



Notes on Leaving: Poems (Paperback)

By Laisha Rosnau

Nightwood Editions, United States, 2005. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Notes on Leaving is a debut poetry collection that is every bit as captivating, emotive and razor-sharp as Laisha Rosnau s bestselling first novel The Sudden Weight of Snow. Rosnau s poignant poems address life in a startlingly direct and honest voice, employing a robust combination of jaw-dropping forthrightness and delicately crafted verse. The language of Notes on Leaving is brusque, bright and instinctively fluid: lines and words flow and merge as naturally as they collide head-on. In the world-weary persona of someone who has always found herself on the run (my mind was farther away than farm and field. . .), and prone to breakdowns/ of all kinds, Rosnau energetically conveys sexually charged and angst-ridden desires to urgently abandon a small-town upbringing, among various other lives and identities. She convincingly presents these primal urges as strikingly and sensuously familiar to us all, tracing a route down your torso, thrumming south, / the highway swelling with each town, until/ you round the last curve, a crescendo, and cross/ the river to a place where the city meets itself. Cutting through time zones that encompass the...



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