

Jean Valentine



Valentine's lyric poems delve into dream lives with glimpses of the personal and political. In the *New York Times Book Review*, David Kalstone said of her work, "Valentine has a gift for tough strangeness, but also a dreamlike syntax and manner of arranging the lines of . . . short poems so as to draw us into the doubleness and fluency of feelings." A respected teacher, she has taught workshops at Columbia University, Sarah Lawrence College, and the 92nd Street Y in New York. A longtime resident of New York City, Valentine was named the State Poet of New York in 2008.