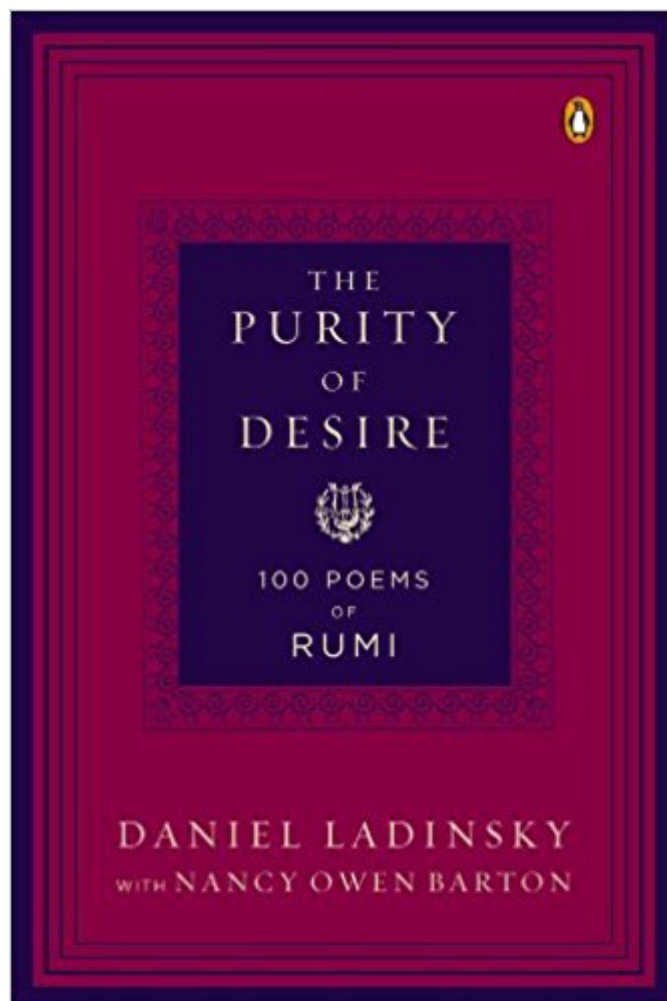


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Praise for Daniel Ladinsky's translation: "There are universes inside Hafiz, a lineage of masters. Daniel Ladinsky follows the playfulness; the rascal moves well."

—Coleman Barks

Daniel Ladinsky's books include *A Year with Hafiz*, *I Heard God Laughing*, *The Subject Tonight Is Love*, and *The Gift*, as well as a collection of translations of poems by twelve mystics and saints, *Love Poems from God*. He lives in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Nancy Owen Barton is a literary agent, educator, and movement therapist. She has collaborated with Ladinsky since the publication of his first Hafiz volume in 1996.

Daniel Ladinsky is probably the foremost American translator of the Sufi poet Hafiz. More Americans know about the Sufi poet Rumi, in large part because of the translations of Coleman Barks, yet Hafiz will win you over if given the chance. Sufi's are deep spiritually and poetically.

I absolutely love this book. I read one poem a night and am impressed by the beautiful translation and the easy layout of the book. I would definitely buy more books by Daniel Ladinsky again!

Always love his work.

This is such a treat...what a playful sense of humor!

I had been waiting for the release of Mr. Ladinsky's book of Rumi translations, and ordered it as soon as it was released. His work on the writings of Hafiz in multiple volumes has been a joy of my spiritual life. I have read them over and over. I knew Mr Ladinsky would do the same masterful work on Rumi's poetry, and he did. The volume is small but so rich. I hope there will be more translations of Rumi by this excellent writer and poet.

beautiful loving themes of early Muslim metaphysics

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