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**David Fraser's First Published Collection of Poetry
"Reads Like Trout Dancing to Detroit Jazz"**

David Fraser was born in Detroit at the midpoint of the last century. In the late 60s, he was loosely attached to the downtown Detroit poetry scene. He published early on in little mags he'd be surprised if anyone still knows: *Zahir*, *Dust*, *The Wormwood Review*, *Espion*, and then disappeared from that literary scene. For the last 30 years, he has been working, writing poems and sticking them in drawers, fishing, and kicking around the woods of northern Michigan. Long-time friends were pleased with Fraser's decision to come out of the woods and finally share his poetry with readers:

"If you ever had any doubt as to who 'the people' are, doubt no longer. They are the tough-speaking, hard-living, heart-broken mysterious creatures in Dave Fraser's poems. Their voices are as real as the world is unreal, but they stubbornly insist on the sometimes meager, but always live, facts of their lives. Find the 'Americans.' Read these poems."

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Professor of English at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge

"Fraser writes with a concrete immediacy of language. His poems may seem to have a casual surface, but he uses strong images in a vital way to produce work that contains layers of genuine wit and wonder."

—Ken Mikolowski, author of *Big Enigmas*
Creative writing teacher at University of Michigan

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