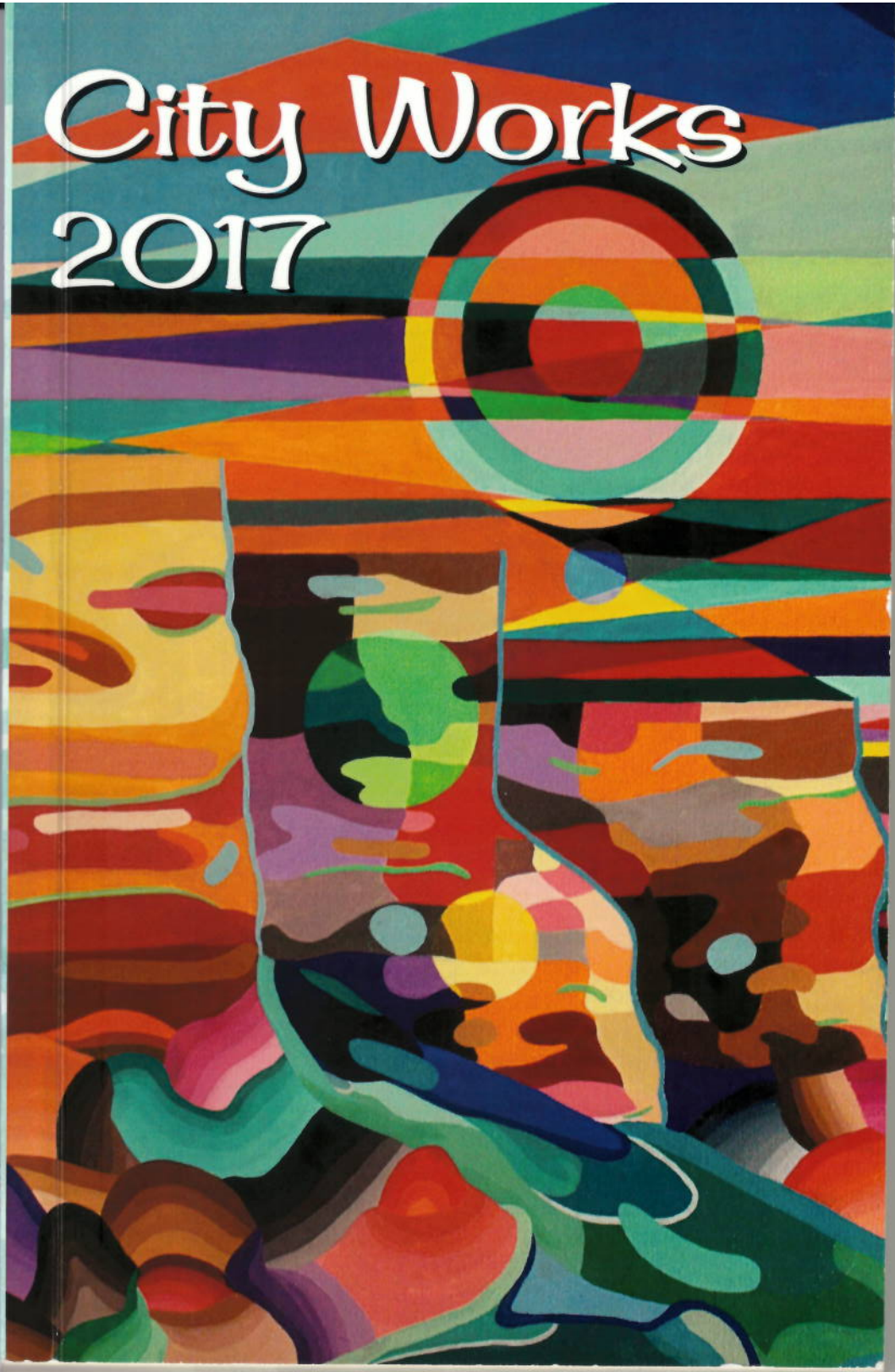


City Works 2017



Nicholas Boushee
New Year's Outfit

I'm trying on optimism for the
day So here's a thank-you note
to delayed Flight #427 out of Fargo on Jan. 2nd

Thank you Flight 427
For the opportunity
to stay at a friend's house
To play his drums
Eat his cornbread
And talk to his wife
Who shared
Red Rock Malbec
Bismarck archeological
artifacts Shattered German
pottery Photos of Bog Bodies
of Otzi the Iceman
Twin Peaks trivia
Recipes for coffee
soup And a playful
dog Named Mr. Ben

Thank you for the lesson
of leaving some room on the
page for new thoughts.
Thank you for Atomic hot coffee
sipped in sub-zero temps.

Thank you delayed Fargo flight
for reintroducing me to -5
degrees, And reminding me why I
left
For reintroducing me to my
friends, And reminding me why I

return.

Thank you optimism
though you still feel
foreign. It will take time
to break you in.