Body Language: Poems of the Medical Training Experience

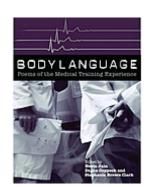
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Body Language: Poems of the Medical Training Experience is an anthology comprised of poems by physicians and medical students chronicling their unique, often harrowing experiences. The anthology is broken into six sections: Medical Student, First Year; Second Year; Clinical Years; Intern; Resident, and Attending. The collection is truly unique in medical literature. With trained physicians who are also skilled poets addressing a diverse range of medical situations, Body Language offers fascinating insight into the inner world of people who regularly face life-and-death decisions.

Exposed (to her cadaver)

by Rishi Doshi

My fingers course Through rivers of blood Parched from seasons without rain A man once despaired To hold you so close Yet never could see what I've seen I must apologize For not being gentle This heartstring of yours Must snap in the name of our intimacy And your loveable idiosyncrasies I call anomaly As per the instructions I commit you To bits of fleeting recollection And my gratitude, May only show when I too am discarded To lie with decades exposed A gift preserved in petals Of desiccated rose



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