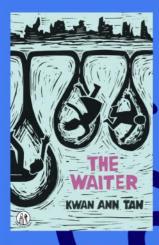
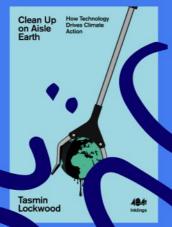
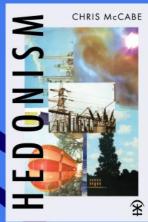
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### All the Lights

Clemens Meyer



¶ See you around, she says, picking up her bag from the bed. I nod and she leaves, ¶ I hear her in the hallway. I haven't got a light out there and it takes her a while to find the door. I turn to face the wall, but she closes the front door very carefully. The leaving, the goodbye, the hand slipping down a shoulder and an arm into thin air, the lying still. And the dreams. The little death. No, death comes later, when you're alone and nobody comes any more. Translated by Katy Derbyshire. Introduced by Stuart Evers.

### **All The Lights**

Clemens Meyer, translated by Katy Derbyshire

# From the twice International Booker Prize finalist Clemens Meyer.

Stories about people who have lost out in life and in love, and about their hopes for one really big win, the chance to make something of their lives. In silent apartments, desolate warehouses, prisons and by the river, **Clemens Meyer** strikes the tone of our harsh times, and finds the grace notes, the bright lights shining in the dark.

And Other Stories | 9781916751309 | £14.99 | 01/07/2025 | Paperback | 256pp | FYT

### **Mate Arias**

Lewis Buxton

# "Become friends with these poems. Your life will thank you." Rishi Dastidar

Mate Arias is **Lewis Buxton**'s love song to his friends, a soaring voice attempting to communicate in a masculine world often punctuated by silence or violence. Muscles are torn, crossword clues are pondered, and pints are lifted as the poet attempts to make sense of his friends and himself, and their often clumsy, physical dances around each other.

The Emma Press | 9781915628404 | £7.99 | 10/07/2025 | Paperback | 36pp | DCF

### Chilco

Daniela Catrileo and translated by Jacob Edelstein

# One of the 'most anticipated books of 2025' (Dua Lipa's Service95).

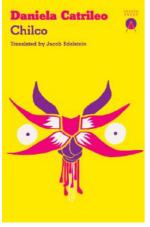
Chilco imagines a near-future world unraveling under the weight of colonialism and ecological collapse. As Marina and Pascale flee a crumbling city for the lush island of Chilco, they find no refuge. Blending indigenous cosmology with dystopian lyricism, this is a haunting meditation on memory, resistance, and the wounds that refuse to heal.

Charco Press | 9781917260145 | £11.99 | 15/07/2025 | Paperback | 212pp | FA

### Mate Arias



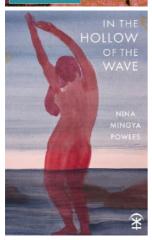
Lewis Buxton



### Girlbeast

Cecilie Lind

# An Anthotogy of Poetry, Story and Art by Women from Romania, Traviller and Normatic.



### **Girlbeast**

Cecilie Lind and translated by Hazel Evans

# A bold, literary reimagining of the Lolita narrative.

In a world that fetishises girlhood, it asks whether a girl be blamed for internalising the roles imposed upon her? Can she wield her youth as power in a system designed to render her powerless? Brave, provocative, and unflinching, Girlbeast is a gripping, vital novel for our times.

Prototype Publishing | 9781913513771 | £12.00 | 17/07/2025 | Paperback | 164pp | FA

### Kin

Edited by Raine Geoghegan and consultant editor Fiona Bolger

# Roma, Traveller, and nomadic women reclaim their stories with fierce pride.

In this important anthology of poetry and art, Roma, Traveller and women of various nomadic identities are summoned to witness the stirring expressions of their sisters, bold testaments to the endurance and ingenuity of the voices of those often marginalised.

Salmon Poetry | 9781915022707 | £15.00 | 18/07/2025 | Paperback | 192pp | DCQ

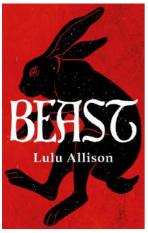
### In the Hollow of the Wave

Nina Mingya Powles

# Forward Prize shortlisted poet returns with a second collection tracing family, memory and art.

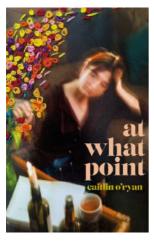
The second collection by **Nina Mingya Powles**, examines orientalism, art and artmaking in a time of ecological crisis. Influenced by the lives of women artists, and combining textile art, collage and poetry, these precise, remarkable poems reflect on the material of living, the thread of stories and memories held within fabrics and garments.

Nine Arches Press | 9781916760226 | £11.99 | 24/07/2025 | Paperback | 96pp | DCF



# Dreaming of Dead People

¶ I can be Robin Hood, or his doppelganger Hobbehode, at any moment of the day: pausing. I raise my eyes, and am in the fourteenth century. It's a version of galloping horses along verges and beside railway trains. On my sixth birthday, we had a fancy dress party: no marks for guessing who I was. Introduced by Gabriet Josipovici.



### **Beast**

Lulu Allison

# The hotly anticipated new novel from the Women's Prize for Fiction longlisted author of Salt Lick.

Eve, a young self-taught musician sits on a bench overlooking the grassy crossroads of a model village. She is dreaming of the power of music. Her dreams reach into the cosmos, summoning Demon and his rabbit familiar. Eve longs to harness the divine in service of her music. But will she instead make a deal with Demon for worldly success?

Bluemoose Books | 9781915693327 | £12.00 | 31/07/2025 | Paperback | 262pp | FA

### **Dreaming of Dead People**

Rosalind Belben and introduction by Gabriel Josipovici

# A nuanced and raw exploration of the rich inner life and sexual awakening of a solitary woman.

In the 'middle of life' – although this is only thirty-six – and with the unsparing eye of a portraitist, Lavinia reviews her frustrations and her solitariness, the grief and the rapture. The idiosyncratic *Dreaming of Dead People* was first published in 1979, yet remains as surprising as ever: it is frank, mordantly funny, true to itself and raw.

And Other Stories | 9781916751316 | £14.99 | 05/08/2025 | Paperback | 144pp | FA

### **At What Point**

Caitlin O'Ryan

# From Outlander Actress, Caitlin O'Ryan, comes an unforgettable poetry collection.

Caitlin O'Ryan's debut collection is a journey of mirror smashing and everything we have come to accept being called into question. Her poems vibrate through the pages with a sense of urgency that says "you are not alone, I also feel this". The title poem has amassed millions of views online and featured on BBC Woman's Hour.

