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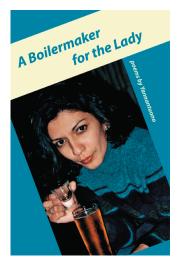
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NYQ Books™ announces the release of *A Boilermaker for the Lady* by Fred Yannantuono



New York, NY - In his first full-length book, A Boilermaker for the Lady, Fred Yannantuono flings the funny bone of life right into the void taking the reader on an inward journey that is at once vast and hilarious. With pithy limericks, palindromes, and poems Yannantuono demonstrates his unique and masterful use of language on every page. And with opening lines from the apparently observational such as "The dumbest guy in thirty years" to the seemingly ridiculous such as "A porcupine's an iffy thing to kill," Yannantuono's dry wit provokes humor and thought read after read after read.

Tom O'Grady of *The Hampden-Sydney Poetry Review* writes "Fred Yannantuono can tackle the whimsical, the lyrical, the musical, the hypothetical, the critical, the empirical, and the fantastical at the same time and make it all seem sensible. In 35 years as an editor, I've never read a poet with a greater control of form or range of subject

matter or voice. He is just plain fun to read." And John Mella of *Light Quarterly* says"What a read! These are brash, in your face virtuosic, witty, funny—and above all, free of the solemn portentous. I'd love to run a rave, er, review in my pages. 'Hands,' 'Amour Propre,' the librarian/love poem, and that one about the prez elections top-notch...and right on target."

Fired from Hallmark for writing meaningful greeting-card verse, Fred Yannantuono once ran twenty straight

balls at pool; finished 183rd (out of about 10,000) at the 1985 U.S. Open Crossword Puzzle Tournament; won a yodeling contest in a German restaurant; was bitten by a guard dog in a tattoo parlor; survived a car crash with Sidney Lumet; Paul Newman once claimed to have known him for a long time; hasn't been arrested in 17 months.

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