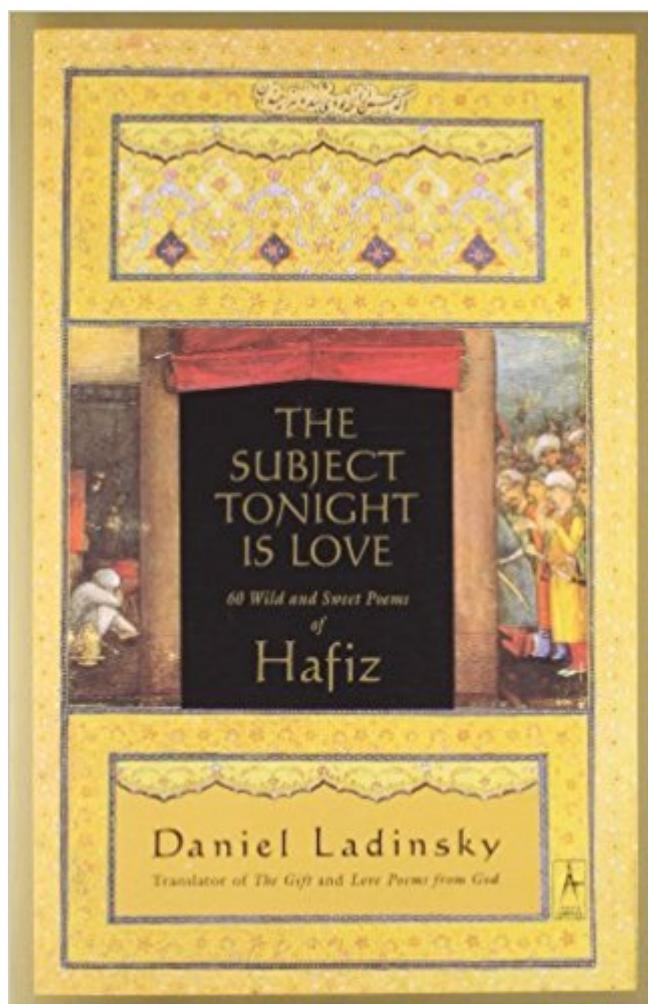


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“There are universes inside Hafiz, a lineage of masters. Daniel Ladinsky follows the playfulness; the rascal moves well.”
•Coleman Barks

Daniel Ladinsky is an acclaimed translator of mystical poetry. For six years, he made his home in a spiritual community in western India, where he worked and lived with the intimate disciples and family of Avatar Meher Baba. This is his fourth volume of Hafiz poetry in translation.

I first heard a poem from this book in a yoga class. I was awestruck by the amazing images, the blending of daily and divine and modernity of the themes! I am equally happy w/ the rest of this collection. I then lost my copy of this at an event last summer. So happy to find a great-priced copy

on . I cannot live without some Hafiz in my life!

Ladinsky does not translate. The word of the author is, the foundation for a flight of spirit. He weaves Hafiz into the present moment with art and love.

Anyone familiar with the late writings of Thomas Merton, especially "Dialogues with Silence" will probably embrace these poems with an open and joyful heart. They are ecumenical in the best sense of that term (as I interpret it) in that the only requirement involved in reading them is no particular theology or religious praxis but merely a sincere longing for the God of Love who is already within us. There are not enough stars in the universe available to rate this book.

Great poetry for end of day; relaxing and thoughtful

I am never disappointed by his wonderful work. The Gift is definitely the best the best Hafiz collection out there. Daniel Ladinsky is the best translator for his work. This belongs in the library of any true Hafiz lover.

I was given this book by my best friend when I got married. It's a wonderful book. I recently gave this to a friend retiring and we both cried as she read a poem from the book. Hafiz has such lovely poems to make us feel good.

Ecstatic poetry with a clear, direct message: Love Transcends All. Here' are selections to inspire, send to fiends, quote to lovers and generally return to again and again.

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