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memory this water that moves sighing within us like our wake this sight trailing back what is left behind abiding in this water where all is born contained this place we look back as a time dreamt memory and pull forward now retrieved this place we can mend over and over memory

Note on the Text

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A volume of Marilyn Dumont's selected poetry, *Reclamation and Resurgence*, will appear in spring 2024 from Wilfrid Laurier University Press.

MARILYN DUMONT is a Metis writer who was born and raised on Metis Road Allowance land in small town Alberta. She is the author of *A Really Good Brown Girl* (Winner of the Gerald Lampert Memorial Award), green girl dreams Mountains (Winner, Stephan G. Stephansson Award), that tongued belonging (Winner, McNally Robinson Poetry Book of the Year and McNally Robinson Aboriginal Book of the Year), and *The Pemmican Eaters* (Winner, Stephan G. Stephansson Award). Marilyn's work has been widely anthologized, represented in artwork and poetry installations, including the words from "memory" sewn into Heather Shillinglaw's ウィントゥ はカール kisitêpowin sâkâhikan cooking lake from the series of works ローストゥ カール kisitêpowin sâkâhikan cooking lake from the series of works ローストゥ カール cooking lake from the series of works