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Editorial Review

From Library Journal

Unlike most recent anthologies of American poetry--which, because they are directed largely at an audience of other poets, strive frantically to be as inclusive as possible--Conarroe's selection aims at "the general reader interested in being introduced, in an unhurried way, to some major voices." Selections are from America's greatest and most representative poets: Walt Whitman, Emily Dickinson, Wallace Stevens, William Carlos Williams, Robert Frost, and Langston Hughes. Though one may cavil at particular omissions or inclusions, especially the practice of excerpting Whitman's "Song of Myself," Conarroe's anthology is a superb introduction to the pleasures of poetry for the general reader. The fine introduction and prefaces provide added assistance to those who, starting here, will doubtlessly want to continue exploring poetry. Highly recommended. BOMC selection.

- *Frank J. Lepkowski, Oakland Univ., Rochester, Mich.*

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