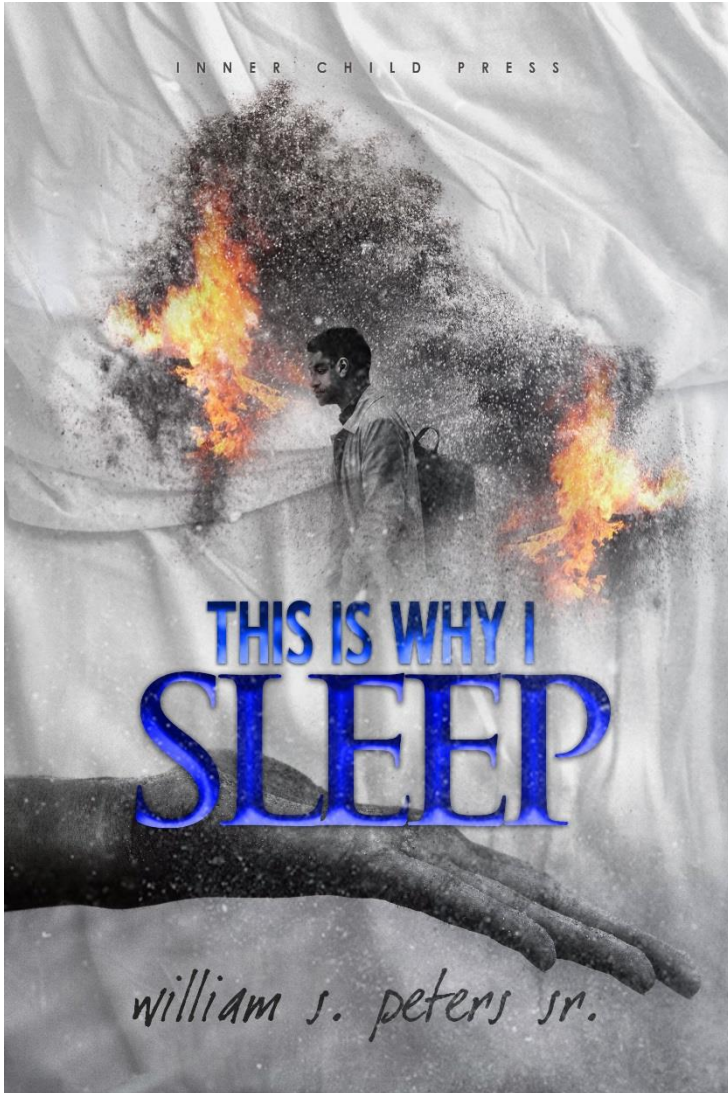
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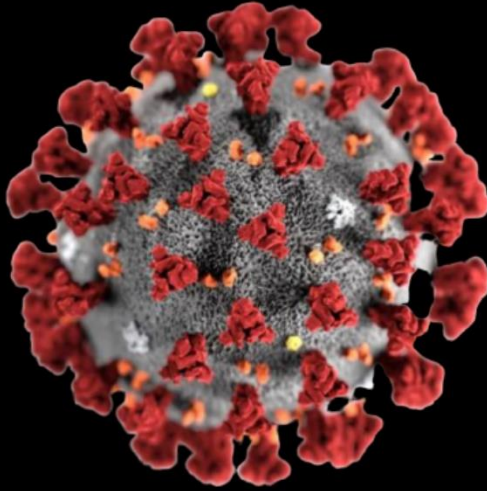
