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Poetry book by Oakland lawyer and poet Richard Krech released

Somerville, Mass. (November 21) – Oakland lawyer Richard Krech, whose poetry writing career goes back to a 1967 release printed by d.a. levy, will have his latest title released November 30 by Somerville, Massachusetts publisher sunnyoutside. The collection of poetry titled *Rumors of Electricity* (ISBN 0-9769857-5-6) is a limited edition of 200 featuring seventeen travel-inspired poems and a letterpress-printed cover.

Krech, who practices law in Oakland, says the idea of a geographically-themed collection was that of editor David McNamara. This theme wound up covering a range of poems from Krech's past. He explains: "The two poems from Afghanistan, 'Chahar Square' and 'Sitting Here,' as well as 'Boulevard Ché Guevara,' were written in the seventies. The rest were all written in the last few years with the exception of 'In the Blue Room,' which was written in Sidi Ifni in 1989."

Krech continues: "I stopped writing poetry in the mid-seventies and didn't begin again until earlier this century. 'In the Blue Room' was not written as a poem but just as notes of my journey, which later got turned into a poem." In this time he has built up quite the bibliography—appearing in journals ranging from the Thurston Moore-edited *Ecstatic Peace Poetry Journal* to *The Legal Studies Forum*, published by the College of Law at the University of West Virginia.

The cover of *Rumors of Electricity* was designed and letterpress-printed by Kseniya Thomas of Thomas Printers. Based in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Thomas learned the printing trade as an apprentice at the Gutenberg Museum in Mainz, Germany.

Richard Krech will be supporting the release with readings in the Bay Area. Details of the readings are forthcoming.

Rumors of Electricity retails for \$8 and is available directly from the publisher (www.sunnyoutside.com) and select bookstores.

About sunnyoutside

Sunnyoutside, an independent press, was founded in the autumn of 2005 following publisher David McNamara's graduation from Emerson College's Certificate in Publishing graduate program. Sunnyoutside is a member of both the Fine Press Book Association and the Letterpress Guild of New England. For more information and a complete list of available titles visit www.sunnyoutside.com.

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