

ABSTRACT

EAST TULARE STREET (ēst tōō-lâr´e strēt) POEMS

This collection of poetry is a reflection of living, writing and personal experience in the San Joaquin Valley. Much of the writing herein comes from journals, dreams, memories, and readings of the great masters. The poems are a reckoning of literary influences, forms, and translations of feeling. This work marks a departure and manifest change toward the integration of poetry and art into daily living. Adrienne Rich tells us, “Every poem breaks a silence that has to be overcome.” That I’ve overcome silence, the demands of a new vision rests somewhere in words and image, and in the beliefs of the reader and the listener.

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