



## Hacker Packer

By Cassidy Mcfadzean

McClelland Stewart Inc., Canada, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 204 x 138 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. A playfully inventive and invigorating debut collection of poetry from a finalist for the CBC Poetry Prize and the Walrus Poetry Prize. With settings ranging from the ancient sites and lavish museums of Europe to the inner-city neighbourhood in North Central Regina where the poet grew up, the poems in Cassidy McFadzean s startling first collection embrace myth and metaphysics and explore the contradictory human impulses to create art and enact cruelty. A child burn victim is conscripted into a Grade Eight fire safety seminar; various road-killed animals make their cases for sainthood; and the fantastical visions in Hieronymus Bosch s The Garden of Earthly Delights move off the canvas and onto the speaker s splendid pair of leggings. Precociously wise, formally dexterous, and unrepentantly strange, the poems in Hacker Packer present a wholly memorable poetic debut.



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