

#### Between The Covers Rare Books

illustration by Tom Bloom

A conversation between Tom and Ashley

- A: [clears throat] "Winter in Gloucester..."
- T: Huh?

A: Stop stifling my creativity! I'm writing a haiku for my poetry elist. [finger snaps]

T: And that sells books how?

A: Fine... how about just a limerick?

T: That sounds more amusing, but it doesn't sound any better. How about you work?

A: "There once was a bookseller named Tom..."

T: [walks away]

A: [yells] What rhymes with Tom?

T: Work!

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#### eCatalog 48: Poetry



# <u>1. Margaret ATWOOD</u>

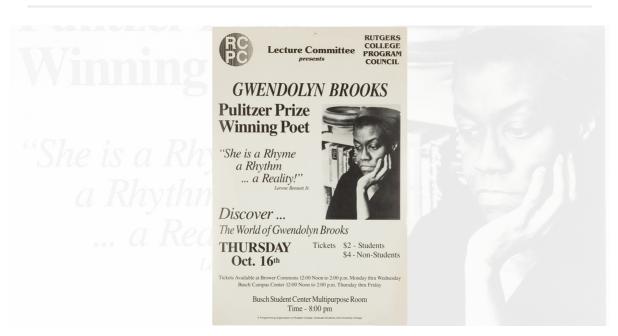
Black Stone Mother God

(Montreal: Cross Country Press 1979)

#### <u>\$100</u>

First edition of this poem postcard. One of 750 copies printed.

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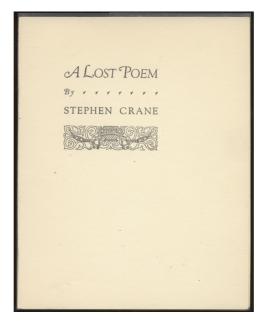
#### 2. Gwendolyn BROOKS

(Poster): Rutgers College Program Council. Lecture Committee Presents Gwendolyn Brooks Pulitzer Prize Winning Poet

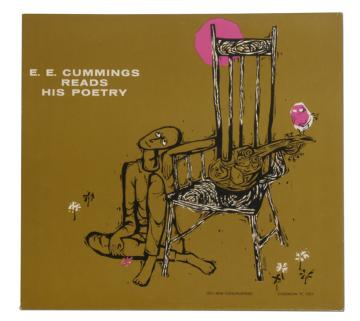
[New Brunswick?]: Rutgers College Program Council [no date - circa 1980?]

<u>\$150</u> Photographic poster.

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<u>3. Stephen CRANE</u>
<u>A Lost Poem</u>
<u>New York: Harvard Press (1932)</u>
<u>\$55</u>
One of 100 numbered copies Signed by Harvey Taylor.



## 4. E.E. CUMMINGS

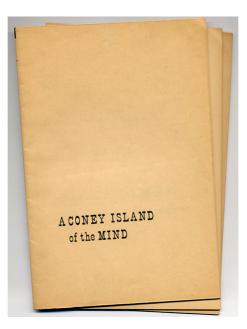
[Vinyl Record]: E.E. Cummings Reads His Poetry

New York: Caedmon Publishers (1953)

<u>\$100</u>

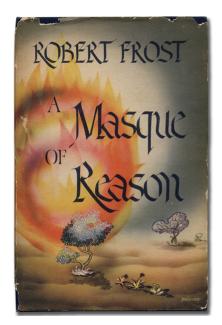
Original 33 1/3 rpm vinyl album. Includes the author reading from *Him*, *EIMI*, *Santa Claus*, and 18 poems.

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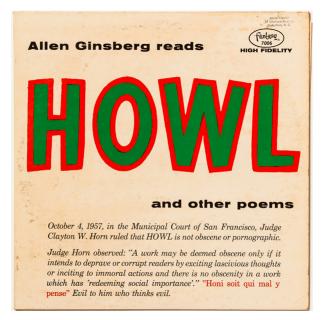
5. Lawrence FERLINGHETTI <u>A Coney Island of the Mind</u> (New York): New Directions (1958) <u>\$250</u> Uncommon advance format of the author's first book, a set of unbound folded and gathered sheets for the fourth printing, formerly from the collection of New Directions publicity director Ned Erbe.

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To Daniel Snigth (house again) from his old friend Robert Wrost October 30 1884-bambridge

<u>6. Robert FROST</u>
<u>A Masque of Reason</u>
<u>New York: Henry Holt (1945)</u>
<u>\$475</u>
First edition, trade issue. Inscribed by the author.

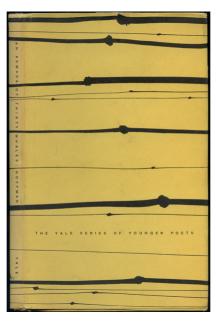


#### 7. Allen GINSBERG

## (Vinyl record): Allen Ginsberg Reads Howl and Other Poems [No place]: Fantasy 1959 \$300

33 1/3 rpm 12" red vinyl disc in paper sleeve and cardboard sleeve. Stamped "Promotional Copy" and with the ownership stamp of poet John Ciardi on the front of the sleeve.

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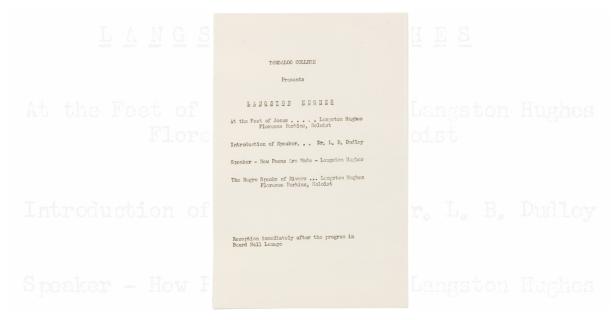
8. Daniel HOFFMAN An Armada of Thirty Whales New Haven: Yale University Press 1954 <u>\$85</u>

First edition. Author's first book, from the author's library with his address label tipped in.