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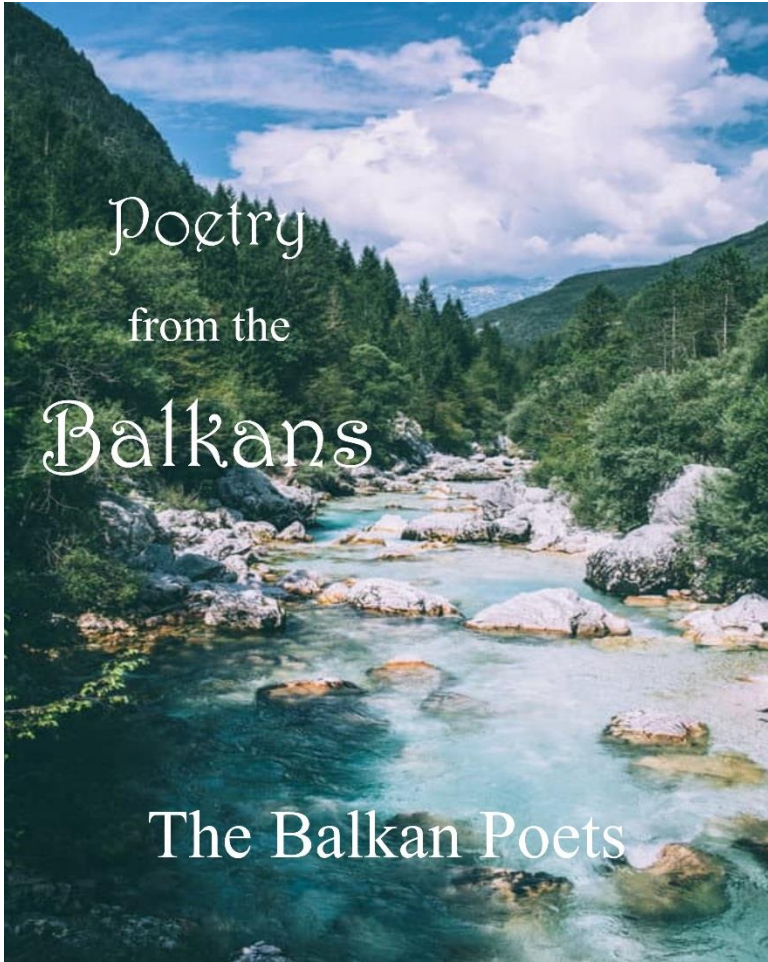
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