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Duppy Conqueror: New and Selected Poems (Paperback)

By Kwame Dawes

Copper Canyon Press, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. New.. 226 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Paterson Award for Literary Excellence. Milt Kessler Poetry Book Award, finalist. Dawes s verse has an expressive power and lyric resonance that can be attributed to a trans-Atlantic consciousness weaned on the spiritual sources of reggae. -- New York Times Book Review Raised in Jamaica, Dawes takes some of his cues, and this book s title, from reggae music. But his voice in these long and short poems and sequences selected from each of his many books, which began appearing in the mid-1990s, is crystal clear, accessible and serious, mixing a timeless myth-making energy with a strong contemporary conscience. --National Public Radio This first U.S. selection from the Jamaica-bred, Nebraska-based poet (he also has a reputation in Britain) is his 16th book of verse in just 20 years; it reveals a writer syncretic, effusive, affectionate, alert to familial joys, but also sensitive to history, above all to the struggles of African diasporic history--the Middle Passage, sharecropper-era South Carolina, the Kingston of Bob Marley, whose song gives this big book its title. Dawes is at home with cityscape and seascape, patois...



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