

Nadine McInnis

2016 Ottawa Book Awards Finalist

Title: *Delirium for Solo Harp*
Category: Non-fiction



How do we accompany someone we love through the process of dying? This is the question explored in this work, in which the harp is a stand-in for the visceral aspects of being human. In these unflinching poems about the final days of her father's life, Nadine McInnis accompanies him, tuned and attuned to the music of memory and of mourning.

Nadine McInnis is the author of nine books of poetry, short fiction and literary criticism. She is a past winner of the Ottawa Book Award and has been shortlisted for many literary prizes, including the international Frank O'Connor Short Story Award, the Pat Lowther Award and the ReLit Award. She teaches writing in the Professional Writing program at Algonquin College.

The Ottawa Book Awards and *Prix du livre d'Ottawa* recognize the top English and French books published in the previous year. Both awards have separate categories for fiction and non-fiction. All shortlisted finalists receive \$1,000 and each winner receives a prize of \$7,500.

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