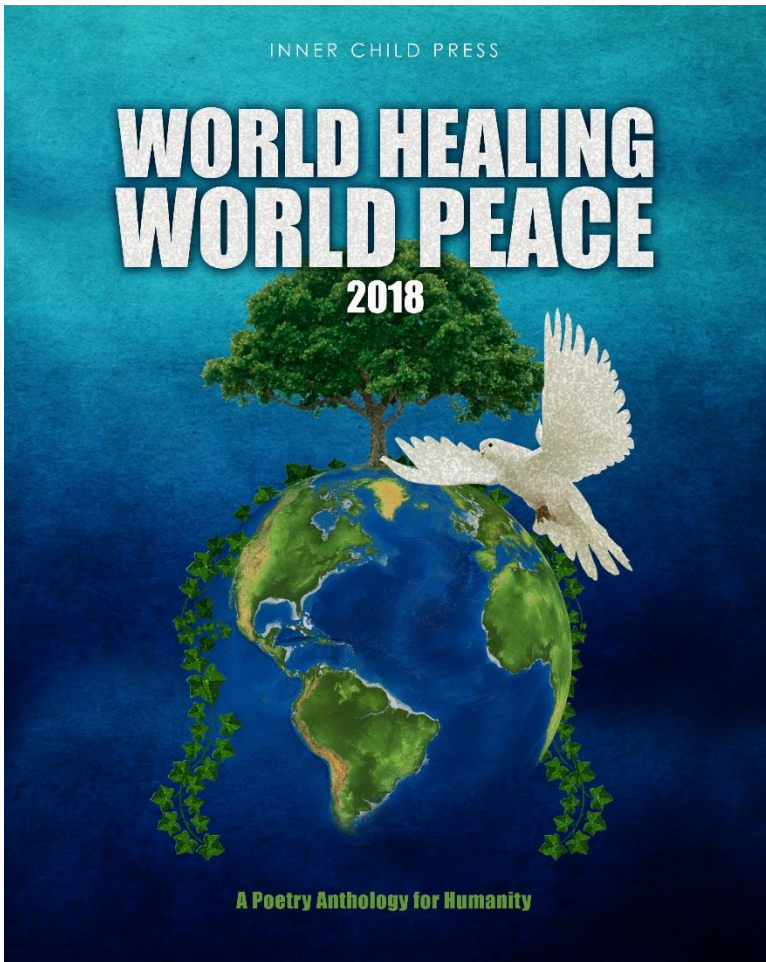
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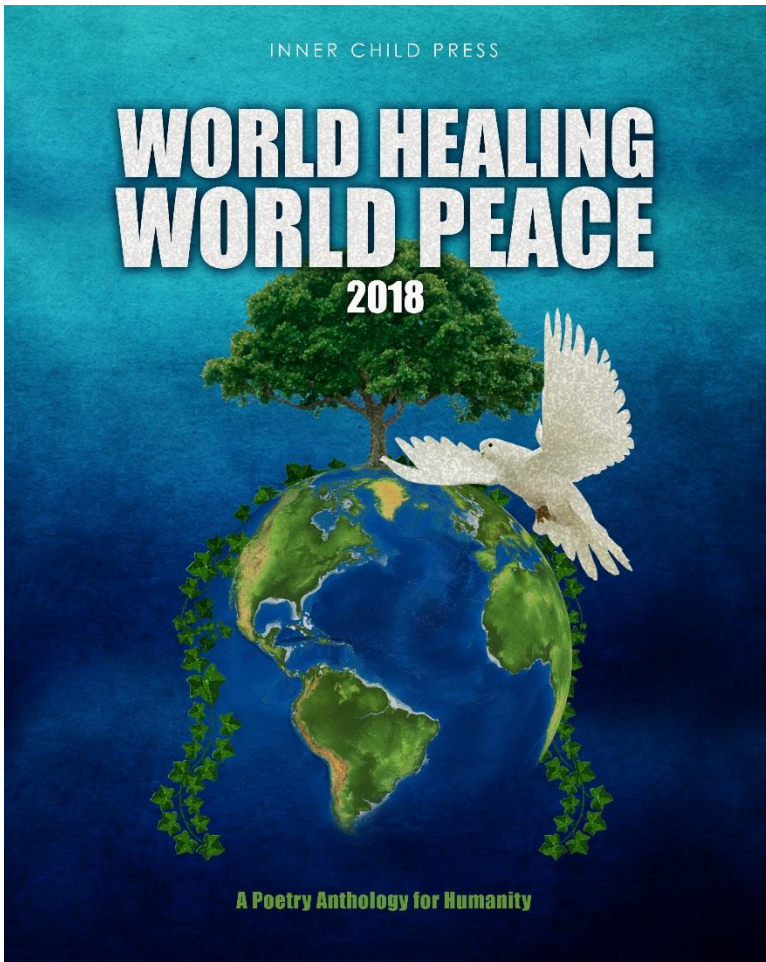


