



A Map in My Blood

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Thistledown Press, United States, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 211 x 137 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Traditional poetry continues to hold its place in contemporary literature, in part, because of the emergence of women whose writing is informed by tradition but whose subject matter crystalizes in the personal search for meaning. This work represents a search through life, querying events and ideas. Thoughts are offered and ideas considered, but no real conclusion is reached as life's constant flux shifts the perspective and importance of every event. Everyday moments and seemingly inconsequential acts are allowed their due while peace and strength show through the loss and effort. In the backdrop to the poems, the boreal forest comes alive, poems begin there: I spent the entire day walking poplar brush and spruce groves stretched out for a bit in waist-high grass in the meadow beyond the birches worked my slow way beneath the willows where beaver wore a path through stones that rim the slough next to Little Winter Lake And poems end there: young throats yip coyote pups on the ridge beckon the moon as feet slap boards stretched to the drowning sun leap into rippled silver...



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