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Prize Winners and Finalists Chosen by Marge Piercy

The MARSH HAWK PRESS POETRY PRIZE

(\$1,000.00 Cash Prize and Publication of the Book)

“Blood Memory” by Gail Newman

There isn't a weak poem in the book. Writing about the Holocaust can be difficult now, not that it was ever easy. It has become myth or something people use as a metaphor for something they object to: those who know, who went through it, are dying off. Those who deny what happened multiply. To make fresh powerful poems rooted in Shoah is amazing. She does it by specifics. There are no faceless men in dirty ragged striped uniforms. The people are individualized.

Marge Piercy, Award Winning Poet and Novelist