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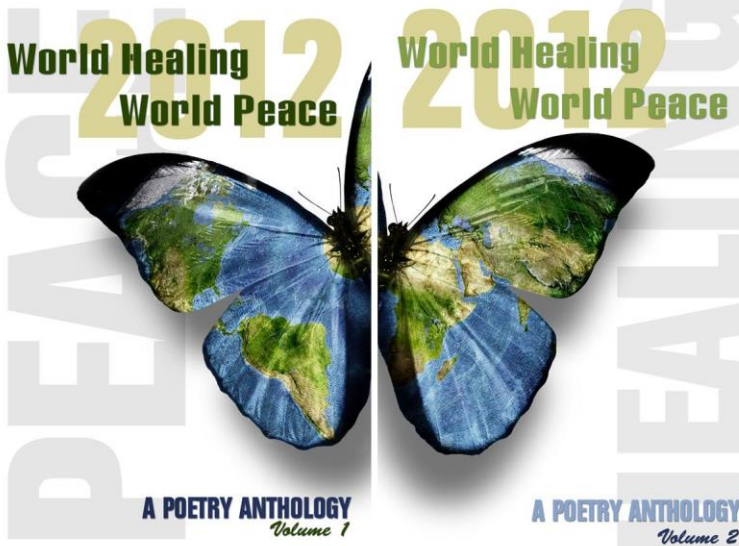
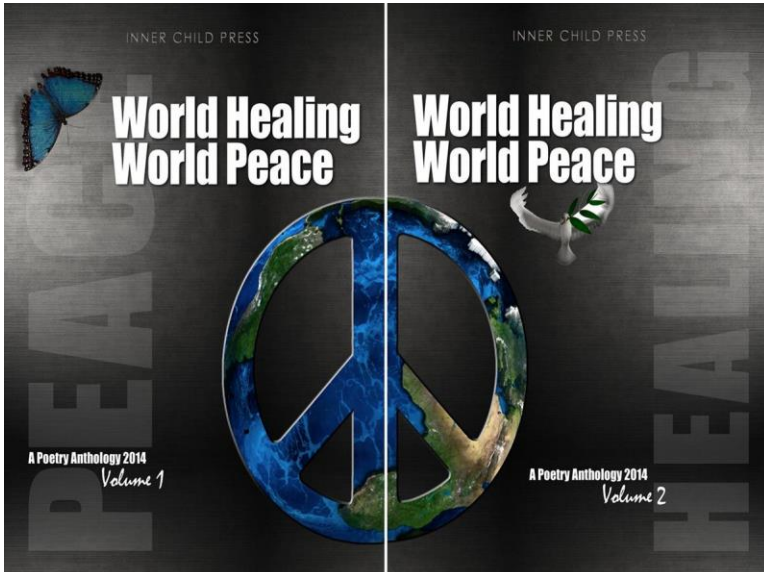
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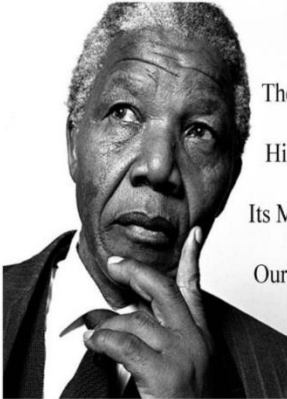
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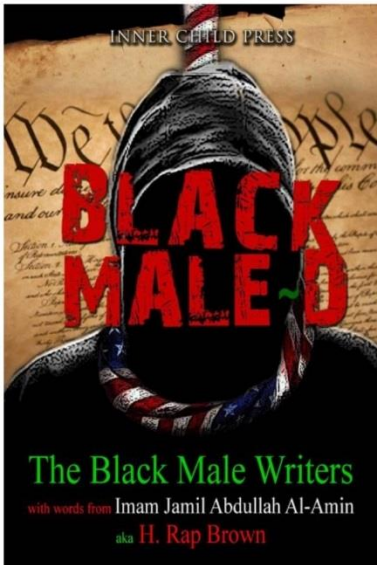
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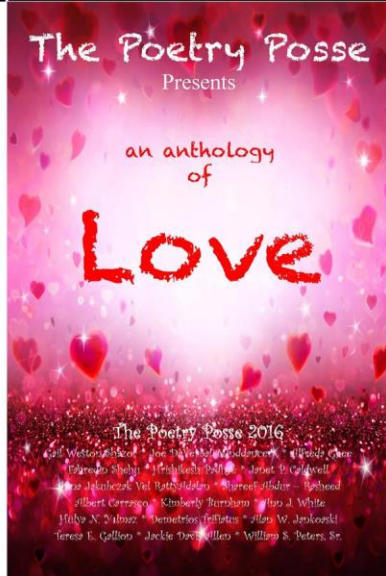
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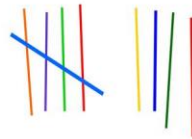
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Alicia C. Cooper & Hülya Yılmaz

