



Girl, World (Paperback)

By Alex Poppe

Laughing Fire Press, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Girl, World is a collection of stories of female survival: the discovery of untapped strength and the metamorphosis into becoming whole. Mixing lyricism, stark realism, emotional depth and vivacious language, Alex Poppe has crafted unforgettable characters navigating through places where the big political story is beautifully captured in the small personal story. In this poignant, topical debut collection, readers travel from the confinement of the Occupied Territories to the wilds of Northern Iraq, from hipster Brooklyn to Bosnian brothels, charting a heart-pounding emotional landscape. Characters bend the concept of family as they struggle with the grief, betrayal, violence, and alienation that redefine who they are. Weaving magical realism with local topography, the imagery, empathy, and testimony of these stories celebrate the fragile grandeur of everyday life. Be they women who can fly or women on the run, Poppe's heroines navigate heartbreak with grace. The Crystal Fairies introduces Seraphina, born with the traces of a doily spread across her back. When she feels scared, iridescent, granite-colored wings emerge from the grooves in her skin, making her a monstrous oddity. In Kurdistan, newly-orphaned teenager....

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