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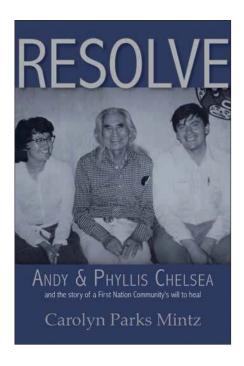
ANDY AND PHYLLIS CHELSEA AND THE STORY OF A FIRST NATION COMMUNITY'S WILL TO HEAL

BY CAROLYN PARKS MINTZ

Andy and Phyllis Chelsea met at the St. Joseph's Mission School in Williams Lake, BC. Like the thousands of others forced into the church-run residential school system, they were no strangers to the ongoing difficulties experienced by most Indigenous peoples in Canada.

The couple married in 1964 but brought the trauma of their mission school years into their marriage. The Chelseas' struggle with alcohol came to an abrupt halt in 1971 when their daughter, Ivy, then aged seven, stated that she and her brothers did not want to live with their parents because of the drinking, that they would stay with their Grandmother. Andy and Phyllis chose sobriety to preserve their family. This decision sparked a lifetime of activism for the couple. Throughout the twenty-seven years Andy was Chief of the Alkali Lake Esk'et First Nation, the Chelseas worked to eradicate alcoholism and took steps to overcome the rampant intergenerational trauma that existed for the people of Alkali Lake. Their efforts, their story and the perseverance of the members of their village have inspired Indigenous groups facing similar struggles throughout the world. Resolve is a personal and deeply moving story that calls for a closer look at the status of Canada's reconciliation efforts.

Carolyn Parks Mintz is an author, freelance journalist and public speaker and was twice nominated as a Woman of Distinction. She was the producer, writer and host of the radio talk show *Ontario's West Coast Today* in 2008 and authored *The Eye of the Dragon: Women, Cancer and Courage*, for which she received the Global Calgary Woman of Vision award.



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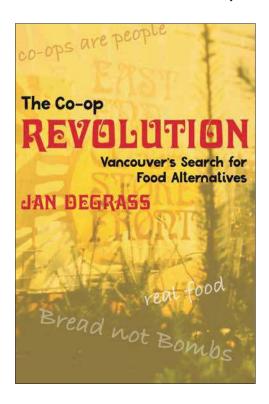
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THE CO-OP REVOLUTION

VANCOUVER'S SEARCH FOR FOOD ALTERNATIVES

BY JAN DEGRASS



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SOC055000 SOCIAL / SCIENCE Agriculture & Food In the spring of 1975, a free-spirited Jan DeGrass backpacked across Canada in search of adventure and greater meaning in life. When she arrived in Vancouver, she met a group of people committed to social change; together they reimagined the food industry in BC.

In The Co-op Revolution: Vancouver's Search for Food Alternatives, author and journalist DeGrass writes about her journey as a founding member of the Collective Resource and Services Workers' Co-op. Bounding to life during the heady, activist, grant-funded years of 1974-1980, the CRS Co-op became one of the most successful co-ops in BC and was committed to co-operation and worker ownership. The decade of the seventies is remembered for its new wave of co-ops, but CRS was unique in its success. Among its many accolades, it created the Tunnel Canary cannery, the Queenright Co-operative Beekeepers, Vancouver's popular Uprising Breads Bakery and a food wholesaler, which later became Horizon Distributors. The economic, political and social skyline of Vancouver was changing. For some, the co-op movement was about crushing capitalism; for others it was simply about buying cheap, wholesome food from people they trusted, and living in communal camaraderie. No matter the pursuit, co-operation was the answer.

Jan DeGrass is the Arts & Entertainment columnist for Sechelt's Coast Reporter and editor of Coast Life magazine. DeGrass received a national award for a business article that furthered Canadian cooperative literature, and she was a winner for Best Coverage of the Arts by the Canadian Community Newspapers Association. She is the author of a credit union history book and her first novel, Jazz with Ella (2012), based on her student experiences in Russia. Her short stories have appeared in Canadian Living, Chatelaine and Room.





ON THE CURVE

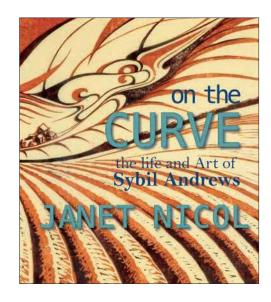
THE LIFE AND ART OF SYBIL ANDREWS

BY JANET NICOL

Sybil Andrews was one of Canada's most prominent artists working throughout the late twentieth century. From a cottage by the sea in Campbell River, Andrews created striking linocut prints steeped in feeling and full of movement. Inspired by the working-class community in which she lived, her art is known for its honest depiction of ordinary people at work and play on Canada's West Coast.

