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The Songs We Know Best Oxford University Press

This text is a reflection on the meaning of spiritual darkness - especially those difficult places in human experience where meaning seems to elude us, where we are emptied out and are compelled to dig deeper into who we truly are. Douglas E. Christie takes up this facet of experience, in ordinary human experience, but also in relation to the Christian contemplative and mystical traditions, where such experience is often understood to be both painful and transformative, allowing the mind and heart to open in love.

World Almanac and Book of Facts 2014 American Continuum Poetry. Middle Eastern Studies. Translated from the Arabic by Michael Sells. BEWILDERED contains new translations of Ibn al-'Arab? Tarjuman poems in modern poetic English. The translator of a highly praised volume of pre-Islamic qasidas, *Desert Tracings*, and *STATIONS OF DESIRE*, the first renderings of Ibn al-'Arab? Tarjuman, Michael A. Sells carries into his translations the supple, resonant quality of the original Arabic, so that the poems come to life in English. Expert yet unaffected, [Michael Sell's translations in BEWLIDERED] capture the original Arabic even as they introduce a figure as eminent as Rumi who is little-known in the West. Furthermore, by revisiting past translations, Sells's work confirms that literature is best rendered not in a single English version, but

many.--Kevin Blankinship

The Insurmountable Darkness of Love Catapult

For its first 75 years, Brookline was a bucolic area of Boston, with rolling hills and low-lying salt marshes. Named "Muddy River" by its residents after a shallow tidal estuary bordering Roxbury, Brookline had no more than 50 families inhabiting it when it was incorporated as an independent town on November 13, 1705. Long regarded as a liberal, progressive community, Brookline is a model of how an effective town government can positively impact the life of its citizens. Brookline boasts numerous Nobel Prize winners--doctors, scientists, and researchers who have made enormous strides in their fields. Brookline shares Boston's strong literary tradition, with residents like poet Amy Lowell and mystery writer Dennis Lehane. Brookline's pedestrian-friendly infrastructure, with many residents who eschew cars and shop locally, attracts many small-business owners such as Dana Brigham and Seth Barrett. Brookline has been home to a number of sports luminaries like Larry Bird, Terry Francona, and Robert Kraft. Famous politicians include the 35th president, John F. Kennedy, who was born in Brookline; former governor Michael Dukakis; and New York mayor Michael Bloomberg. *Legendary Locals of Brookline* tells their stories, as well as the stories of some of the lesser-known heroes and humanitarians who make Brookline a great place to call home.

What Stirs Farrar, Straus and Giroux

Now in an updated English edition with full color illustrations, Kandinsky's fascinating and witty artist's book represents a crucial moment in the painter's move toward abstraction.

No Other Rome Everyman's Library

An intimate, thought-provoking exploration of the mysteries of "star presence" in cinema "One does

not go to see them act," James Baldwin wrote about the great iconic movie stars, "one goes to watch them be." It seems obvious . . . Where else besides the movies do you get to see other persons so intimately, so pressingly, so largely? Where else are you allowed such sustained and searching looks as you give to these strangers on the screen, whoever they really are? In life you try not to stare; but at the movies that's exactly what you get to do, two hours or more--safely, raptly, even blissfully. It's this sort of amplified, heightened, sometimes transcendent "seeing" that James Harvey explores in *Watching Them Be*. Marvelously vivid and perceptive, and impressively erudite, this is his take on how aura is communicated in movies. Beginning where Roland Barthes left off with the face of Greta Garbo and ending with Robert Bresson's *Au hasard Balthazar* (and its inscrutable nonhuman star), Harvey moves nimbly and expertly through film history, celebrating actors and directors who have particularly conveyed a feeling of transcendence. From Marlene Dietrich to John Wayne to Robert De Niro, from Nashville to Jackie Brown to *Masculine/Feminine* and the implicitly or explicitly religious films of Roberto Rossellini and Carl Theodor Dreyer, this is one man's personal, deeply felt account of the films that have changed his life. They will also, Harvey suggests, change yours.

