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Jude Dillon: Five Poems

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Jude Dillon was born in Kingston, Ontario, Canada. He attended Rockwell College, in Ireland, and holds a degree in English from Queens University (at Kingston). He also studied painting and the visual arts, at a college in Kingston, and later at an arts college in Calgary.

He spent a number of years as a news-photographer, winning several awards. He has published two collections of poetry. Jude enjoys reading poetry aloud, and creating an edge with an audience. He spent some time in Berkeley, California hanging out at cafes and taking writing courses at the University there. Walks to the café with his camera, and guitar playing are distractions that inspire. These poems are from a new manuscript called *Blue Noir*. He lives in Calgary, Alberta.

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Give me icy moonlight in tall glasses facing the water
with the right woman for someone else

the fire of smoky orchards straggles home
the turbulence of a world called summer hurls me toward your sensitivity

and the love I have
for autumn

Where did you go after I was out of sight
wooing
the cold red wine of twilight

the heady feel
of leaving you behind

is wearing
thin

Young people think they can do
what no one else has done

and I thought so too and still do,
but don't broadcast it

a well-trained Sunday
sleeps in with the wine

and the sense of us,
who dance without looking down

Slip
it
in
gently

and
nick
the
artery

on
the
way
out

There'll be other trains
longer stops
strokes of tiny rain
hurrying
down

and crows
sitting in the dark
up in the
trees

sharpening
their
wit

for

the
takeover

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