On the Curve focuses on Andrews' life after she immigrated to Canada from England in 1947. Settling in Campbell River, Andrews taught private art and music lessons and created artwork that gained her recognition across the globe. In the final years of her life, retrospective exhibitions of her prints in Canada and Britain skyrocketed her popularity. Prints of her artwork became even more valuable after her death in 1992. In this first fully illustrated biography, author Janet Nicol weaves together stories from Andrews' letters, diaries and interviews, creating a portrait of this determined, resilient and gifted British-Canadian artist. Andrews' work is as popular today as it was in her lifetime and continues to celebrate the cultural, industrial, agricultural and natural world of Canada's West Coast.

Janet Nicol is a freelance writer with a special interest in art, history and social justice. She has written more than 350 articles for 47 magazines. She has volunteered for the BC Labour Heritage Centre, Room magazine and the British Columbia Historical Federation. She has a master's degree from the University of British Columbia and was the recipient of the British Columbia Historical Federation's Anne and Philip Yandle Best Article Award in 2013.



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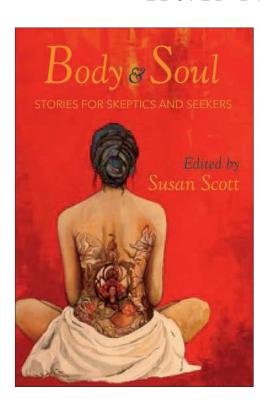




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Body & Soul: Stories for Skeptics and Seekers is a spiritual journey through experiences that can be liberating but also awkward and sometimes even dangerous, because women are so often excluded from conversations about spirituality. Liberation comes with breaking that age-old code of silence to talk about the messiness of faith, practice, religion and ceremony, to confess our sublimely unconventional modes of spiritual yearning. The writers in this volume, including Sharon Bala, Carleigh Baker, Eufemia Fantetti, Sue Goyette, K.D. Miller, Zarqa Nawaz, Alison Pick, Sigal Samuel, Ayelet Tsabari, Betsy Warland and others, many from marginalized or misunderstood communities, are speaking out so that others will speak up. Enough of fear. Enough of hiding out, tonguetied. It's time for joy, humanity and frankness. It's time to step up and lead—not by running after answers, but by asking caring, daring questions. It's time for body and soul.

Susan Scott is the author of Temple in a Teapot and a memoir-in-progress, Sainted Dirt: Reckonings with Land, Language, Family and Imperfect Teaware. As a community builder, she works with artists, scholars and activists to release powerful, transgressive stories that inspire grassroots change and healing. As The New Quarterly's nonfiction editor, she directs Write on the French River Creative Writing Retreat and serves as associate director of the Wild Writers Literary Festival. Susan has lived in Toronto, Montreal and in towns and cities across the US. She makes her home in Waterloo, Ontario, on the Haldimand Tract, in the heart of the Great Lakes basin.





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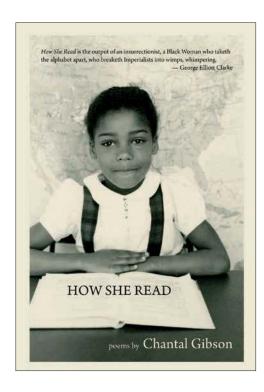
BY CHANTAL GIBSON

How She Read is a collection of genre-blurring poems about the representation of Black women, their hearts, minds and bodies, across the Canadian cultural imagination.

Drawing from grade-school vocabulary spellers, literature, history, art, media and pop culture, Gibson highlights the imperialist ideas embedded in everyday things, from storybooks to coloured pencils, from paintings to postage stamps. As Gibson dismantles the grammar of her Queen Elizabeth English, sister scholars talk back, whisper, suck teeth, curse and carry on from canonized texts, photographs and art gallery walls, reinterpreting their image, re-reading their bodies and claiming their space in a white, hegemonic landscape.

Gibson reveals the dehumanizing effects of mystifying and simplifying images of Blackness. Harriet Tubman and Viola Desmond shed light on the effects of erasure in the time of reconciliation and the dangers of squeezing the past into a Canada History Minute or a single postage stamp. Centrefolds Delia and Marie Therese discuss their naked Black bodies and what it means to be enslaved, a human subject of art and an object of science, while Veronica? tells it like it is, what it means to hang with the Group of Seven on the walls of the Art Gallery of Ontario amongst the lakes, the glaciers, the mountains and the dying trees. How She Read leaves a Black mark on the landscape as it illustrates a writer's journey from passive receiver of racist ideology to active cultural critic in the process of decolonizing her mind.

