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MY OWN ALPHABET: BOBBIE LOUISE HAWKINS

Coffee House Press announces the publication of My Own Alphabet by Bobbie Louise Hawkins. Each chapter of the book is inspired by a letter of the alphabet: A is for Attitude and Aging; D is for Death and Dying and Domestic Nirvana; H is for Heartbreak. Essays, monologues, stories, journal entries, anonymous notes and selected quotes are developed from musings and memories. In the journey from letter to letter, My Own Alphabet creates a montage of people, places and things in a voice which is sometimes ironic, sometimes tragic, often hopeful, and always engaging. This is the second work of fiction by Hawkins that has been published by Coffee House. In 1984 the press published her novella, One Small Saga. Hawkins has worked as an artist, playwright and actress, in addition to writing both poetry and prose. She currently teaches in Boulder, Colorado. Saga can be ordered through your local bookstore; Alphabet is on the shelf for \$9.95, paperback, 144 pp.