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beach was lost in your breath; 26. The renitency of the will opposes all;  
 27. The sea scrubs the rock, the clouds on the cape; 28. The turquoise  
 water is not faked on a postcard; 29. The windows of the moon have  
 cast; 30. They were quartering us in these streets; 31. There was a  
 window on the stars, the cusp; 32. Keel, mast, sail in wind, sea, sky  
 shake and bend; 33. Her pale hair stumbled in the wood, and he rode;  
 34. There was jazz playing in a room away; 35. The winds rise over the  
 plain outside Paris  
 36. Till we fled Calais these two terrains 37. Window night-frame  
 time of the moon; 38. I have washed too many I have watched; 39.  
 There were stones there were knives; 40. It's not custom to begin  
 with the couplet; 41. The angles of the moon over, through those trees;  
 42. The absence of your breath heats my marrow; 43. The  
 embarrassment of words abandons us; 44. The hawthorn trembles in  
 rain and ice; 45. Just when it seems she will sing deport; 46. Through  
 the threshold the pollen draws, the light; 47. And yet the morning light  
 held you, the cuts  
 48. When I was young the world was young: you know 49. It would be as  
 the wind, but some force; 50. This night, like the vanity of death; 51.  
 Palm trees came to France in 1864; 52. Freezing to death is not an act  
 of love; 53. Your arms are not a trope, and hyperbole; 54. Flint,  
 outcrop, overhang: I made my way; 55. So much depends on the  
 glibness of words; 56. I am not certain: je ne suis pas sur; 57. When  
 Venus moved her headquarters, she sighed; 58. The closer to the  
 ground, the more fictional; 59. Silent devotion at first light, wind; 60.  
 Those catacombs, stacked with skulls and bones  
 61. The way trains move, poetry moves

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## Sommario/riassunto

Musing is a book of sonnets. Working within the framework of a classic  
 poetic form, Jonathan Locke Hart embarks on an extended meditation  
 on our rootedness in landscape and in the past. As sonnets, the poems  
 are a mixture of tradition and innovation. Throughout, Hart deftly  
 interweaves European culture with North American settings and  
 experience. The collection opens with a foreword by noted literary  
 scholar Gordon Teskey, who reflects on the themes that have marked  
 the evolution of Hart's poetry. Of Musing, Teskey writes: "These deeply  
 thoughtful poems bring layered historical consciousness

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