

Hi Joanne, Lee, and Jim:

Thanks for guest editing the Aboriginal - Asian issue of *Ricepaper*! I was very excited to be a part of Create Collaborate Celebrate, and I am looking forward to seeing what you do with this issue!

I've included 4 poems for your consideration: "the milk of hypothetical histories," "The myth of the Dragon-Fly," "Totem Poles of Chief Mountain," and "Myth explaining some of the crests." All 4 of these poems are from my debut poetry book *The Place of Scraps* that Talonbooks will publish in Fall 2013, and none of these poems have been previously published.

Here is a brief bio:

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Best,
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