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*The Distance Between Us* Carcanet Press  
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A new collection of poetic works by a T. S. Eliot Award-winning writer reflects his grounding in his family home and includes cautionary political pieces, love poems, a play in verse, and a series of "Sabbath Poems" inspired by the author's meditative Sunday morning walks. Reprint.

### **Between the World and Me**

Alfaworldwide

From the author of I Find You In the Darkness, a brand-new book of poetry celebrating strong women and the men they crave I never needed a Man. I needed a Viking. I needed someone who wasn't afraid of my strengths or of my needs. I chose wrong in the past... Beloved contemporary poet Alfa is back with a brand-new collection of more than 180 heartfelt poems on the theme of

woman warriors and the masculine heroes they long for. In gorgeous, compelling, and intimate prose, I Needed a Viking takes us on an emotional journey of a woman searching for strength in the midst of a storm.

### **The Museum of Abandoned Secrets**

Castle Point Books

This wonderful new edition of Poems on the Underground is published to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Underground in 2013. Here 230 poems old and new, romantic, comic and sublime explore such diverse topics as love, London, exile, families, dreams, war, music and the seasons, and feature poets from Sappho to Carol Ann Duffy and Wendy Cope, including Chaucer and Shakespeare, Milton, Blake and Shelley, Whitman and Dickinson, Yeats and

Auden, Seamus Heaney and Derek Walcott and a host of younger poets. It includes a new foreword and over two dozen poems not included in previous anthologies.

*The House of Belonging* Everyman's Library

Derrick Brown's fourth and final collection of poetry and short stories is a unrelenting machine of honesty that has been called his finest collection of new work. *Strange Light* takes us back to the docks, to a violent drama class and boring prom, an undersea conversation with Jacques Cousteau, and into his famous romantic bursts of verse. The epic poem, *Strange Light*, anchors this collection as one of the most inventive and potent collections of modern American poetry. About.com called his

2009 collection *Scandalabra*, one of the best books of the year. Everything hilarious and stirring is illuminated. The power of *Strange Light* is waiting.

*The Earliest Witnesses* Castle Point Books

Bowering delivers poems that blend of personalities, times, and places that add up to an overall substance she sees as happiness.

*The Lioness Awakens* Zondervan

Part of the regionalist movement that included Grant Wood, Paul Engle, Hamlin Garland, and Jay G. Sigmund, James Hearst helped create what Iowa novelist Ruth Suckow called a poetry of place. A lifelong Iowa farmer, Hearst began writing poetry at age nineteen and eventually wrote thirteen books of poems, a novel, short stories, cantatas,

and essays, which gained him a devoted following. Many of his poems were published in the regionalist periodicals of the time, including the *Midland*, and by the great regional presses, including Carroll Coleman's Prairie Press. Drawing on his experiences as a farmer, Hearst wrote with a distinct voice of rural life and its joys and conflicts, of his own battles with physical and emotional pain (he was partially paralyzed in a farm accident), and of his own place in the world. His clear eye offered a vision of the midwestern agrarian life that was sympathetic but not sentimental - a people and an art rooted in place.

**Inside Out & Back Again** Pantheon  
In 2003, television journalist Daryna Goshchynska unearths a worn photograph of Olena Dovgan, a member

of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army killed in 1947 by Stalin's secret police, and unwittingly opens a door to the abandoned secrets of three disparate women.

*The Lady in White* Write Bloody Publishing

*The Birth of All Things* is an eclectic mix of poems from Marcus Amaker, the first Poet Laureate of Charleston, SC. This personal collection delivers poems about a wide range of topics: Life as a new dad, racism in America, Björk, anxiety, Star Wars, masculinity, pandemics, black music, history, and more. Amaker is an award-winning graphic designer, musician, and performance poet. *The Birth of All Things* is the sum of all of his talents. The book features Amaker's handwritten poems, and an original

illustration from Florida artist Nick Davis. *Washington Black* New World Library Abandoned Breaths is the debut poetic collection from Alfa. Between these pages she has gathered the warehouses of the unsaid, and weaved together the voices that have remained silent in our heartbroken hotels. All the abandoned breaths that we hold on to after serving time in heart warfare never really go away. They cling to dusty shelves, tucked into darken chambers among past wreckage; longing to be given life. She has cleaned house and opened musty windows, letting pulsing words breathe and transform into poetic release. The focus of these writings is to give the heart and soul permission to ache after love and loss. The author is unapologetic about her realistic take on

heartache and grieving. She touches on the past, trying to make sense of her experiences, to move forward. This book is filled with timeless and vintage feeling poetry. It will touch every individual heart that reads it, no matter the age group.

#### *Adonais* Unnerving

In this powerful collection of poetry, Creek Indian Joy Harjo explores womanhood's most intimate moments. Professor, poetry award winner, performer, and former member of the National Council on the Arts, Harjo's prose speaks of women's despair, of their imprisonment and ruin at the hands of men and society, but also of their awakenings, power, and love.