Burning Eye Books | 9781913958503 | £10.99 | 07/08/2025 | Paperback | 100pp | DCF

## Night of the Living Rez



¶ Winter, and I walked the sidewalk at night along banks of hard snow. I'd come from Rab's apartment off the reservation. Rab—this white guy with a wide mouth and eyes that closed up when he laughed sold pot. He was all no-bullshit too.





### **Night of the Living Rez**

Morgan Talty

# A multi-award winning collection of gritty and tender interconnected stories.

In these striking, luminescent stories – full of searing humour, abiding compassion, and deep insight – **Morgan Talty** brings to life a community coming to terms with its painful past and uncertain future. *Night of the Living Rez* is an unforgettable portrayal of Indigenous community, whose arrival heralded a stand-out talent in contemporary fiction.

And Other Stories | 9781916751187 | £14.99 | 07/08/2025 | Paperback | 288pp | FA

### On Earth As It Is Beneath

Ana Paula Maia and translated by Padma Viswanathan

# An electrifying novel in translation exploring the male brutality of men hunting men.

On land once scarred by slavery, a remote prison promised reform but delivered only suffering. As it nears closure, a sinister ritual begins: inmates are released under the full moon to be hunted by armed wardens. **Ana Paula Maia**'s haunting novel explores the enduring legacy of violence and the devastating cost of societal neglect and inaction.

Charco Press | 9781917260107 | £11.99 | 12/08/2025 | Paperback | 112pp | FK

### The Infernal Garden

Gregory Leadbetter

# Bewitching book of science, art and magic from prize-winning poet.

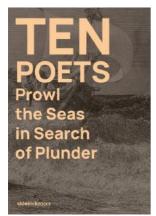
In The Infernal Garden, **Gregory Leadbetter**'s poetry leads us into dark, verdant places where the human meets the more-than-human. This liminal garden of death and rebirth responds to ecological crisis with lyric and mythic force. Language becomes both disquieting and healing, drawing us to the shared roots of art, science, and magic.

Nine Arches Press | 9781916760240 | £11.99 | 14/08/2025 | Paperback | 72pp | DCF





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### Restoration

Ave Barrera and translated by Ellen Jones and Robin Myers

# A sunburned ghost story from a break out novelist.

Propelled by female desire, shaped by the violence of the male gaze, and inspired by old stories remade anew, Restoration is a novel of obsession, reclamation, and romance gone wrong. Hired to restore her maybeboyfriend's family home, Jasmina awakens the lives of women before her, and the secrets sealed in the last locked room.

Charco Press | 9781917260022 | £11.99 | 26/08/2025 | Paperback | 258pp | FK

### **Makeshift**

Sarah Campion and introduction by Diana Wichtel

# "A splended and disturbing novel." Liverpool Daily Post

A fascinating and long-forgotten novel about the experiences of a German Jewish woman from the end of the First World War to the mid-1930s, her growing awareness of the rise of Nazism and her search for a home as a refugee. The story of the struggle to establish an identity in an unstable and intolerant world, told in an unforgettable voice.

UEA Publishing Project | 9781915812483 | £14.99 | 29/08/2025 | Paperback | 230pp | FC

### Ten Poets Prowl the Seas in Search of Plunder

Edited by Kirsten Irving and Jon Stone

### Yo ho ho, and a shottle of rhyme!

They're done with the land, its reckless rulers and unjust laws! Now, ten poets set sail under the brave black flag – as pirate queens, gentleman corsairs and salty dogs, to sing shanties most wickedly and scour for treasure. What kind of treasure? The kind that plants its pearly glimmer deep beyond the velvet lining of the heart and head.

Sidekick Books | 9781909560406 | £8.00 | 01/09/2025 | Paperback | 120pp | DCQ





Rachel Grosvenor

### Tradition, religious conflict, and hidden power...

From the author of *The Finery* comes a blazing feminist tale of persecution and magic. In medieval Locklear, Agnes hides a dangerous secret, she can touch fire unharmed. As war looms and whispers of witchcraft grow, a desperate bargain leads to accusation. In a world that fears female power, can Agnes forge her own fate?



### **The Great Henna Party**

Humera Malik and illustrated by Sonali Zohra

# A celebration of the age-old South Asian tradition of painting with henna.

Noor's cousin is getting married, and tonight is the henna party - full of songs, treats, and swirling designs. Noor can't wait to play the henna name game, where the artist hides the name of the person she loves most. But how can she choose just one? A heartwarming story of family love and South Asian tradition.



Lantana Publishing | 9781836290230 | £7.99 | 02/09/2025 | Paperback | 32pp | YBC

### **Mama's Special Wonton Soup**

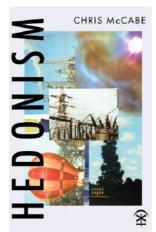
Wai Mei Wong and illustrated by Xin Yue Zhu

# A warm, culturally authentic portrayal of village life in Southern China.

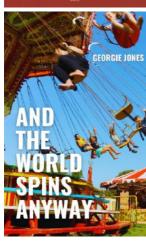
On her way to buy ingredients for wonton soup, a young girl in a Southern Chinese village greets neighbours who each gift her something special. By the time she returns, her basket overflows. What will she and her mama do with it all? A charming tale of cooking, sharing, and the gentle rhythms of rural life.



Lantana Publishing | 9781915244901 | £7.99 | 04/09/2025 | Paperback | 32pp | YBC







### **Hedonism**

Chris McCabe

# How the past haunts the present, exploring language, place, grief and connection.

Join a carnival of characters including Bez from Happy Mondays, Jorge Louis Borges and a medieval pilgrim on a journey to buy a PlayStation, in **Chris McCabe**'s sixth and most daring collection. Part-written in Scouse dialect and invented languages, *Hedonism* offsets the comic with the elegiac in a haunting and polyphonic work exploring the intersection of grief, place, memory and imagination.

Nine Arches Press | 9781916760264 | £11.99 | 04/09/2025 | Paperback | 72pp | DCF

### Woman, Idle

Laura Vogt and translated by Caroline Waight

# Silent truths unravel as three women confront friendship, motherhood, and identity.

In the Swiss mountains, Romi and Szibilla visit Nora's childhood home, where their friend has retreated into silence. Over five uneasy days, their shared past stirs insecurities about friendship, motherhood, and identity. Told in alternating voices, Woman, Idle blends daily-life reflection with suspense, asking: What kind of women have I become? What kind do I want to be?

