

Lynn Levin

Poet-Translator



Lynn Levin, translator of *Birds on the Kiswar Tree* [*La Escuela de Cusco/The School of Cusco*] (2Leaf Press, 2014), is also a poet and writer. She is the author of four collections of poems: *Miss Plastique* (Ragged Sky Press, 2013), *Fair Creatures of an Hour* (Loonfeather Press, 2009), *Imaginarium* (Loonfeather Press, 2005), and *A Few Questions about Paradise* (Loonfeather Press, 2000). She is co-author of a craft-of-poetry text *Poems for the Writing: Prompts for Poets* (Texture Press, 2013).

Levin's poems have appeared in *Ploughshares*, *Boulevard*, *Washington Square Review*, *Hopkins Review*, *Artful Dodge*, *Connecticut Review*, *Verse Daily*, on Garrison Keillor's *The Writer's Almanac*, and many other places. Her translations of poems by Peruvian Andean poets, including Odi Gonzales, Luis Nieto, and others, have appeared in *Mandorla*, *Michigan Quarterly Review*, *Metamorphoses*, *Off the Coast*, *Per Contra*, *Painted Bride Quarterly*, and elsewhere. She has published

literary nonfiction and short fiction in *Southwest Review*, *Wild River Review*, *Michigan Quarterly Review*, *Cleaver*, and *More Intelligent Life.com*.

Levin's poems appear in numerous anthologies including *Rabbit Ears: TV Poems* (Poets Wear Prada, 2014), *The Bloomsbury Anthology of Contemporary Jewish American Poetry* (Bloomsbury Publishing, 2013), *The 33rd* (series of anthologies, Drexel Publishing Group, 2013-09), *The Torah: A Women's Commentary* (URJ Press, 2007), and *Common Wealth: Contemporary Poets on Pennsylvania* (Penn State University Press, 2005).

Imaginarium, Levin's second poetry collection, was a finalist for *ForeWord Magazine's* 2005 Book of the Year Award, and her third poetry collection, *Fair Creatures of an Hour*, was a Next Generation Indie Book Awards 2010 finalist in poetry. She is the recipient of two grants from Philadelphia's Leeway Foundation, the Robert Fraser Award from Bucks County Community College, as well as awards from the St. Louis Poetry Center, the *Comstock Review*, and other places. She is a nine-time Pushcart Prize nominee and was the 1999 Bucks County, Pennsylvania poet laureate.

Lynn Levin is a lecturer in creative writing at the University of Pennsylvania and an adjunct associate professor of English at Drexel University. For nine years, she was the producer of the TV talk show *The Drexel InterView*. Previous to teaching, Levin had a career as an advertising copywriter.

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