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9. Oliver Wendell HOLMES [Musical broadside]: Hymn by Oliver Wendell Holmes Written Expressly for the Great Sanitary Fair [Philadelphia]: G.W. Childs 1864 \$2000 First edition, printing A.

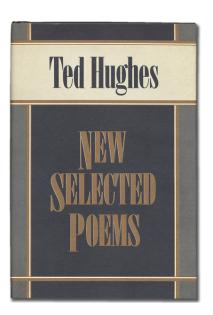


### 10. Langston HUGHES

(Small broadside): Tougaloo College Presents Langston Hughes Tougaloo, Mississippi: Tougaloo College [1952] \$45

A simple handbill and program for a lecture by Hughes at a small African-America college.

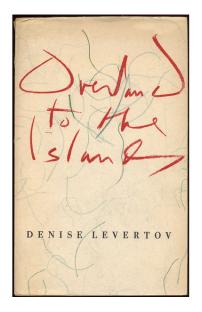
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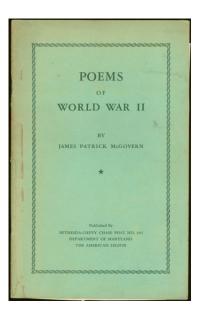
<u>11. Ted HUGHES</u> <u>New Selected Poems</u> New York: Harper and Row (1982) <u>\$75</u>

First American edition.

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## 12. Denise LEVERTOV Overland to the Islands Highlands: Jonathan Williams 1958 \$300 First edition, regular issue. One of 450 copies.



#### 13. James Patrick McGOVERN

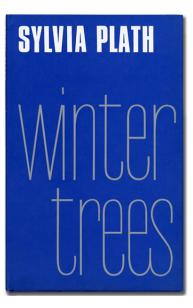
Poems of World War II

MD: Bethesda-Chevy Chase (1945)

<u>\$80</u>

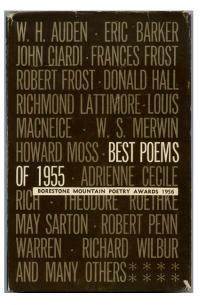
First edition. Inscribed by the author to Phyllis Armstrong, the former assistant in poetry at the Library of Congress.

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<u>14. Sylvia PLATH</u> <u>Winter Trees</u> London: Faber and Faber (1971) <u>\$350</u> First edition.

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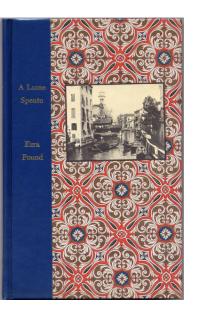


## <u>15. (Sylvia PLATH, Robert Frost, W.H. Auden, et al)</u> <u>MOORE, Robert Thomas, edited by</u> <u>Best Poems of 1955: Borestone Mountain Poetry Awards, 1956</u>

Stanford: Stanford University Press 1957

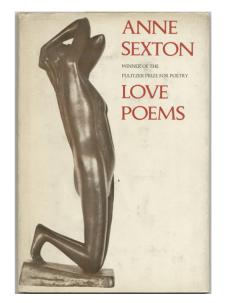
<u>\$200</u>

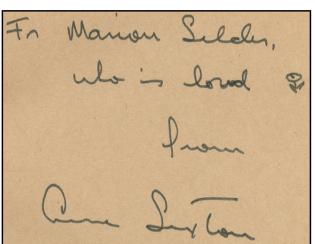
First edition. Signed by contributors John Hall Wheelock (twice) and Louise Townsend Nicholl.



### <u>16. Ezra POUND</u> <u>A Lume Spento And Other Early Poems</u> New York: New Directions (1965) <u>\$65</u> First edition.

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## 17. Anne SEXTON Love Poems Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company 1969 \$500

Second edition. Inscribed by Sexton: "For Marian Seldes, who is loved [with

drawing flower] from Anne Sexton." Seldes was a Tony and Obie Awardwinning actress who starred in the 1969 off-Broadway production of Anne Sexton's *Mercy Street* at The American Place Theatre in 1969.

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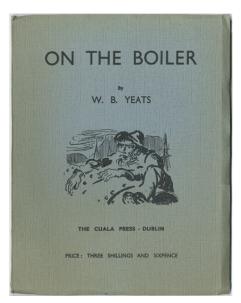


## 18. WHITE, E.B. as E.B.W. <u>The Lady is Cold: Poems by E.B.W.</u>

New York: Harper 1929

<u>\$250</u>

First edition, second issue binding. White's first book published by a commercial publisher, preceded only by a rare, pseudonymous promotional booklet.

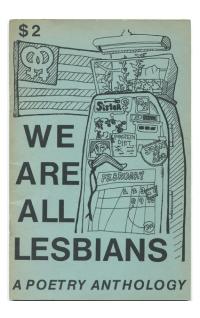


#### 19. W.B. YEATS

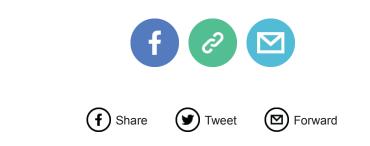
On the Boiler Dublin: The Cuala Press (1938) \$250 Second edition (preceded by an

Second edition (preceded by an extremely limited first edition with only four copies known to exist, the rest destroyed by the poet's wife).

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20. We Are All Lesbians: A Poetry Anthology New York: Violet Press (1973) \$250 First edition. **Read More** 



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