#### *Strange Light* Dundurn

To this day, Emily Dickinson remains a

beloved and enigmatic figure in American poetry. This “lady in white,” who shut herself away from the world and found solace alone with her words, has since her death been viewed primarily through the lens of her poetry, which afforded her beauty and hope amid the agony and loneliness of her life. As a reclusive writer himself, contemporary French author Christian Bobin felt a kindred tie to the poetess, and his book *The Lady in White* honors Dickinson in the form of a brief, poetically imagined account of her life and the work that she gave the world. This fresh and personal interpretation of Dickinson’s life leaves one with an impression of knowing Dickinson both through her poetry, as recalled by Bobin, and as he senses the person she was

through her work and the sparse facts we have about her life.

### **Milk and Honey** One World

A contemporary envisioning of a nineteenth-century poem pairs artwork by G. Brian Karas with the Henry Wadsworth Longfellow classic. His brow is wet with honest sweat; He earns whate'er he can, And looks the whole world in the face, For he owes not any man. The neighborhood blacksmith is a quiet and unassuming presence, tucked in his smithy under the chestnut tree. Sturdy, generous, and with sadness of his own, he toils through the day, passing on the tools of his trade, and come evening, takes a well-deserved rest. Longfellow's timeless poem is enhanced by G. Brian Karas's thoughtful and contemporary art in this modern

retelling of the tender tale of a humble craftsman. An afterword about the tools and the trade of blacksmithing will draw readers curious about this age-honored endeavor, which has seen renewed interest in developed countries and continues to be plied around the world.

**House of Leaves** Courier Corporation  
Derrick Brown's long awaited new collection of poetry and prose, Scandalabra, is a book that boils with true grit Americana, sensual power and black oceanic wildness. About.com rated his newest collection 'Scandalabra' as one of the top poetry books of 2009.

Written at sea aboard a fishing vessel and in the hills of Tennessee, these poems roar in six unique sections never before seen from this acclaimed writer.

**She Wears Pain Like Diamonds**

Castle Point Books

A remarkable Pocket Poets anthology of poems from around the world and across the centuries about illness and healing, both physical and spiritual. From ancient Greece and Rome up to the present moment, poets have responded with sensitivity and insight to the troubles of the human body and mind. Poems of Healing gathers a treasury of such poems, tracing the many possible journeys of physical and spiritual illness, injury, and recovery, from John Donne's "Hymne to God My God, In My Sickness" and Emily Dickinson's "The Soul has Bandaged moments" to Eavan Boland's "Anorexic," from W.H. Auden's "Miss Gee" to Lucille Clifton's "Cancer," and from D.H. Lawrence's "The Ship of Death" to Rafael Campo's "Antidote"

and Seamus Heaney's "Miracle." Here are poems from around the world, by Sappho, Milton, Baudelaire, Longfellow, Cavafy, and Omar Khayyam; by Stevens, Lowell, and Plath; by Zbigniew Herbert, Louise Bogan, Yehuda Amichai, Mark Strand, and Natalia Toledo. Messages of hope in the midst of pain—in such moving poems as Adam Zagajewski's "Try to Praise the Mutilated World," George Herbert's "The Flower," Wisława Szymborska's "The End and the Beginning," Gwendolyn Brooks' "when you have forgotten Sunday: the love story" and Stevie Smith's "Away, Melancholy"—make this the perfect gift to accompany anyone on a journey of healing. Everyman's Library pursues the highest production standards, printing on acid-free cream-colored paper, with

full-cloth cases with two-color foil stamping, decorative endpapers, silk ribbon markers, European-style half-round spines, and a full-color illustrated jacket.

Breathe. Breathe. Castle Point Books Moving to America turns H&A's life inside out. For all the 10 years of her life, H&A has only known Saigon: the thrills of its markets, the joy of its traditions, the warmth of her friends close by, and the beauty of her very own papaya tree. But now the Vietnam War has reached her home. H&A and her family are forced to flee as Saigon falls, and they board a ship headed toward hope. In America, H&A discovers the foreign world of Alabama: the coldness of its strangers, the dullness of its food, the strange shape of its landscape, and the strength



of her very own family. This is the moving story of one girl's year of change, dreams, grief, and healing as she journeys from one country to another, one life to the next.

