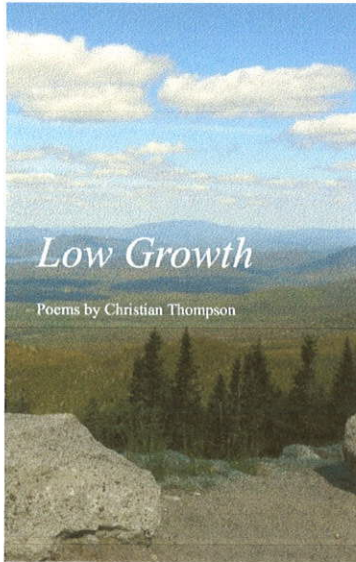


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For a reading and discussion of *Low Growth, Poems by Christian Thompson*

Friday, December 13th 7-8 PM



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Christian C. Thompson is married, has three children, and lives in a suburb of Philadelphia, PA. He runs his own small litigation law firm with offices in Bala Cynwyd and Center City Philadelphia. He graduated Sarah Lawrence College in 1976 and The Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in 1979. His poems, essays, and short fiction have appeared in *The American Poetry Review*, *The Kenyon Review Online*, *The Amherst Review*, *Appalachia*, *Caveat Lector*, *The Aurean*, as well as other journals and magazines. In 2012, an earlier version of *Low Growth* was awarded the distinction of "Other Remarkable Work" in the 2012 Tupelo Press Open Reading Contest. He is the Literary Executor for Hayden Carruth, one of the most important and influential American poets and critics of the 20th century.

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