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Sweet Pea

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Lily of the Valley

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Love & Relationship

Rose

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Shamelle McLin
Jacqueline D. E. Kennedy
Abraham N. Benjamin

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Christiana A. V. Williams
Dr. John R. Strum
Kolage Olanrewaju Freedom



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Lotus
Asian Flower of the Month

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Gladiolus



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Aster Morning-Glory



Wild Garden of September Birthday Flower

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Red Poppy



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Ceri Naz • RaJendra Padri • Elizabeth Castillo

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Chrysanthemum



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Jocelyn Roseman • Jackie Allen • James Moore • Neville Hiatt

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Narcissus



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Amethyst

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Iram Fatima • Bob McNeil • Kerstin Centervall

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Heung Sook • Anthony Arnold • Alicia Poland

Bloodstone



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Diamonds



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Emeralds

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June's Featured Poets
Anahit Arustamyan * Yvette D. Murrell * Regina A. Walker




Pearl

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The Featured Poets for July 2015
Abbhik Shome * Christina Neal * Robert Neal



Rubies

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Peridot

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Gayle Howell
Ann Chalasiz
Christopher Schultz



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Opal



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Bismay Mohanty
James Moore




Topaz

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Kerione Bryan * Michelle Joan Barulich * Neville Hiatt



Turquoise

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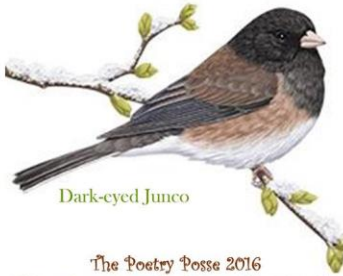
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Dark-eyed Junco

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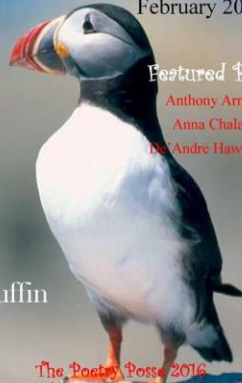
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Featured Poets

Anthony Arnold
Anna Chalas
Dr. Andre Hawthorne



Puffin

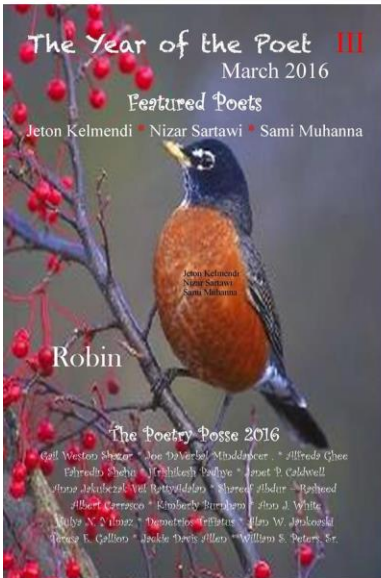
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Featured Poets

Jeton Kelmendi * Nizar Sartawi * Sami Muhanna



Robin

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Featured Poets

Ali Abdolrezaei
Anna Chalas
Agim Vinca
Ceri Naz



Black Capped Chickadee

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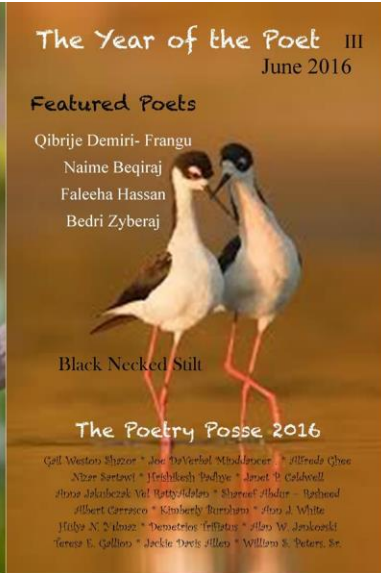


