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## Mistaking Each Other for Ghosts

By Lawrence Raab

Tupelo Press, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 222 x 146 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Poetry. "Raab, a regularly anthologized poet with more than half a dozen collections of poetry, including *What We Don't Know about Each Other* (1993), a finalist for the National Book Award, continues to present his colloquial brand of prose poems with precise lyrical conversation in his latest book. These poems offer powerful evocations of the most human of themes: loneliness, the haunting resolution of doubt, love's many shades, and a deeply intelligent form of comfort amid the messiness of emotions. Always, reason balances high sentiment and dramatic outbursts. Raab's is a wholly American voice that reveals itself in sardonic humor and reflection as the poet addresses universal, philosophical quandaries; heaven and hell; and everything in between: Is there anything you want to know? / my father once asked me. / I can't picture the scene. Were we out on the lawn? / Was a baseball involved? No, I said, / taken by surprise. And he turned away, / embarrassed and relieved. A wonderful, mature, sweeping collection." Mark Elefeld.



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