

Maiden Names



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Dyar's Maiden Names demonstrates why this young poet is viewed by many in Irish poetry circles as a major emerging talent. Having garnered several prestigious honors, including the Strokestown International Poetry Award and the Patrick Kavanagh Award, Dyar's poetry is the product of a passionate and fastidious attention to poetic craft, a careful selection of subject matter, and an uncommonly vivid rendering of character. The monologue poems, with their compelling accounts of rural life, recall the colloquial and dramatic mastery of Robert Frost, while the explorations of Irish landscape and wildlife will prompt many readers to draw comparisons with Ted Hughes and Dylan Thomas.