

Giramondo Publishing warmly invites you to the launch on 7th April 2016 of the new poetry collection by

Hazel Smith



to be launched by Joy Wallace on Thursday 7 April 6.00 for 6.30pm at Gleebooks 49 Glebe Pt Rd, Glebe RSVP: 02 9660 2333

Hazel Smith's new collection engages in a direct way with contemporary political and social issues – civil war and the flight of populations, oppressive regimes and the disappearance of dissidents, the unpredictable effects of climate change – relating these to the personal experience of death and dementia, abuse and disability and voluntary childlessness. The poems project states of indecisiveness, anxiety and guilt, making use of surreal conjunctions and metaphor to dramatise the sense of unease. Hazel Smith is a new media artist and performer, and the poems employ a variety of techniques from these fields, flourishes of linguistic coloratura, the evocation of virtual realities, cutting and pasting from the internet, remixing, sampling and quotation, to drive home their effects.

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