Re-envisioning Christian Humanism Etruscan Press

"If Mr. Mitchell gives an eloquent account of the effects of Job's poetry in his introduction, in the translation itself he does even better: he makes those effects come

alive. Writing with three insistent beats to the line, and hammering home a succession of boldly defined images, he achieves a rare degree of vehemence and concentration." – John Cross, *New York Times* The Book of Job pulses with moral energy, outrage, and spiritual insight; it is nothing less than human suffering and the transcendence of it. Now, The Book of Job has been translated into English by the eminent translator and scholar Stephen Mitchell, whose versions of Rilke, Israeli poetry, and the Tao Te Ching have been widely praised. This is the first time ever that the Hebrew verse of Job has been translated into verse in any language, ancient or modern, and the result is a triumph.

Gilgamesh Farrar, Straus and Giroux

Matthew Rohrer at his best. Humorous, quotidian, urban, and conversational poems about family and friendship.

Blue Hour Penguin

"What is it to feel attached and what is it to be free? Is contemporary love a reasonable desire or a whacked-out addiction? How many sippy-cup lattes have you had today, anyway?" "Both playful and probing, What Stirs looks at our primal appetite for human attachment in a postmodern digital era where the tenderness of the individual is both exposed and easily masqueraded by the brazen and wary stirrings of virtual identity. In this new collection, Margaret Christakos accretes the ecstatic reach of lyric poetry, and her abiding curiosities about subjective excess and procedural poetic composition into a uniquely wakeful field of linguistic, acoustic and narrative pleasure."--BOOK JACKET.

Buffalo Head Solos Harper Collins

Winner of the 2017 PEN Award for Poetry in Translation From the acclaimed translator of Sir Gawain and the Green Knight, a spellbinding new translation of this classic allegory of grief and

consolation. One of our most ingenious interpretersan eruption. Ferry's translations, meanwhile, are of Middle English, Oxford Professor of Poetry Simon Armitage is celebrated for his "compulsively readable" translations (*New York Times Book Review*). A perfect complement to his historic translation of Sir Gawain and the Green Knight, Pearl reanimates another beloved Medieval English masterpiece thought to be by the same anonymous author and housed in the same original fourteenth-century manuscript. Honoring the rhythms and alliterative music of the original, Armitage's virtuosic translation describes a man mourning the loss of his Pearl—something that has "slipped away." What follows is a tense, fascinating, and tender dialogue weaving through the throes of grief toward divine redemption. Intricate and endlessly connected, Armitage's lyrical translation is a circular and perfected whole, much like the pearl itself.

The Cambridge Companion to Twenty-First-Century American Poetry Oxford University Press

Neo-confessional poems about moving back to the suburbs, raising a family, sustaining a marriage, and facing the humility that comes with not being young anymore.

Lean Against This Late Hour University of Chicago Press

Winner of the National Book Award for Poetry.

"This is one of the great books of poetry of this young century."—Dan Chiasson, *The New Yorker* To read David Ferry's *Bewilderment* is to be reminded that poetry of the highest order can be made by the subtlest of means. The passionate nature and originality of Ferry's prosodic daring works astonishing transformations that take your breath away. In poem after poem, his diction modulates beautifully between plainspoken high eloquence and colloquial vigor, making his distinctive speech one of the most interesting and ravishing achievements of the past half century. Most poets write inside a very narrow range of experience and feeling, whether in free or metered verse. But Ferry's use of meter tends to enhance the colloquial nature of his writing, while giving him access to an immense variety of feeling. Sometimes that feeling is so powerful it's like witnessing a volcanologist taking measurements in the midst of

an eruption. Ferry's translations, meanwhile, are amazingly acclimated English poems. Once his voice takes hold of them they are as bred in the bone as all his other work. And the translations in this book are vitally related to the original poems around them. "These poems highlight an age-old quest for truth that leads the speaker to consider his present and past, and to translate works by Horace, Virgil, Catullus and others . . . vivid and sometimes heartbreaking."—*The Washington Post* "Astonishing—a haunted book where ghosts prove that the haunted are still alive and allow for the continuing company of literature."—*Slate* "A necessary book . . . shocking and heartbreaking."—*The Rumpus*

Noontimes Won Coffee House Press

An edited volume aiming to recover a Christian humanist ethos. It provides a historical overview and individual examples of past Christian humanisms.

