



## A Diary of Altered Light: Poems

By James Applewhite

Louisiana State University Press, United States, 2006. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 221 x 137 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. Applewhite has undertaken to capture, in the manner of Monet s serial paintings, the momentary registration of light on the world around-and on the world within as well, for light is also the poet s metaphor for meaning and understanding. -Kelly Cherry These poems record the partly predictable, partly random representative days in a year that inspire wonder at their swiftness. Seasonal time is reflected in the changing angle of sunlight, and familial time is marked by birthdays and holiday celebrations. Public events take on both a sense of history and a sense of unreality in the bright glare of media attention and shiny celebrity surfaces. All the various time-orders in which we live overlay one another: a red leaf adrift in a stream is emblematic of autumn s recurrence; after years of marriage, a couple s wedding suddenly seems very close. Spurred by the sensation of accelerating days at the turn of the new millennium, James Applewhite explores the interplay of immediate experience and lasting memory, of continuity and change, over time-that elusive,...

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