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Barbara Allan
D.L. Davis

Oriole

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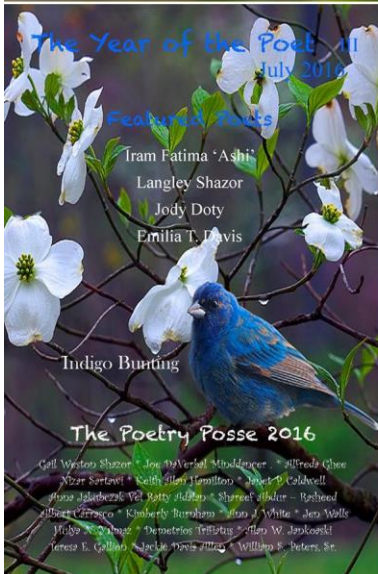


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Qibrije Demiri- Frangu
Naime Beqiraj
Faleeha Hassan
Bedri Zyberaj

Black Necked Stilt

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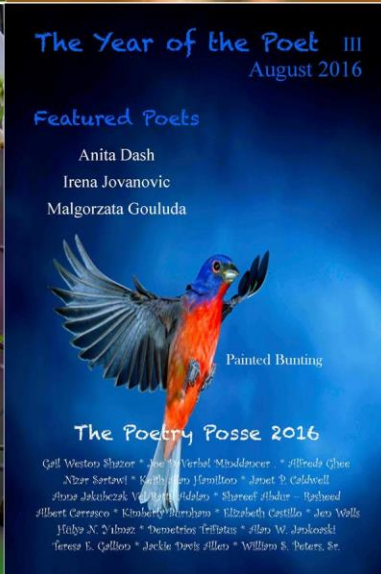


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Iram Fatima 'Ashi'
Langley Shazor
Jody Doty
Emilia T. Davis

Indigo Bunting

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Featured Poets
Anita Dash
Irena Jovanovic
Malgorzata Gouluda

Painted Bunting

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Albert Carrasco * Kimberly Burroughs * Elizabeth Castillo * Jen Walls
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Long Billed Curlew

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Featured Poets
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James Moore

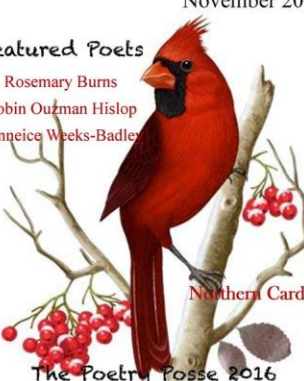


Barn Owl

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Featured Poets
Rosemary Burns
Robin Ouzman Hislop
Lonneice Weeks-Badler




Northern Cardinal

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Featured Poets
Samih Masoud
Mountassir Aziz Bien
Abdulkadir Musa



Rough Legged Hawk

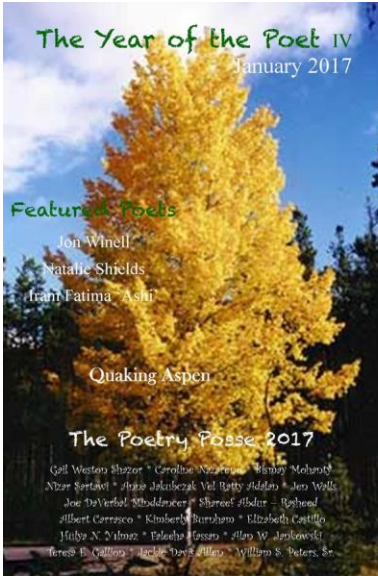
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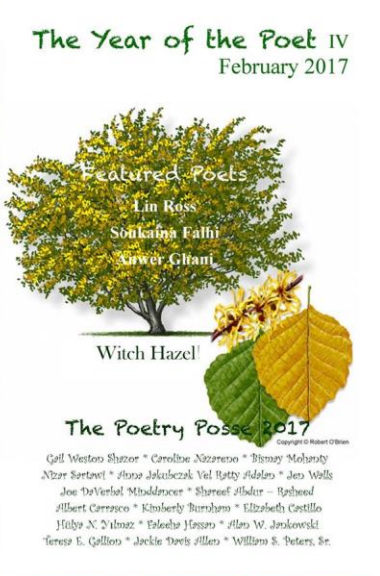