Héloïse Press | 9781738459445 | £12.95 | 09/09/2025 | Paperback | 294pp | FA

### **And the World Spins Anyway**

Georgie Jones

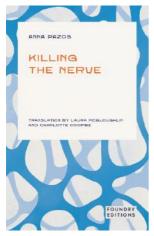
# A heart warming poetry debut from poet and comedienne Georgie Jones.

In this debut collection of poetry, stories and questionable choices, **Georgie Jones**, with her signature wit and warmth, explores the exquisite messiness of modern existence and makes the chaos feel, somehow, like home. She can't promise any answers, but she can make you feel a little less alone in not having them.

Burning Eye Books | 9781913958510 | £10.99 | 09/09/2025 | Paperback | 100pp | DCF







### The Rock of The Land

Ahmed Val Dine and translated by Mbarek Sryfi

# A powerful account of Afghanistan's resistance and resilience.

In The Rock of the Land, Ahmad Vall Dine draws on his experience as a war journalist to trace Afghanistan's history from the Soviet invasion to the U.S. withdrawal. Blending research with personal accounts, he reveals the human cost of war and the resilience of a nation that has long stood firm against empire.

DarArab | 9781788711081 | £12.00 | 11/09/2025 | Paperback | 176pp | HBW

### **Wild Running**

Natalie Ann Holborow

# A creative and inspirational guide to running and well-being by a prize-winning poet.

In Wild Running, poet and runner **Natalie Ann Holborow** shares 14 circular trails around South Wales, all within an hour of Swansea or Cardiff. More than a guidebook, it blends practical tips with lyrical reflections on culture, nature, and well-being. Whether novice or veteran, readers will find inspiration in running as both physical and creative release.

Seren | 9781781727874 | £12.99 | 15/09/2025 | Paperback | 240pp | WSZ

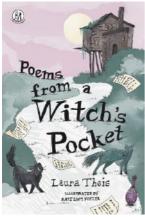
### Killing the Nerve

Anna Pazos and translated by Charlotte Coombe and Laura McGloughlin

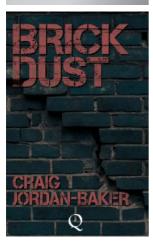
### Catalan Book of the Year.

Not quite autofiction, more like autojournalism, **Anna Pazos**'s book explores the end of youth and the start of adulthood for the global nomad generation. From Barcelona to Thessaloniki, Jerusalem, the Atlantic, and New York, her journey leads back home-where family, Catalan identity, and self-reflection force her to ask where she is, and where she belongs.

Foundry Editions | 9781068693465 | £13.99 | 16/09/2025 | Paperback | 210pp | BGA







URSULA K. LE GUIN

### Poems from a Witch's Pocket

Laura Theis and illustrated by Kate Lucy Foster

### A witchy poetry book for older children.

Nature blends with magic and sometimes more everyday concerns in these soothing, playful, empowering poems. A to-do list for planning a pumpkin party. A blessing for a tiny tree. An identification spell for a bird curse.

Poems from a Witch's Pocket is an eerily enchanting collection aimed at pre-teens but suitable for all ages. Perfect for all aspiring hovel witches!

The Emma Press | 9781915628428 | £9.99 | 18/09/2025 | Paperback | 80pp | YDP

### So Far So Good

Ursula K. Le Guin

# Ursula K. Le Guin's final poetic journey into mortality, myth, and the mysteries beyond.

This elegiac collection of poems, completed shortly before **Ursula K. Le Guin**'s death in 2018, reflects on the soul, mortality and the mysteries beyond. Weaving together rich sounds, echoes of myth and her vivid sense of our place in the natural world, *So Far So Good* walks between the knowable and the unknown with characteristic insight and courage.

Silver Press | 9781068591822 | £13.99 | 25/09/2025 | Paperback | 92pp | DCF

### **Brick Dust**

Craig Jordan-Baker

# A darkly comic, multi-layered family saga about memory, identity, and the stories we cling to.

This sprawling saga of family and class is told by an enigmatic narrator, a hoarder of documents, who is trying to lay out a history of the Nacullian family. As the jumble of their lives is pieced together we witness them migrate, marry, work up library fines, die, build bridges and Morris dance. Brick Dust is a comedic tale about the struggle to make something solid, when all we have is dust.

époque press | 9781068716232 | £9.99 | 25/09/2025 | Paperback | tbcpp | FA

# Ola Julian ORISSA

### Orissa

Ola Julén and translated by Duncan J. Lewis and Ali Amidi

# "... a despair so sincere that it becomes comforting."

First published in 1999, Orissa is the only collection **Ola Julén** released in his lifetime and has become a cult classic of Scandinavian poetry. Stark, intimate, and unflinching, it distills despair, tenderness, and emotional candour. A profound meditation on grief and language, this long-awaited English edition introduces a singular voice to world poetry.

Nordisk Books | 9781836881919 | £10.99 | 25/09/2025 | Paperback | 176pp | DCF



David Lambert

# A gripping psychological drama unravelling colonial legacies and complex human bonds.

White British couple Hugh and Julia Pennington buy a former church on a Caribbean island. When their estate agent vanishes, they accept a ride from Horatio, a charismatic local who soon becomes central to their lives. As past horrors of slavery resurface, this tense psychological drama explores race, power, and the fragile dynamics of marriage and communication.

Peepal Tree Press | 9781845235970 | £10.99 | 25/09/2025 | Paperback | 248pp | FA

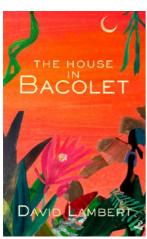
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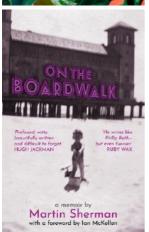
Martin Sherman and foreword by Ian McKellen

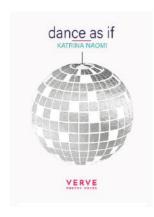
# "A master of the telling phrase and the unforgettable image." The Times

In this candid and sharply observed memoir, **Martin Sherman** traces his journey from 1930s New Jersey to Broadway, where Bent premieres starring Richard Gere. Along the way, he navigates theatre, sexuality, and a narcissistic father. With wit and honesty, Sherman reflects on ambition, identity, and illness in a life shaped by art and survival.

Inkandescent | 9781912620357 | £14.99 | 25/09/2025 | Paperback | 276pp | BM







### dance as if

Katrina Naomi

# A celebration of movement, friendship and reclaiming the body through poetry.

Katrina Naomi's dance as if is a celebration of movement and the body—without shame or self-criticism. Emerging from a collaboration with dancer Kyra Norman, these poems explore dance as a path to healing after sexual violence. Embracing female friendship and physical joy, this powerful collection reclaims balance, voice, and the sustaining energy of the self.

