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NEW MICHIGAN PRESS IS PLEASED to announce the release of Jessica Johnson's *In Absolutes We Seek Each Other*. We love this chapbook, the 2014 winner of the NMP/DIAGRAM chapbook contest, and are pleased to publish it to lead off our 2014 chapbook series.

Joanna Klink says: "Johnson's poems, full of quiet and gracious observation, are acts of kinship-in-strangeness with the natural world. Even the slightest creatures are alive with vision."

And Kathleen Flenniken adds: "For a moment, reader, as you orient yourself in one of Jessica Johnson's poems, you might classify a scene as quiet and scientific, or moody, wet, and metrical; then a shift and, god, it's luminous and grief-struck and haunting and it's yours. The linked poems in the book's first section are a feat of beauty: transformation and lost innocence set in a glimmering laboratory. The second section of ocean dwellers, anatomies, and sea-soaked lyrics is equally remarkable. Jessica Johnson is a true discovery."

We concur! So, it's available by mail, at excellent independent booksellers, at Amazon, or best, from our storefront at: newmichiganpress.com/nmp. Here's the lowdown on the chapbook: 2014. Perfect-bound, 60pp. ISBN 978-1-934832-44-8. Information & for bookstore orders, email us at nmp@thediagram.com.

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The greenhouse ceiling opens on its gears:
a season out of season.
Breathing plants enrich the air.
In a glass house, revelation.

I am only eye and ear.
No one here will know me.
The wall of panes, milked up, repaints
a tour group as shapes, cascading.

What is a ghost but memory, a net
un-bodied, sweeping through a place?
Passing through a bit of past to see
what catches in the throat.