*Abandoned Breaths: Revised and Expanded Edition* Candlewick Press (MA)  
Finalist, 2019 PEN Open Book Award  
Winner, 2019 American Book Award,  
Before Columbus Foundation Drawing on folklore and fantasy, childhood memory and hallucination, and marked by a tone of piercing divulgence, *Teeth Never Sleep* nimbly negotiates the split consciousness a culture of dominance requires of men (especially men of color), highlighting the fissures in selfhood created by the pressure to seek submission over intimacy while still wanting desperately to be loved, and

tracing the contorted route by which emotional pain finds expression in violence. “The night my girlfriend tells my mother I beat her, / I feel betrayed. This was a secret we kept between us. / That night, I was no longer my mother’s loving son,” the speaker in one poem confesses, and later “I never wanted to be this kind of animal.” And yet, through the lens of Ángel García’s sharp imagining, men frequently appear as beasts (sometimes literally)—as hybrid beings both tender and brutal—that he steadfastly refuses to let off the hook as he obsessively catalogs the origins of toxic masculinity (the first time I made my mother cry, the first time I pitied my father, the first time I saw a girl bleed) and its quiet, lasting effects: “Still a part of me believes a / man shouldn’t cry in

front of a woman, even in the dark.” In a culture of weaponized masculinity, the poems in *Teeth Never Sleep* make a doorway of a wound, inviting readers to walk through and sit down inside the raw pain they harbor to meditate on two central, urgent questions: what it means to be a man and how, as a man, to love.

*The Birth of All Things* LSU Press

The fourth volume in the popular series that began with *Ten Poems to Change Your Life*, *Ten Poems to Last a Lifetime* focuses on what it means to be truly human. In it, Roger Housden offers us poems on life and death, happiness, seeing ourselves in relation to the world, and, of course, the ineffable—the things that really matter when the chips are down. He describes these passionate poems as “bread for the soul and fire for

the spirit.” The poets Housden has chosen are Billy Collins, Hayden Carruth, Dorianne Laux, James Wright, Naomi Shihab Nye, and Mary Oliver from the United States, D. H. Lawrence and John Keats from England, Rainer Maria Rilke from Germany, Fleur Adcock from New Zealand, and Seng-Ts’an from sixth-century China. And yes, that adds up to eleven, not ten. Housden decided to include a bonus poem for his faithful readers in this, the final volume of the series. As before, Housden’s luminous essays provide an elegant and easy passage into the sometimes daunting world of poetry, enabling readers to feel that in him they have found a trusted guide and mentor.

*She Had Some Horses* Penguin UK

God hides behind simple daily activities;

finding Him is a matter of surrender to His will. That's the message of this inspirational classic, which has guided generations to spiritual peace.

The Poet X Vintage

“A novelistic mosaic that simultaneously reads like a thriller and like a strange, dreamlike excursion into the subconscious.” —The New York Times  
Years ago, when *House of Leaves* was first being passed around, it was nothing more than a badly bundled heap of paper, parts of which would occasionally surface on the Internet. No one could have anticipated the small but devoted following this terrifying story would soon command. Starting with an odd assortment of marginalized youth -- musicians, tattoo artists, programmers, strippers, environmentalists, and

adrenaline junkies -- the book eventually made its way into the hands of older generations, who not only found themselves in those strangely arranged pages but also discovered a way back into the lives of their estranged children. Now this astonishing novel is made available in book form, complete with the original colored words, vertical footnotes, and second and third appendices. The story remains unchanged, focusing on a young family that moves into a small home on Ash Tree Lane where they discover something is terribly wrong: their house is bigger on the inside than it is on the outside. Of course, neither Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist Will Navidson nor his companion Karen Green was prepared to face the consequences of

that impossibility, until the day their two little children wandered off and their voices eerily began to return another story -- of creature darkness, of an ever-growing abyss behind a closet door, and of that unholy growl which soon enough would tear through their walls and consume all their dreams.

Poems by Emily Dickinson Harmony  
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 SPECIAL EVENT Hailed by Toni Morrison  
 as "required reading," a bold and  
 personal literary exploration of

America's racial history by "the most important essayist in a generation and a writer who changed the national political conversation about race" (Rolling Stone)  
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 NAMED ONE OF PASTE'S BEST MEMOIRS OF THE DECADE • NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times Book Review • O: The Oprah Magazine • The Washington Post • People • Entertainment Weekly • Vogue • Los Angeles Times • San Francisco Chronicle • Chicago Tribune • New York • Newsday • Library Journal • Publishers Weekly  
 In a profound work that pivots from the biggest questions about American history and ideals to the most intimate concerns of a father for his son, Ta-Nehisi Coates offers a

powerful new framework for understanding our nation's history and current crisis. Americans have built an empire on the idea of "race," a falsehood that damages us all but falls most heavily on the bodies of black women and men—bodies exploited through slavery and segregation, and, today, threatened, locked up, and murdered out of all proportion. What is it like to inhabit a black body and find a way to live within it? And how can we all honestly reckon with this fraught history and free ourselves from its burden? *Between the World and Me* is Ta-Nehisi Coates's attempt to answer these questions in a letter to his adolescent

son. Coates shares with his son—and readers—the story of his awakening to the truth about his place in the world through a series of revelatory experiences, from Howard University to Civil War battlefields, from the South Side of Chicago to Paris, from his childhood home to the living rooms of mothers whose children's lives were taken as American plunder. Beautifully woven from personal narrative, reimagined history, and fresh, emotionally charged reportage, *Between the World and Me* clearly illuminates the past, bracingly confronts our present, and offers a transcendent vision for a way forward.