Verve Poetry Press | 9781913917845 | £8.99 | 25/09/2025 | Paperback | 36pp | DCF

### Celeste

Colette Snowden

# New from the author of The Secret To Not Drowning.

A 17 year old woman doesn't return home from a night out. Four witnesses relate their interactions with her the day she disappears as we try to understand why she's gone and if she'll ever return.



Celeste

Bluemoose Books | 9781915693358 | £10.99 | 25/09/2025 | Paperback | tbcpp | FA

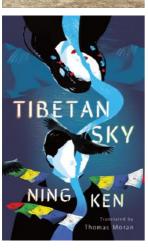
### **Tibetan Sky**

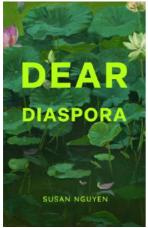
Ning Ken and translated by Thomas Moran

### Souls buried underneath the Tibetan sky.

Leaving behind his failed marriage in Beijing, disillusioned academic Wang Mojie seeks meaning in Lhasa, Tibet. Instead, he finds Ukyi Lhamo. The soul of every party, she hides an inner rootlessness as she searches for her grandmother, the key to her lost heritage. As Wang Mojie's perversions resurface, can they bond over what they mutually lack?

ACA Publishing | 9781838905934 | £15.99 | 26/09/2025 | Hardback | 424pp | FA





### **Dear Diaspora**

Susan Nguyen

### An unflinching poetic journey through grief, identity, and the Vietnamese diaspora.

Dear Diaspora is an unapologetic reckoning with history, memory, and grief. Through lyric, documentary, and epistolary poems, we follow Suzi as she navigates girlhood, diaspora, and intergenerational trauma. Winner of the Prairie Schooner Book Prize, this powerful collection explores identity, loss, and the refugee experience with candour, complexity, and a voice both intimate and fierce. the87press | 9781068751516 | £14.99 | 29/09/2025 |

Paperback | 65pp | DCF



Malachi Whitaker

### Sharp, funny, and quietly radical, from one of the 20th century's most overlooked literary voices.

Decades ahead of its time, And So Did I redefined the memoir with sharp observation, candid self-reflection, and irrepressible humour. Opening with the absurdity of being hit by a car and walking away, Whitaker recounts a year of encounters and incidents that reveal his resilient spirit and deep insight into human guirks, charm, and vulnerability.

UEA Publishing Project | 9781915812742 | £14.99 | 30/09/2025 | Paperback | tbcpp | BM



Suzanne Treister

### A visionary tarot deck exploring the mystical, political and technological forces shaping our planetary future.

The HEXEN 5.0 Tarot presents a critical, historical and mystical exploration of new global developments in terrestrial and interplanetary technologies; Al, science and communications, corporate and governmental forces, the ecosystem and climate crisis.

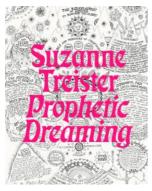
> cosmogenesis | 9781068765711 | £49.99 | 01/10/2025 | Paperback | VXFC1











Created by Suzanne Treister and contributions by Lars Bang Larsen, Patricia Domínguez Claro, VAL RAVAGLIA, and Jessie Robertson

Suzanne Treister (b. 1958) has been a pioneer of digital and new media art since the late 1980s. Her long-form projects reimagine taxonomies and histories to uncover hidden forces - corporate, military, or paranormal. Copublished by Modern Art Oxford and cosmogenesis, this comprehensive overview accompanies her retrospective Prophetic Dreaming (4 Oct 2024 – 25 Jan 2025).

> cosmogenesis | 9781068765742 | £28.99 | 01/10/2025 | Paperback | 256pp | AGB

### Gwrachod Cymru | Welsh Witches

Efa Lois and introduction by Juliette Wood

### A visually striking, culturally rich guide to the witches of Wales.



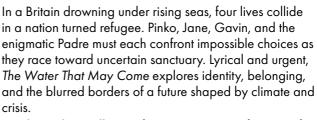
Gwrachod Cymru | Welsh Witches is a richly illustrated guide to the witches of Wales. Drawing on extensive research, Efa Lois brings figures from folklore, history, and contemporary culture vividly to life. With an essay by folklorist Juliette Wood, the book explores recurring themes and what Welsh witch stories reveal about women and societal attitudes through time.

Seren | 9781781727904 | £14.99 | 01/10/2025 | Paperback | 240pp | VXWT

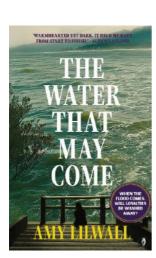
### The Water That May Come

Amy Lilwall

### A gripping climate drama about survival, sacrifice and the meaning of home.



Fly on the Wall Press | 9781915789440 | £12.99 | 01/10/2025 | Paperback | 320pp | FA



Efa Lois

### **Step Into My Shoes**

Alkisti Halikia, illustrated by Fotini Tikkou, and translated by Konstantine Matsoukas

# A little girl takes the expression "to step into someone's shoes" literally in this delightful story.

On her walk home, Matou tries on shoes outside a mosque and imagines the lives of their owners. When her mum misses an afternoon together, Matou steps into her shoe, literally, and begins to understand her better. A tender story about empathy, imagination, and what it means to walk in someone else's shoes.

Lantana Publishing | 9781915244963 | £7.99 | 07/10/2025 | Paperback | 32pp | YBC

### Magadh

Shrikant Verma and translated by Rahul Soni

# A modern classic of Indian poetry now in a landmark English translation

Magadh (1984) is **Shrikant Verma**'s modern Hindi poetry classic. Through stark, allusive voices - commoners, wanderers, statesmen - it recounts the rise and fall of ancient Indian kingdoms. **Rahul Soni**'s faithful translation preserves the haunting cadence of Verma's verses, revealing their enduring relevance and piercing insights into corruption, guilt, and arrogance.

And Other Stories | 9781916751330 | £14.99 | 07/10/2025 | Paperback | 144pp | DCF

### La Lucha

Edited by Carolina Orloff

# Voices of resistance and revolution from the heart of Latin America's feminist fight.

La Lucha brings together 30 voices, artists, scholars, and activists from 17 countries, fighting for women's rights in Latin America. Tackling patriarchy, femicide, and identity across class, colour, and culture, their feminist struggles are diverse yet united. Their tireless solidarity has driven transformative change in reproductive health, environmentalism, anti-colonialism, and human rights.