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Jon Winell
Natale Shields
Fran Fatima Ashi

Quaking Aspen

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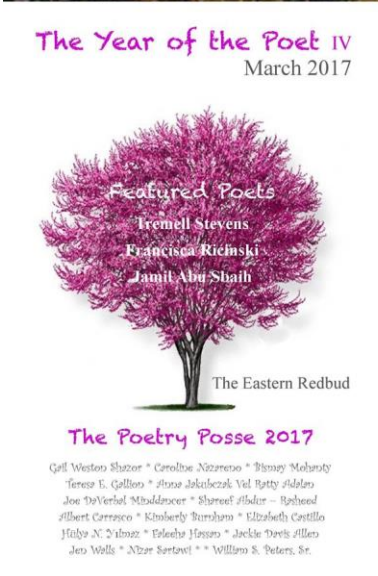


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Lin Ross
Sobkaina Falhi
Gower Ghani

Witch Hazel

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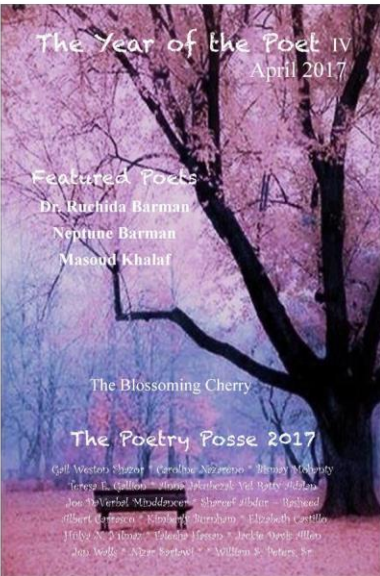


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Francisca Ricinski
Jamil Abu Shaib

The Eastern Redbud

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Neptune Barman
Masoud Khalaf

The Blossoming Cherry

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The Flowering Dogwood Tree



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Fethi Sassi

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Eliza Segiet
Tze-Min Tsai
Abdulla Issa

The Linden Tree

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Anca Mihaela Bruma
Ibaa Ismail
Zvonko Taneski

The Oak Moon

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Jonathan Aquino
Kitty Hsu
Langley Shazor

The Hazelnut Tree

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The Elm Tree

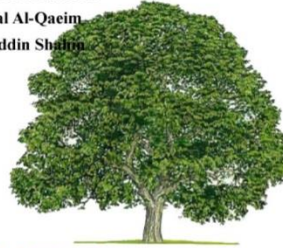
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Featured Poets

Ahmed Abu Saleem
Nedal Al-Qaeim
Sadeddin Shahrin



The Black Walnut Tree

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Featured Poets

Kay Peters
Alfreda D. Ghee
Gabriella Garofalo
Rosemary Cappello



The Tree of Life

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Featured Poets

Justice Clarke
Mariel M. Pabroa
Kiley Brown



The Fig Tree

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Yasmeen Hamzeh
Ali Abdolrezaei




Aksum

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Sabeen



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Anna Szawracka
Abhilipsa Kuanar
Aanika Acry

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Cassandra Swan
Jaleel Khazaal
Shazia Zaman

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Sonia Abu-Lays
Suzanne Belcher
Nathan Dean
Nancy Hoagmy

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Sylvia K. Malinowska
Laudita Ahmeti
Ofelia Prodan

The Sumerians




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Bilal Maliqi * Daim Miftari * Gojko Božović * Sofija Živković

The Paleo Indians



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Patnaja Iyengar-Paddy
Mohammad Ikhbal Hary
Eliza Seget
Tom Higgins

Oceania




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Hussein Habasch * Mircea Dan Duta * Naida Mujkić * Swagat Das

The Lapita



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Eliza Segiet
Mazher Hussain Abdul Ghani
Lily Swarn

