
"Some of My Best Friends: poetry by Tede Matthews," [1981]GLC 100

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Abstract: Poems written between 1974 and 1981 by gay poet and activist, Tede Matthews.

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Language of Materials: Collection materials are in English.

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Biographical note

Tede Matthews (1951–1993) was a poet and activist. He was a collective member of Modern Times bookstore and organized many literary events around San Francisco. He is perhaps best known for his appearance in the 1977 documentary *Word Is Out: Stories of Some of Our Lives*. His interests included AIDS activism, work in solidarity with anti-imperialist struggles in Central and South America, and projects in support of the people's movement in Chile in the 1970s and the Sandinistas in Nicaragua in the 1980s. Tede died of AIDS in 1993.

Scope and Contents

Poems: Mercy & the Hot Rod (12/72); Cold on a Midnite Lamppost (1/74); Savannah; The Drought Affects the Family Trees (74); Norma Rae (3/5/79); Sexual Terror(3/24/79); Pompeii, for Paul; Somewhere Is Rijeka (11/79); Some People (5/1/80); On the Death of Somoza (10/80); Empty Sugar Bowl Blues (12/80); Survival Song (1/3/81); Queer Bashing (1/4/81); Green (1/19/81); The Sin of Admission (1/15/81); The Last Plunge; Cursed.

Arrangement

Poems appear in original order.

Subjects and Indexing Terms

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