



The Hunger Wall: Poems (Paperback)

By James Ragan

Avalon Travel Publishing, United States, 1996. Paperback. Condition: New. Reprint. Language: English . Brand New Book. In 1992, critically acclaimed poet James Ragan was in Los Angeles when riots exploded across racial and class lines. That same year he was also living in Prague when Czechoslovakia divided into two separate nations, motivated by the principles of nationalism. This odd coincidence forms the crux of his new, eagerly anticipated book of poetry. The poems in *The Hunger Wall*, named for a wall near the Prague Castle, take these two cultural sensibilities that seem worlds apart and explore the subtle nuances of their unlikely similarities. In beautifully crafted and metaphorically rich language, Ragan studies what it means to set a border, whether it be political, racial, or economic. *The Hunger Wall* examines a continually changing world — a world of shifting cultural identities in which the widening gap between the rich and the poor is dangerously explosive.

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