Charco Press | 9781917260169 | £14.99 | 07/10/2025 | Paperback | 432pp | J

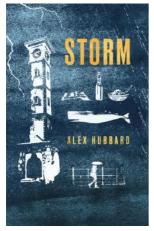


Magadh Shrikant Verma



¶ Listen horseman, where's Magadh? ¶ I've come ¶ from Magadh ¶ I must go to ¶ Magadh ¶ Where ¶ do I turn?¶ North or south. ¶ east or west? ¶ ¶ Here I see Magadh, ¶ here it disappears...
Translated by Rabul Soni





### Storm

Alex Hubbard

# A deeply felt and quietly uncanny coming-of-age story set against the wild coast of Wales.

At university in storm-lashed Aberystwyth, Josephine hopes to escape her haunted past. A kiss with awkward, earnest Glynn hints at a new beginning, but strange events stir around her. As the town reels, Josephine longs for peace, yet the past refuses to stay buried. It's coming for her, and she can't wish it away.

Seren | 9781911752059 | £10.99 | 08/10/2025 | Paperback | 224pp | FA

### Dad Vs Dad (2nd Ed)

Helen Mort

# A poignant exploration of love, loss, and resilience.

In Dad vs. Dad, Helen Mort documents her father's stroke and recovery through lyric poetry and erasure poems drawn from his beloved chess books. This multimedia hardback explores strategy, struggle, and transformation, mirroring the game of chess and the realities of stroke. Moving and inventive, it's a testament to endurance, memory, and the patterns we seek in crisis.

Verve Poetry Press | 9781913917869 | £12.00 | 09/10/2025 | Hardback | 40pp | DCF

### **Call me Stratos**

Chrysoula Georgoula and translated by Marianna Avouri

# A raw, compelling portrait of masculinity, memory and modern Greek life.

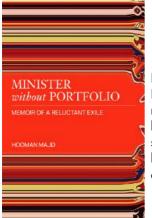
After a bitter divorce, Stratos Achtidis returns to his family home, adrift and disillusioned. Through his eyes, Georgoula explores the shifting landscape of Greek society, economic hardship, migration, and masculinity, with brutal authenticity. A vivid portrait of working-class life and identity, Call Me Stratos is both a personal reckoning and a powerful reflection on modern Greece.

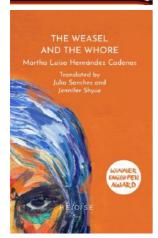
Istros Books | 9781912545520 | £13.99 | 10/10/2025 | Paperback | 230pp | FA











### **Every Time We Say Goodbye**

Ivana Sajko and translated by Mima Simi?

# A searing, poetic journey through violence, memory and migration in modern Europe.

A man flees a violent act, travelling from a coastal town to Berlin. As the train moves, his thoughts unravel, tracing personal and European histories of loss, migration, and hope. Ivana Sajko's stark, lyrical novel explores fractured families, border crises, and memory, with a silver thread of connection. Translated powerfully by Mima Simić, it's a haunting portrait of contemporary Europe.

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### **Minister without Portfolio**

Hooman Majd

# A deeply personal odyssey through exile, identity, and belonging.

From pre-Revolutionary Iran to Island Records and NBC News, Hooman Majd's memoir traces a life of exile, reinvention, and belonging nowhere. With wit and insight, he recounts encounters with diplomats and celebrities, the shadow of revolution, and the search for identity across borders. A vivid, globe-spanning portrait of memory, displacement, and the meaning of home.

Ze Books | 9798988670063 | £25.00 | 13/10/2025 | BC |320pp | BM

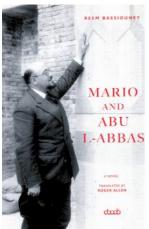
### The Weasel and The Whore

Martha Luisa Hernández Cadenas and translated by Julia Sanches and Jennifer Shyue

# A bold, defiant novel from Cuba's underground, where art, identity and resistance collide.

Mary is a talented artist in Havana's fringe circles, but on Sundays, she's the sex toy of a regime official. Bisexual and alienated from Castroism, she faces social exclusion and searches for a reason to stay. Featuring Havana's underground, this bold novel confronts identity, power, and the cost of belonging.

Héloïse Press | 9781738459452 | £10.95 | 15/10/2025 | Paperback | 157pp | FA





Mr Outside

### Caleb Klaces

### Mario and Abu L-Abbas

Reem Bassiouney and translated by Roger Allen

# A luminous novel of spiritual friendship and historical imagination.

In Mario and Abu L-Abbas, acclaimed Egyptian author Reem Bassiouney reimagines the extraordinary connection between a 20th-century Italian architect and a 13th-century Andalusian Sufi saint. As stories unfold from wartorn Alexandria to medieval Tunisia, the novel explores exile, memory, and the mysteries of divine love.

DarArab | 9781788711104 | £19.00 | 15/10/2025 | Paperback | 414pp | FV

### Palestine is Everywhere

Edited by Skye Arundhati Thomas

A powerful and timely collection of writing, art and resistance that places the Palestinian struggle at the heart of global movements for justice.

'Palestine is everywhere because it names a political subject of radical universal emancipation,' writes teacher and writer Nasser Abourahme. In *Palestine is Everywhere*, writers, thinkers and poets and artists map the Palestinian struggle for freedom and its global resonances.

Silver Press | 9781068240928 | £13.99 | 16/10/2025 | Paperback | tbcpp | DNF

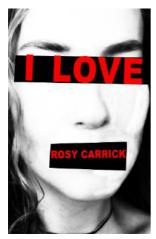
### **Mr Outside**

Caleb Klaces

### From the acclaimed author of Fatherhood.

In Mr Outside, a son visits his reclusive father, a poet slipping into dementia. As they prepare for his move to a care home, old tensions resurface. Told through text and image, this poignant novel explores memory, intimacy, and endings with humour and grace, echoing Sebald, Sontag, and Ferrante in its quiet, profound power.

Prototype Publishing | 9781913513801 | £12.00 | 16/10/2025 | Paperback | 256pp | FA







### **ILOVE**

Rosy Carrick

# A fearless, glitter-streaked dive into memory, desire and the mess of being alive.

In her exoerimental and playful second collection, award-winning poet and playwright **Rosy Carrick** presents a passionate, lyrical and unflinchingly intimate collage of ruptured memory, drowned childhood, irreducible violence, and the intoxicating chimera of inviolable desire.

Burning Eye Books | 9781913958527 | £10.99 | 16/10/2025 | Paperback | 100pp | DCF

### Clean Up on Aisle Earth

Tasmin Lockwood

### The future isn't doomed, it's being redesigned.

Earth is tipping into irreversible crisis, but technology could help pull us back. Journalist Lockwood explores innovations that cut emissions and restore nature, drawing on research and interviews across the climate-tech spectrum. This hopeful, urgent book imagines a fairer, greener world beyond 2050 if we act now, and commit to deploying solutions equitably, before it's too late.

