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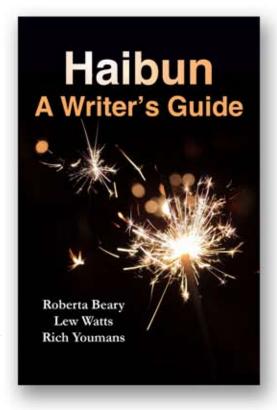
## Haibun: A Writer's Guide

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Haibun—the ancient Japanese form combining haiku and prose—has, over the past decades, been adopted and adapted by writers worldwide. *Haibun: A Writer's Guide* is the first book-length exploration of haibun's evolution, and reveals how to read, write, and delight in this dynamic hybrid form. It includes:

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