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Hunger Wide as Heaven won the Cleveland State University Poetry Center Open Competition in 2005, and is the author's second book. A first book, The Postal Confessions, won the Juniper Prize for Poetry in 1995. Hunger Wide as Heaven is a book about childhood, religious faith, allegiance to place, and coming of age in a world where direction is often hard to find. One reviewer, Ron Wallace, described it this way—"Simultaneously elegy and celebration, the poems explore themes of time and mortality, God and faith, memory and redemption, with a meditative serenity and urgency, in an affectionate accessible voice."