404 lnk | 9781916637184 | £7.50 | 16/10/2025 | Paperback | 112pp | R

### The Word for World

Ursula K. Le Guin and edited by Sarah Shin and So Mayer

# A visionary tribute to Ursula K. Le Guin's worldbuilding through her maps.

When **Ursula K. Le Guin** started writing a new story, she would begin by drawing a map. The Word for World presents a selection of these images by the celebrated author, many of which have never been published before, to consider how her imaginary worlds enable us to reenvision our own.

Silver Press | 9781068591815 | £22.99 | 21/10/2025 | Paperback | 176pp | AGB

### **Freedom Braids**

Monique Duncan and illustrated by Oboh Moses

# A work of historical fiction inspired by enslaved African women in Colombia.

Each braid holds a secret. Enslaved on a sugarcane plantation, Nemy discovers a hidden sisterhood weaving escape maps into their hair. Guided by Big Mother, she dares to dream of freedom. Inspired by true events, this powerful picture book celebrates love, resistance, and legacy in the face of oppression, where every strand becomes a path home.

Lantana Publishing | 9781836290377 | £7.99 | 21/10/2025 | Paperback | 32pp | YBC

### **An Infinite Sadness**

Antônio Xerxenesky and translated by Daniel Hahn

# A haunting meditation on trauma, memory and the quiet ruins of war.

In a Swiss village after WWII, Nicholas tends to minds broken by war while haunted by unseen menace. His wife Anna searches for meaning in particle physics. As past traumas surface, both struggle to inhabit the present. Drawing on text and image, Xerxenesky's profound novel explores memory, intimacy, and the fragile line between reality and delusion.

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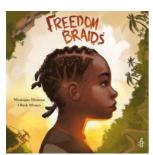
### **Act Normal**

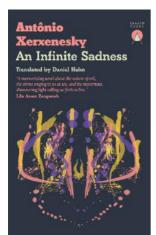
Pete Kalu

# A bold, fragmented memoir that captures a life in all its contradictions.

This is polemical memoir which uses kaleidoscope techniques to sample the life of the author. The text is not chronological yet provides in its sum, a detailed account of the author's biographical, intellectual and emotional life. The full kaleidoscopic whirl of the text delivers a comprehensive sense of the life, sins and sensibilities of the author.

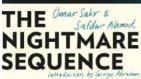
HopeRoad | 9781913109448 | £14.99 | 23/10/2025 | Paperback | 180pp | DNF















### The Nightmare Sequence

Omar Sakr, illustrated by Safdar Ahmed

# An extraordinary collaboration that bears witness to the genocide in Gaza.

The Nightmare Sequence is a searing response to the atrocities in Gaza and beyond since October 2023. Heartbreaking and humane, it is a necessary portrait of the violence committed by Israel and its Western allies. Through poetry and visual art, Omar Sakr and Safdar Ahmed capture these historic injustices, while also critiquing the role of art and media – including their own – in this time.

the87press | 9781068751554 | £18.99 | 31/10/2025 | Paperback | tbcpp | DCF

### **Memory**

Dorothea Lasky

# A luminous and searching meditation on memory, identity and art.

Memory is a cycle of poet's essays exploring personhood, consciousness, and the mysteries of memory—ancestral, personal, and poetic. With clarity and depth, Lasky reflects on trauma, history, Alzheimer's, and the everyday, culminating in a lyrical ars poetica. Inspired by Bernadette Mayer, this expansive collection reveals memory as haunting, nonlinear, and essential to art and identity.

Silver Press | 9781068240911 | £13.99 | 04/11/2025 | Paperback | 320pp | DCF

### The Duke

Matteo Melchiorre and translated by Antonella Lettieri

# An eccentric and playful fable of privilege, land, and legacy in the shadow of the Alps

In a remote Alpine village, the last Cimamonte, known as the Duke, lives in isolation, steeped in family history. When a local threatens his land, he must choose between retreat and confrontation. **Matteo Melchiorre**'s sweeping novel blends 19th-century drama with modern questions of privilege, legacy, and belonging in a richly imagined tale of feud, identity, and place.

Foundry Editions | 9781068693441 | £14.99 | 04/11/2025 | Paperback | 464pp | FA

### Noopiming

The Cure for White Ladies

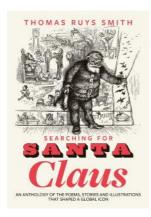
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¶ Mindimooyenh counts their steps in their head. Every day. All day long. They also make lists on scrap paper. cut coupons. shop all the grocery store chains by taking the bus. studying the flyers and buying only what is on special that week. All of their produce comes from the dead-vegetable bin. which is the place in the grocery store where rotten fruit and vegetables are packaged up and sold for a discount. Mindimooyenh calls the specials "bargoons." Nothing makes Mindimooyenh happier than a bargoon.





### **Noopiming: The Cure for White Ladies**

Leanne Betasamosake Simpson

# A poetic and intensely funny reclamation of Indigenous aesthetics.

Join Simpson's quirky cast of seven as they upend colonial myth-making and expose the unnatural strangeness at the heart of settler-capitalism. With warm humour and canny observation, *The Cure for White Ladies* breaks open the self to a world still alive with people, animals, ancestors, and spirits.

And Other Stories | 9781916751354 | £14.99 | 04/11/2025 | Paperback | 368pp | FA

### The Dance and the Fire

Daniel Saldaña París and translated by Christina MacSweeney

A hypnotic novel of memory, desire and destruction, set in a wildfire-stricken Mexico where the past blazes back to life.

In a gripping, atmospheric new novel by acclaimed Mexican writer **Daniel Saldaña París**, three friends forever bound by erotic flames of the past reunite in a city engulfed by wildfires and an ecstatic dancing plague.

Charco Press | 9781917260367 | £11.99 | 04/11/2025 | Paperback | 250pp | FA

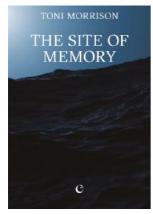
### **Searching for Santa Claus**

Edited by Thomas Ruys Smith

# The definitive anthology tracing Santa Claus from folklore to seasonal icon.

This landmark anthology traces Santa Claus's evolution from humble gift-giver to global icon. Bringing together pivotal stories, poems and images for the first time, it reveals how Santa became central to our seasonal celebrations. A fascinating exploration of memory, myth, and meaning, this collection uncovers the literary and cultural forces behind one of the world's most enduring figures.

