



Forth a Raven

By Christina Davis

Alice James Books. Paperback / softback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Forth a Raven, Christina Davis, "These poems are so bright they hurt: urgent and necessary, they explode and shatter into original wholeness, reclaiming for Soul its own language-fierce, challenging, and spare. This is a book Emily would have kept by her bedside. About it, she might have said, 'Here is a newness in the wind to trouble your attention.'" -Susan Mitchell In the Book of Genesis, Noah sends forth a raven and a dove to test the status of the flood. The return of the dove is widely celebrated, but the fate of the raven-the bird who speaks-is left ambiguous. In Christina Davis' luminous first collection of poems, her questions are those raised by the journey of the raven and what he represents: language and communication, risk, exile and mortality. "Nostalgia for the Infinite" "Each time we moved, " "I wanted to come back as a tree. And each time we stayed, as a bird." "Does anyone ever ask to return as himself again?" "I wanted to be a tree and myself-seeing-the-tree, " "a bird and myself-being-the-bird." "O creatures-in-law" Christina Davis holds an MA from the University of Pennsylvania and...



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