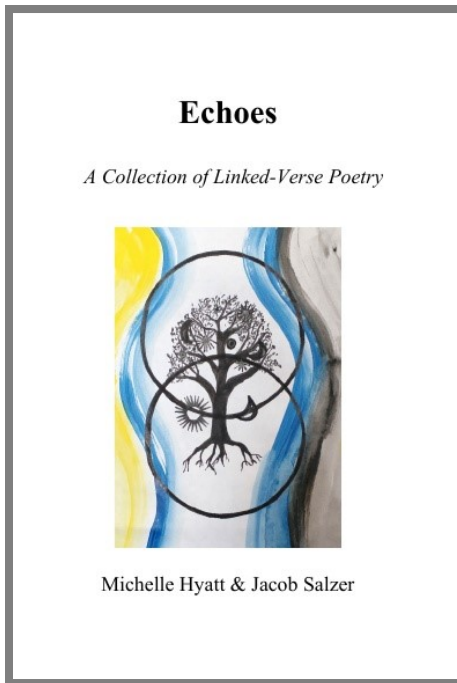


Echoes: A Collection of Linked-Verse Poetry

by Michelle Hyatt & Jacob Salzer



Echoes is a collection of linked-verse poetry by Michelle Hyatt and Jacob Salzer. This collection features tan renga sequences, yotsumono, rengay, experimental six-link renku, junicho, a kasen, and solo linked-verse. In this collaboration, the authors hear the echoes of their ancestors as they create their own echoes rippling into the future.

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Samples

Inheritance

whispers
through the branches...
my mother's voice

*catkins blowing in the breeze
an orb spider weaves her web*

grandma's blanket...
I wrap myself
in silence

*in the ancient ways
you teach me to walk
lightly...*

stairs spiraling into darkness...
the roots of my family tree

*buried bones
deep inside the earth
a faint vibration*

Jacob Salzer
Michelle Hyatt

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Unspoken Stories (tan renga sequence)

all that's left
of my dream journal
morning rain

*pushing through the mud
a single lotus*

gaps in the conversation
the homeless man's
missing teeth

*unspoken stories...
hiding behind a forced smile*

teaching me
to be still...
deep forest

*my chanting becomes
evening birdsong*

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