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Elegy

By Mary Jo Bang

Graywolf Press. Paperback / softback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Elegy, Mary Jo Bang, The winner of the 2007 National Book Critics Circle Award in Poetry, and a 2008 "New York Times" Notable Book "Look at her--It's as if The windows of night have been sewn to her eyes." --from "Ode to History" Mary Jo Bang is the author of four previous books of poetry, including "Louise in Love" and "The Eye Like a Strange Balloon." She lives in St. Louis, Missouri, where she is a Professor of English and Director of the Creative Writing Program at Washington University. Winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award Mary Jo Bang's fifth collection, "Elegy," chronicles the year following the death of her son. By weaving the particulars of her own loss into a tapestry that also contains the elements common to all losses, Bang creates something far larger than a mere lament. Continually in search of an adequate metaphor for the most profound and private grief, the poems in "Elegy" confront, in stark terms and with a resilient voice, how memory haunts the living and brings the dead back to life. Within these intimate and personal poems is a persistently urgent, and...



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