UEA Publishing Project | 9781915812841 | £16.99 | 11/11/2025 | Paperback | 288pp | DCQ



### The Site of Memory

Toni Morrison

# A rare and profound essay from Beloved author, Toni Morrison.

In The Site of Memory, **Toni Morrison** explores how imagination and memory shape her writing. Blending literary insight with personal reflection, she reveals fiction as an act of ethical restoration, recovering what history omits. Through ancestral presence, emotion, and image, Morrison uncovers deeper truths, where memory becomes a powerful force of discovery, reverence, and creative magic.

Silver Press | 9781068591891 | £7.99 | 13/11/2025 | Paperback | tbcpp | DNF



Kwan Ann Tan

### Your time is precious. Book a Waiter now.

In a crumbling future London, an unnamed Waiter performs tasks others won't. They queue for your concert tickets, stay in for your deliveries and stir your risotto. With no memory of life before the Company, each job tests their humanity and desire to rediscover the self. Featuring 12 endings, this inventive novel explores queer longing, consumerism, and agency in a fractured city teetering on the edge of collapse.

The Emma Press | 9781915628480 | £10.99 | 13/11/2025 | Paperback | 176pp | FA

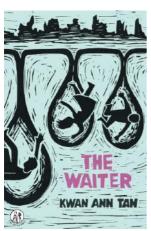


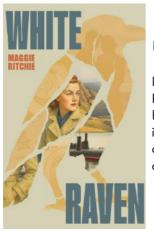
Maggie Ritchie

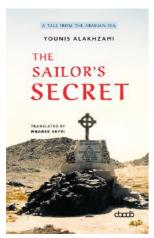
# Inspired by the role Scottish women played in the Cold War during the 1950s.

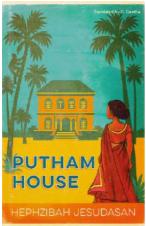
In postwar Britain, Rosie leaves her quiet life to join a Russian language school run by the enigmatic Alex Kuznetsov. But her new role hides a darker purpose. Drawn into a covert mission in the Highlands, Rosie enters a world of secrets and betrayal, where love is a risk, and loyalty could prove fatal.

Scotland Street Press | 9781917881029 | £16.99 | 15/11/2025 | Hardback | 358pp | FHD











### The Sailor's Secret

Younis AlAkhzami and translated by Mbarek Sryfi

# A lyrical tale of shipwrecks, secrets and spiritual journeys, where myth and memory meet.

A storm delivers a mysterious boy to Ras Madrakah, where the sea whispers secrets and rocks seem alive. Sheikh Shaleh believes he's a divine gift. Across the sea, Sophia sends her husband into the desert, chasing signs and buried truths. The Sailor's Secret is a shimmering tale of omens, shipwrecks, and the stories that guide us home.

DarArab | 9781788711067 | £14.00 | 17/11/2025 | Paperback | 300pp | FH

### **Putham House**

Hephzibah Jesudasan and translated by G Geetha

# A quiet, powerful story of resilience, love, and the weight of tradition

As change sweeps her village, Lizzy clings to hope while the men in her family remain idle. Torn between duty and love for a palmyra climber, she faces prejudice and hardship with quiet resilience. **Hephzibah Jesudasan**'s sensitive portrayal of a vanishing way of life makes this a moving, modern classic of spirit, struggle, and survival.

HopeRoad | 9781913109455 | £10.99 | 20/11/2025 | Paperback | 176pp | FYT

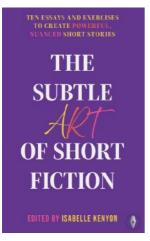
### **But We Did**

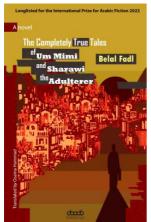
Titilayo Farukuoye

### From the acclaimed Inklings series.

But We Did dismantles the myth of Black helplessness, exposing it as a lie rooted in white supremacy. Farukuoye uncovers erased histories of resistance and challenges the narratives that shape society and harm Black youth. This powerful book offers tools to confront misinformation and imagine a world beyond colonial legacies at home, school, work, and beyond.

404 lnk | 9781916637160 | £7.50 | 27/11/2025 | Paperback | 112pp | H







### The Subtle Art of Short Fiction

Edited by Isabelle Kenyon and introduction by Dr Paul March-Russell

# A must-have book featuring expert essays from renowned authors, top literary editors, and acclaimed critics.

The Subtle Art of Short Fiction explores the power of short fiction in today's fragmented world. Renowned authors and critics offer advanced techniques for crafting nuanced, impactful stories.

Fly on the Wall Press | 9781915789488 | £13.99 | 01/12/2025 | Paperback | 150pp | DSK

### The Completely True Tales of Um Mimi and Sharawi the Adulterer

Belal Fadl and translated by Osama Hammad

# A darkly comic coming-of-age tale from 1990s Cairo.

When a seventeen-year-old flees his violent father for Cairo, he lands in a crumbling flat with a mercurial landlady and her volatile son. Set in the 1990s, The Completely True Tales... is a darkly comic coming-of-age story, longlisted for the International Prize for Arabic Fiction and now in vivid English translation.

DarArab | 9781788711142 | £14.00 | 15/12/2025 | Paperback | 300pp | FA

### Jaguarman

Raoul de Jong and translated by John Eyck

# A personal quest for the power of the jaguar and its meaning for Surinam.

Born to a Dutch mother and a Surinamese father he knows very little about, Raoul is barely thirty years old when he receives the following email: I AM LOOKING FOR MY SON RAOUL DE JONG:):):). From this late meeting with his father, many hopes are born, sometimes disappointed, and as many questions, particularly about his Surinamese ancestry.

HopeRoad | 9781913109547 | £12.99 | 05/01/2026 | BC | 144pp | BM

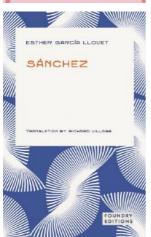
### Landscape with Landscape

Gerald Murnane



¶ I was the only man among nine women. Together we formed a committee of ten. with myself as treasurer. I sat beside the president and the secretary while the seven others ast facing me. I was not comfortable. ¶ I knew none of the women. although all of them lived in my own suburb. The only name I knew was the president's. She had phoned me a few hours before this, the first meeting of the committee, and persuaded me to serve as treasurer.





### Landscape with Landscape

Gerald Murnane

# First UK publication of Nobel Prize candidate Murnane's masterful first short story collection.

These loosely connected stories trace a journey through the suburbs of Melbourne in the 1960s, as the writer negotiates the conflicting demands of Catholicism and sex, self-consciousness and intimacy, alcohol and literature. It is now lauded as some of his best writing, offering a wideranging exploration of the landscapes which make up the imagination of this extraordinary Australian writer.

