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## Animals the Size of Dreams

by

Lisa Krueger

Lisa C. Krueger is the author of two books of poetry, *Rebloom* (Red Hen Press, 2005) and *Animals the Size of Dreams* (Red Hen Press, 2009). She also has written a series of interactive journals related to psychology and creativity. Her poetry has appeared in numerous publications. As a clinical psychologist she maintains a private therapy practice focused on women's issues, writing therapy and the role of creativity in wellness. She lives in Pasadena with her husband and three children.

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*Animals the Size of Dreams*

Poetry by Lisa Krueger

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### Praise for *Animals the Size of Dreams*

Lisa Krueger's poems cradle "brutal sounds of self, / what must be heard, / what said." Whether the focus is a child who cuts herself to make sure she's alive or the mother who cannot see her daughter's wounds, this poet responds with deep empathy—listening and speaking. This book deals with the helplessness of a mother witnessing a child's suffering until the thousand cranes her classmates fold soar on her last breath. These poems are as wild as a hawk in the kitchen, as nourishing as crusty loaves, hot from the oven.

—Peggy Shumaker

Lisa C. Krueger's second collection holds us close as a mother bears witness to her own child's mortality and to other forces that can tear the very framework of a home. These are poems of troubled harbor, where Krueger gives us an anchor amid the unimaginable. As a poet and psychologist, Krueger is a champion of creative fertility, the dark places, and the floral blossoming of human connection that makes the unfathomable bearable. A moving, inspirational, and life-affirming book.

—Jenny Factor

The world of ANIMALS THE SIZE OF DREAMS is full of anguish, redeemed by moments of beauty, transcendence, and hard-won understanding. In these concise, well-crafted meditations, Lisa C. Krueger faces pain head-on, and faces it down.

—Charles Harper Webb