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## The Far Republics



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Winner of The Vern Rutsala Poetry Prize

### *The Far Republics,* **Poems by Christopher Buckley**

Published by Cloudbank Books, *The Far Republics* was awarded the Vern Rutsala Book Prize in 2017. A distinguished Oregon poet, Rutsala authored more than a dozen poetry books, including *The Moment's Equation*, a finalist for the National Book Award in 2003.

Christopher Buckley has published twenty-one books of poetry, several chapbooks and limited editions, and three memoirs. He is the editor of six poetry anthologies as well as critical books on several modern poets. Buckley is the recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship in Poetry, two National Endowment for the Arts Grants, a Fulbright Award, four Pushcart prizes, and two

awards from the Poetry Society of America, among other awards.

### **Praise for The Far Republics**

*The Far Republics* is expansive—an exuberant sensibility, but rueful. The public poems relish detail—all the brand names of the time are woven into a private living-as-it-goes account that also can't forget what could have been. You can't help but being swept into the flood. —Dennis Schmitz

Whether he is addressing his departed friend(s) . . . or the great swell of the Pacific Ocean that haunts his dreams, the voice is always the same, modest and direct. This is a humble poetry of great truths and profound emotions . . . —Philip Levine, writing in *Ploughshares*

Christopher Buckley's gift for wide-ranging thinking meshes so gracefully with lovingly tender details; he feels like a companion voice for all time—a Hikmet, a Neruda, yes. —Naomi Shihab Nye

. . . just like watching a Francis Ford Coppola movie where all the details are exact, all the details make it true. Buckley . . . makes sure you are hearing the right sound, fills the mirror in the corner with the proper reflection, colours in the edges of the image until you are there breathing it in. Buckley's poems are small stories that spin out so large you can't help but get caught up in the vortex . . .

—Michael Dennis, *Today's Book of Poetry* reviewing  
*Star Journal: Selected Poems* in the *James Dickey Review*

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