And Other Stories | 9781916751378 | £14.99 | 13/01/2026 | BC | 336pp | FA

### **Apparitions**

Margo Glantz and translated by Ellen Jones

Two nuns, and one obsessed mother, doing everything thing in their power to achieve communion with the one they love.

Apparitions is a novel of ecstasy pursued, desire transmogrified into devotion, and obedience as a passionately pursued, not entirely free choice. Erotic, and suffused with painting, music, art, it's an incantatory exploration of what it means to abandon the world, and to use your body as a way of coming to know the divine.

Charco Press | 9781917260183 | £11.99 | 20/01/2026 | BC | 128pp | FA

### Sánchez

Esther García Llovet and translated by Richard Village

A nocturnal drift through the margins of Madrid.

In this stark, luminous novel, **Esther García Llovet** traces the uneasy reunion of Nikki and Sánchez, two former lovers adrift in Madrid's shadows. A greyhound delivery plunges them into a surreal night of bingo halls, gas stations, and spectral memories. With clipped prose and haunting dialogue, Sánchez explores absurdity, danger, and beauty in a city untouched by nostalgia.

Foundry Editions | 9781917544009 | £12.99 | 20/01/2026 | BC | tbcpp | FYT

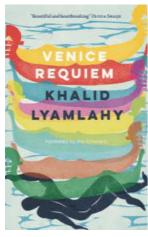
### The Roof Beneath Their Feet

Geetanjali Shree



¶ And was it not on this very rooftop where it all began? Where the children of the mohalla played. copycatting one another and bounding away from the reproofs of adults. Shouting 'times' for no reason. they would run to the skylight to peep, and start giggling nervously. Translated by Rabul Soni





### **Roof Beneath Their Feet**

Geetanjali Shree and translated by Rahul Soni

# A playful and moving masterpiece of psychological intrigue by the International Booker winner.

In this Indian modern classic by the International Booker Prize-winning author, roofs are meant for wild things, for romance and for play. They are realms of freedom – freedom from the male gaze, sexual freedom and freedom from society. Chachcho and Lalna use their roofs to build a friendship that transcends time and memory.

And Other Stories | 9781916751392 | £14.99 | 03/02/2026 | BC | 192pp | FA

### **Ripples in the Lake**

Dong Xi and translated by James Trapp

### Truth hidden in the reflections

Detective Ran Dongdong has two problems: a dead woman with a missing hand, and her husband. Called to the scene near a lakeside hotel, she's drawn into a web of scandal and power. As echoes of the case surface in her own life, she begins to question her marriage, setting off a chain reaction she may not control.

ACA Publishing | 9781838905682 | £13.99 | 31/01/2026 | BC | 384pp | FF

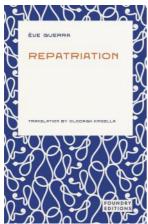
### **Venice Requiem**

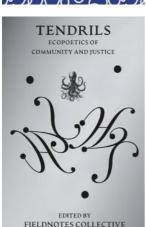
Khalid Lyamlahy and translated by Ros Schwartz

# From the publisher of *Small Boat*, based on a true story.

On 22 January 2017, Pateh Sabally, a 22-year-old Gambian refugee, jumps into Venice's Grand Canal and drowns as onlookers jeer. Outraged, a young Paris-based writer traces Pateh's story. Venice Requiem explores a city where literature confronts modern tragedy, weaving voices like Goldoni, Mann, and Proust into a powerful meditation on humanity and the redemptive power of words.

HopeRoad | 9781913109387 | £12.99 | 05/02/2026 | Paperback | 144pp | FYT







Yuri Felsen trans. Bryan Karetnyk

Winner of an English PEN Award

### Repatriation

Ève Guerra, translated by Clodagh Kinsella

# A powerful debut about grief, memory and the search for truth.

Annabella Morelli, twenty-three, dreams of becoming a poet and lives in Lyon, far from Congo-Brazzaville where she was born to a Franco-Italian father and Congolese mother. A happy childhood ends when her mother leaves. Years later, her father's death forces her to confront family secrets, lies, and deep trauma.

Foundry Editions | 9781917544023 | £13.99 | 10/02/2026 | BC | tbcpp | FYT

### **Tendrils: Ecopoetics of Community and Justice**

Edited by field notes collective

# A global anthology of twenty-five poets weaving grief, joy, and solidarity into visions of kinship.

Tendrils threads through grief, joy and solidarity toward futures shaped by collaboration and care. Reaching through ecological crises, these poems seek new ways of living kinship in the more-than-human world. Bringing together twenty-five poets from around the world, this anthology gathers international voices that entangle, illuminate and resist.

Silver Press | 9781068591853 | £14.99 | 19/02/2026 | BC | tbcpp | DCQ

### **Happiness**

Yuri Felsen, translated by Bryan Karetnyk

### A haunting portrait of love, obsession and exile.

Happiness is the second part of **Yuri Felsen**'s The Recurrence of Things Past trilogy, following the critically acclaimed Deceit, which Prototype published in 2022 to critical acclaim. Both subtle and profound in its exploration of love, art, literature, and human frailty, Felsen's trilogy traces the tormented romance of its protagonist alongside his artistic evolution, standing at the forefront of aesthetic and philosophical currents in European modernism.

Prototype Publishing | 9781913513849 | £12.99 | 26/02/2026 | BC | 280pp | FYT

### Half-Bads in White Regalia

Cody Caetano



¶ Ask any half-bad to tell you the story about how their bad half came to be and they'll probably begin with the buckle. ¶ The buckle is a rumble that hijacks the interior faculties to make one think and act without compunction. The buckle attacks the locus of focus and apes the half-bads best intentions, only to play them like a chump chimp.

### Taiwan Travelogue

Yáng Shuāng-zǐ



¶ "Hold on. What's going on here?" ¶ I couldn't help but voice the thought out loud. ¶ For. in that moment. I seemed to have been transported backinto the midst of Shōkyokusai Tenkatsu's Magic Troupe. ¶ I'd crossed paths with Tenkatsu's troupe long ago. before I'd started high school. They had been on tour. and on the day they arrived in Nagasaki. my aunt Kikuko and I happened upon the opening parade. Translated by Lin King



### Half-Bads in White Regalia

Cody Caetano

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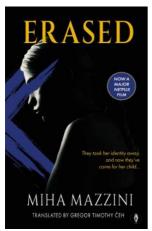
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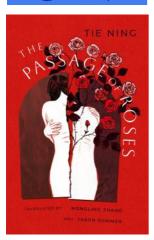
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