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## BOOKS

Forthcoming:

*Breathing The Page: Reading The Act of Writing* (28 new and revised essays). Second edition. Toronto: Cormorant Books; 2023. 210 p.

*Bloodroot* (lyric prose memoir) with new long essay by Warland and Foreword by Susan Olding), second edition. Toronto, Ontario: Inanna Press/York University; 2022. 224 p. Also available in audiobook format.

*Lost Lagoon/Lost in Thought* (prose poems). Halfmoon Bay, BC: Caitlin Press; 2020. 110 p. Also available in eBook format.

*Oscar of Between: A Memoir of Identity and Ideas* (lyric prose). Halfmoon Bay, BC: Caitlin Press; 2016. 224 p. Also available in eBook format.

*Breathing the Page: Reading the Act of Writing* (24 essays). Toronto: Cormorant Books; 2010. 180 p.

*Only This Blue* (long poem and essay). Toronto: Mercury Press; 2005. 112 p.

*Bloodroot: Tracing the Untelling of Motherloss* (lyric prose). Toronto: Second Story Press; 2000. 200 p.

*What Holds Us Here* (poetry). Ottawa: Buschek Books; 1998. 144 p.

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*Kwe* (prose). Toronto: Penguin Canada; 2014; p. 67.

*Force Field Anthology* (poems). Salt Spring Island, BC: Mother Tongue Publishing; 2013; p. 358–61.

*Planet Earth Poetry Anthology* (prose). Lantzville, BC: Leaf Press; 2013; p. 174–75.

*West Coast Literary Portraits* (prose). Salt Spring Island, BC: Mother Tongue Publishing; 2012; p. 206–07.

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*Lesbian Embodied Self-Writing* (essay). New York, London, Oxford: Haworth Press; 2000; p. 141–48.

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*Sounding Differences: Conversations with Seventeen Canadian Women Writers* (interview and essay). Toronto: University of Toronto Press; 1993; p. 195–99, 301–15.

*Anatomy of Gender* (essay). Ottawa: Carleton University Press; 1992; p. 248–58.

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## DRAMA AND MUSIC

*Camouflage Complex* one-act opera by Lloyd Burritt, based on my memoir *Oscar of Between*.  
Premiere at Vancouver Public Library downtown branch, June 2022.

*How Bodies Leave Ecstatic Marks* (CD by Elizabeth Raum whose title and one song cycle are based on my suite of poems "Dark Thoughts"). CMC; May 2007. Winner of Western Canadian Music Award, 2008. Song cycle premiered in Saskatoon, 1999.

"Yellow the Sweet Ache" (song cycle based on my suite of poems in *What Holds Us Here*). Premiered in Vancouver, 2000.

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*Viva* (operatic play). Workshopped by the New Play Centre, Vancouver, 1992.