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Eating Her Wedding Dress: Where fashion meets poetry

Princeton, NJ. Sometimes clothing is sheer poetry, whether it's a hat from a Paris boutique, a pair of children's shoes riddled with holes, or the wink of thong above a waistband. All of these garments and more have been altered into literary acts of beauty and stitched together in a new anthology called *Eating Her Wedding Dress: A Collection of Clothing Poems*.

Published by Ragged Sky Press of Princeton, *Eating Her Wedding Dress* features 100 poems—old and new, witty and blue—by both emerging poets and literary luminaries such as Margaret Atwood, Paul Muldoon, Billy Collins, Charles Simic, Jorie Graham, Maxine Kumin, Elaine Equi, and Kim Addonizio. Copies are available through www.raggedsky.com or online booksellers.

The Arts Council of Princeton is hosting a launch party for *Eating Her Wedding Dress* on Friday, April 3, from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. The public is invited to listen to seventeen poets read from the book, meet the poets and editors, and partake of free wine and refreshments, including a wedding dress cake. Creative attire is optional. The event will take place at the Paul Robeson Center for the Arts, 102 Witherspoon Street in Princeton. For information, call (609) 924-8777, or visit www.artscouncilofprinceton.org.

Gallery 125 in Trenton has launched *Threads*, a special exhibit on clothing in the visual arts, and will be hosting a reading by 7 of the *Eating Her Wedding Dress* poets on Friday, April 10, from 7 to 9 pm. The gallery is located at 125 South Warren Street in Trenton, and can be contacted at (609) 989-9119 or www.gallery125.com.

Ragged Sky Press was founded in 1992 by Princeton poet and publisher Ellen Foos as a labor of love, dedicated to promoting the writing and reading of poetry and other works of creative genius. Foos's poetry has appeared in *U.S. 1 Worksheets*, *The Kelsey Review*, *Edison Literary Review*, and *Sensations*. She was the recipient of a fellowship to the MacDowell Colony in 2007.

For the publishing of *Eating Her Wedding Dress*, Ellen was joined by two co-editors. Vasiliki Katsarou of Annandale, NJ, is a first-generation Greek-American poet and translator of French and Modern Greek. She is a graduate of Harvard College and has written and directed an award-winning 35mm film called *Fruitlands 1843*. Her poems have appeared in *U.S. 1 Worksheets* and *wicked alice*. Ruth O'Toole of Morristown, NJ, is the author of *Otsu and Other Poems* (2007, Bronze by Gold Press), a collection of poems inspired by Miyamoto Musashi's *Book of Five Rings*. Her novel *Clarissa@Loveless.com* was published serially by classicnovels.com in 2002.

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