

Title: Liquid Paper: New and Selected Poems

Author: Peter Meinke

Description:

Peter Meinke was a master of traditional poetic forms long before the current interest in 'the new formalism.' His work is, in turn, witty, comic, sane, deeply moving, and always readable. *Liquid Paper* collects the best of his previously published poems from the later 1960's on with a generous selection of new work.

Reviews

Poetry:

The threats beneath attractive surfaces and the uncertain security of the outwardly contented are topics rarely treated in poems as healthy as Meinke's; his voice is knowledgeable and reassuring.

Judith Hemschmeyer:

Meinke is a skilled craftsman. He is especially adept at building to a strong ending or the ending that shies the poem into an unexpected, but perfect place. He also has the most endearing sense of humopr, the ability to laugh at himself.

The Nashville Tennessean:

Like Whitman, who claimed that the smallest sprout of grass 'Shows there is really no death,' Meinke is at heart a celebrator of a vital and joyous existence.

The St. Petersburg Times:

If you are one of the millions who is bored, perplexed or overawed by contemporary poetry, do the muse, and yourself, a favor: Buy and read Peter Meinke's new book.