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Alicia Minjarez * Lonnie Weeks-Badley
Lopamudra Mishra * Abdelwahed Souayah



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Featured Poets

Michelle Joan Barulich * Monsif Beroual
Krystyna Konecka * Nassira Nezzar

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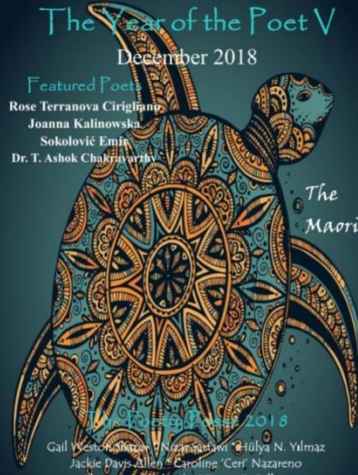
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Featured Poets

Rose Terranova Cirigliano
Joanna Kalinowska
Sokolović Emily
Dr. T. Ashok Chakravarti



The
Maori

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Anthony Briscoe
Iram Fatima 'Ashi'
Dr. K. K. Mathew

Dream Catcher

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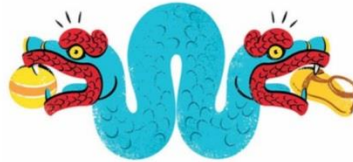
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Featured Poets

Marek Lukaszewicz * Bharati Nayak
Aida G. Roque * Jean-Jacques Fournier



Meso-America

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Featured Poets

Enesa Mahmić * Sylwia K. Malinowska
Shurouk Hammoud * Anwer Ghani



The Caribbean

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DL Davis * Michelle Joan Barulich
Lulëzim Haziri * Falecha Hassan



Central & West Africa

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Wahab Sherif * Abdul Razzaq Al Ameer




Asia Southeast Asia and Maritime Asia

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Iwu Jeff * Mohamed Abdel Aziz Shmeis



Arctic Circumpolar


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Saadeddin Shahin * Andy Scott
Fahredin Shehu * Alok Kumar Ray


The Horn of Africa




Ethiopia



Djibouti



Somalia



Eritrea

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Monalisa Dash Dwibedy * Mbizo Chirasha



Southwest Asia

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Ngozi Olivia Osooha * Denisa Kondić
Pankhuri Sinha * Christena AV Williams




The Mile Valley
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Featured Poets
Rozalia Aleksandrova * Orbindu Ganga
Simriti Ranjan Mohanty * Sofia Skleida




Northern Asia
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Featured Poets
Rahim Karim (Karimov) * Sujana Paul
Bharati Nayak * Kapardeli Efbichia



Oceania
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Andy Scott * Anwer Ghani

1901 Jean Henry Dunant and Frédéric Passy



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Ibrahim Honjo * Claudia Piccinno

Henri La Fontaine ~ 1913



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March 2020

Featured Poets

Aziz Mountassar * Krishna Paraisa
Hannie Rouweler * Rozalia Aleksandrova

Aristide Briand ~ 1926 - Gustav Stresemann



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April 2020

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Robini Behera * Mircea Dan Duta
Monalisa Dash Dwibedy * NilavroNil Shoovro

Carlos Saavedra Lamas ~ 1936



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Franco Barbato * Izabela Zubko

Ralph Bunche ~ 1950



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June 2020

Featured Poets

Elitichia Kapardeli * Metin Cengiz
Hussein Habasch * Kosh K Mathew

Albert John Lutuli ~ 1960



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July 2020

Featured Poets

Mykola Martyniuk * Orbindu Ganga
Roula Pollard * Karn Praktisha

Norman Ernest Borlaug ~ 1970



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August 2020

Featured Poets

Dr Pragma Suman * Chinh Nguyen
Srinivas Vasudev * Ugwu Leonard Ifeanyi, Jr.

Adolfo Pérez Esquivel ~ 1980



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Dr. Brajesh Kumar Gupta • Umid Najari

Mikhail Sergeyevich Gorbachev ~ 1990



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