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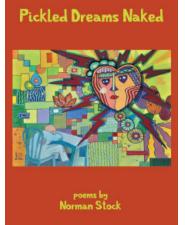
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NYQ Books[™] announces the release of *Pickled Dreams Naked* by Norman Stock



New York, NY - NYQ Books[™] is proud to announce the release of Norman Stock's *Pick-led Dreams Naked* in which his direct expression of gut-level feelings, surreal fantasies, and riotous humor, invite the reader to experience poetry in a new, more immediate way. The boring posturing of academic poetry is stood on its head by these plain-spoken poems. As in his first book, the prize-winning *Buying Breakfast For My Kamikaze Pilot*, Stock once again lays bare the hypocrisies that surround us with his sardonic wit and commitment to the truth of what we actually feel as opposed to what we are often taught we are supposed to feel.

"How Norman Stock achieves the wry, wacky miracles in his new book of poems, *Pickled Dreams Naked*, is a mystery and an inspiration....With his offbeat persistence, his love of what nobody else loves, and his surreal psychological realities, the microcosms become mythic." —Molly Peacock

"Catch a ride on Pickled Dreams Naked, and let Norman Stock guide you 'through the pitfalls of history / the hell-holes and wicked streets/where we assemble...[the] tawdry, human selves' which these outraged, ironic, earthy, resigned, chicken-obsessed, tender, optimistic, horny, despairing, frequently hilarious poems turn radiant." —Charles Harper Webb

"Norman Stock is a curmudgeonly old bastard from another planet obsessed with "incredibly big tits" and sexy Spanish women sucking lollipops. Worse than Kafka waking up as an insect, Stock wakes up as himself, an old Jewboy with a transplanted kidney....He has no patience for the stupid, the dumb, the jackasses, and especially the poets! Norman Stock is from another planet: this one." —Seido Ray Ronci

Norman Stock's first book, Buying Breakfast For My Kamikaze Pilot, was published by Gibbs Smith in 1994 as winner of the Peregrine Smith Poetry Contest. His poems have appeared in numerous magazines, as well as in anthologies and

textbooks. The recipient of awards from the Writer's Voice, Poets & Writers' Maureen Egan Writers Exchange, the Bennington Writing Workshops, and the Tanne Foundation, he has also been a Bread Loaf fellow, and a Sewanee scholar. Formerly the Acquisitions Librarian at Montclair State University, from which he retired in 2005, he lives with his wife, Lydia Chang, a clinical psychotherapist, in Jackson Heights New York.

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