

## **Oversteps News 22**

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Two new Oversteps books have appeared while summer holidays were in full swing. Both of them will bring cheer to poetry-lovers as the days get shorter – and both would make excellent Christmas presents.

**Credentials** by R V Bailey (ISBN 978-906856-31-1). £10.





Rosie Bailey is well-known as a poet, reader and competition judge, both by herself and with her late partner, U A Fanthorpe. Her gentle humour sparkles through this collection, as well as acute observation and moving poems of love and loss.

festo: celebrating winter and Christmas by Alwyn Marriage (ISBN 978-1-906856-32-8). £8.

When Anne Born published my last collection, *Touching Earth* in 2007, she encouraged me to put together some of my poems about winter and Christmas – which I have finally done. There's plenty of new material here for use at events, readings and services in the depths of winter: some humorous, some reflective. The book starts in March and ends in February, with an emphasis on mid-winter.





All Oversteps books, along with a sample poem from each collection, can be seen on our website, and can be ordered either by post or on-line from www.overstepsbooks.com.

This year's Oversteps Day at Ways with Words, Dartington, was a huge success, enjoyed by large and enthusiastic audiences and also by all the poets who were reading. Events coming up in September include a reading by A C Clarke from her recent collection, *Fr Meslier's Confession*, at the Rosslyn Chapel just outside Edinburgh at 7.30pm on 12<sup>th</sup> September; then Oversteps poets reading at this year's Poetry on the Lake in Italy from 27- 30 September will include Christopher North, Michael Swan, Caroline Carver and Alwyn Marriage.

The next two books, by John Daniel and Rebecca Bilkau, will be out within a couple of months. More information in due course.

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