Chantal Gibson's work has been published in Room magazine and Making Room: 40 years of Room Magazine (Caitlin Press, 2017), and she was shortlisted for PRISM magazine's 2017 Poetry Prize. An award-winning teacher, she teaches writing and visual communication in the School of Interactive Arts & Technology at Simon Fraser University.



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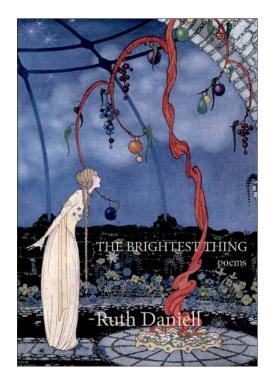


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BY RUTH DANIELL



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Ruth Daniell is an award-winning writer whose poems have appeared in *Arc Poetry Magazine*, *Grain*, *Room* magazine, *Qwerty*, the *Antigonish Review* and *Event*. The recipient of the 2013 Young Buck Poetry Prize with *CV2* and the winner of the 2016 Nick Blatchford Occasional Verse Contest with *The New Quarterly*, Daniell is also the editor of *Boobs: Women Explore What It Means to Have Breasts* (Caitlin Press, 2016). She holds a bachelor of arts degree (honours) in English literature and writing from the University of Victoria and a master of fine arts in creative writing from the University of British Columbia. She lives with her family in Kelowna, BC.



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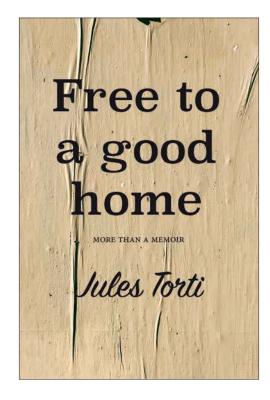
BY JULES TORTI

The German word *zugunruhe* translates as the "stirring before moving." It's used to describe birds and herds of animals, like wildebeests, before the great migration. Though Jules Torti is neither German nor a wildebeest, she understands this marrow-deep anxiousness all too well; she is just someone looking for a home.

Free to a Good Home is evidence of Torti's lifelong commitment to feeling at home where it mattered most: within herself. At eighteen, with one thousand dollars in her bank account, she moved to the West Coast from Ontario to find "her people." She headed specifically to Davie Street—that's where all the gays were! Finding a girlfriend proved to be elusive, but she learned a lot of Pet Shop Boys lyrics and studied everything by Jane Rule and Chrystos for guidance.

For many the path to home is never linear, and so Torti continued searching. She prepped chimpanzees breakfast in the Congo, searched for her own breakfast in the dumpsters of Vancouver's back alleys, longed for a home of bricks and mortar (or log or stone), but she knew her greatest sense of home would be found in a person, the missing her. At turns poignant, hilarious and uncannily familiar, Free to a Good Home explores what it means to call a place home when life oddly mirrors a choose-your-own-adventure storybook.

Jules Torti has been published in the Vancouver Sun, the Globe and Mail, Mabuhay, Coast Mountain Culture Magazine, Matador Network, Massage Therapy Canada and Canadian Running. She contributes regularly to Realtor's blog Living Room and is currently the editor in chief of Harrowsmith magazine. She has had short stories published in a dozen lesbian anthologies, including a lesbian erotica story published in The Mammoth Book of Erotica (Running Press, 2000). She now lives happily ever after with her partner in Lion's Head, Ontario.



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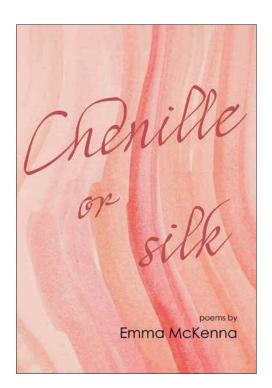
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Chenille or Silk is a startling first collection of confessional poetry examining the slippery relations of desire, class, embodiment and trauma. Emma McKenna's writing traverses the bounds and the wounds of a family marked by poverty and intergenerational trauma. The collection asserts the primacy of intimacy and sexuality to subjectivity, as the poems move through the struggle to find identity, love and belonging in an urban queer community's ever-shifting economy of desire. Striking, brave and at times uncomfortable, Chenille or Silk captures the ambivalence—and the hope—of possibility.

Emma McKenna is a multidisciplinary writer and scholar. Her previous work as a musician includes the LP Run With It and digital EPs The Might and What It Becomes. Emma holds a PhD in English and cultural studies (ABD, McMaster University), and is an educator on social justice, intersectional feminism and sexuality studies. Emma's academic writing can be found in Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy, Women: A Cultural Review, Atlantis: Critical Studies in Gender, Culture and Social Justice and Review of Education, Pedagogy, and Cultural Studies. Emma lives with her partner in Hamilton, Ontario, Chenille or Silk is her first book.



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