The Shi King, the Old "Poetry Classic" of the Chinese Yale University Press

A new verse rendering of the great epic of ancient Mesopotamia, one of the oldest works in Western Literature. Ferry makes *Gilgamesh* available in the kind of energetic and readable translation that Robert Fitzgerald and Richard Lattimore have provided for readers in their translations of Homer and Virgil.

Love Took the Words Shambhala Publications

No Other Rome is a poetry collection sparked by a multifarious intertextuality. Love poems, elegies, and meditations draw on Classical, Modern, and contemporary literature, art, architecture and music, to reckon with the rapid move from twentieth-century concerns into an unpredictable present.

Surrounded by Friends Slant Books

The best and most eloquent introduction to Dante for our time. Prue Shaw is one of the world's foremost authorities on Dante. Written with the general reader in mind, *Reading Dante* brings her knowledge to bear in an accessible

yet expert introduction to his great poem. This translation to cope with the diversity of is far more than an exegesis of Dante's three-part Commedia. Shaw communicates the imaginative power, the linguistic skill and the emotional intensity of Dante's poetry—the qualities that make the Commedia perhaps the greatest literary work of all time and not simply a medieval treatise on morality and religion. The book provides a graphic account of the complicated geography of Dante's version of the afterlife and a sure guide to thirteenth-century Florence and the people and places that influenced him. At the same time it offers a literary experience that lifts the reader into the universal realms of poetry and mythology, creating links not only to the classical world of Virgil and Ovid but also to modern art and poetry, the world of T. S. Eliot, Seamus Heaney and many others. Dante's questions are our questions: What is it to be a human being? How should we judge human behavior? What matters in life and in death? Reading Dante helps the reader to understand Dante's answers to these timeless questions and to see how surprisingly close they sometimes are to modern answers. Reading Dante is an astonishingly lyrical work that will appeal to both those who've never read the Commedia and those who have. It underscores Dante's belief that poetry can change human lives.

Sounds Farrar, Straus and Giroux

A New York Times Notable Book for 2011 One of The Economist's 2011 Books of the Year People speak different languages, and always have. The Ancient Greeks took no notice of anything unless it was said in Greek; the Romans made everyone speak Latin; and in India, people learned their neighbors' languages—as did many ordinary Europeans in times past (Christopher Columbus knew Italian, Portuguese, and Castilian Spanish as well as the classical languages). But today, we all use

languages. Without translation there would be no world news, not much of a reading list in any subject at college, no repair manuals for cars or planes; we wouldn't even be able to put together flat-pack furniture. Is That a Fish in Your Ear? ranges across the whole of human experience, from foreign films to philosophy, to show why translation is at the heart of what we do and who we are. Among many other things, David Bellos asks: What's the difference between translating unprepared natural speech and translating Madame Bovary? How do you translate a joke? What's the difference between a native tongue and a learned one? Can you translate between any pair of languages, or only between some? What really goes on when world leaders speak at the UN? Can machines ever replace human translators, and if not, why? But the biggest question Bellos asks is this: How do we ever really know that we've understood what anybody else says—in our own language or in another? Surprising, witty, and written with great joie de vivre, this book is all about how we comprehend other people and shows us how, ultimately, translation is another name for the human condition.

Poems About Trees Cambridge University Press

"I want to talk about some of the things I'm after when I write, my sense of the American predicament, and what I hope for poetry and for people in relation to words...I believe poetry can be proof that dynamic awareness is alive and kicking, a constant reminder to ourselves and to our fellow citizens that being alert, both inwardly and outwardly, rewards each person with more life. Doesn't a good poem bring that electric sense of things, that edgy vitality that can't be laughed off or shopped away? I think being fully human demands this, demands poetry." -- Open Letter by the author.

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One of America's leading journalists probes the recreational lives of people of all ages, examining what Americans do for recreation, from rock climbing to rodeo, sumo wrestling to slow-pitch softball, boomerangs to bowling,