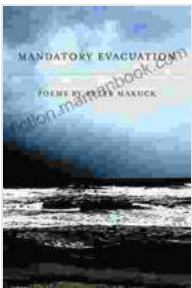


Mandatory Evacuations: A Continuum from American Poets 158

The act of mandatory evacuation is a complex and often fraught one. It is a moment when individuals are forced to leave their homes and communities, often due to an impending natural disaster or other emergency.

For many, mandatory evacuations can be a traumatic experience. They can lead to feelings of displacement, loss, and uncertainty. In some cases, they can even be life-threatening.



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Poets have long explored the theme of mandatory evacuations in their work. In American Poets 158, a special issue of the literary journal American Poets, several poets take on this theme from a variety of perspectives.

In her poem "Evacuate," Tracy K. Smith writes about the experience of being forced to leave her home due to a hurricane. She describes the

feeling of being "uprooted" and the "weight of loss" that she carries with her.

****Evacuate**** by Tracy K. Smith I am uprooted, a tree in a storm, my limb

In "Mandatory Evacuation," Jericho Brown writes about the experience of being forced to leave his home due to a wildfire. He describes the feeling of being "driven out" and the "smoke" that fills his lungs.

****Mandatory Evacuation**** by Jericho Brown I am driven out, a refugee from

In "Leave-Taking," A.E. Stallings writes about the experience of being forced to leave her home due to a flood. She describes the feeling of being "swept away" and the "water" that surrounds her.

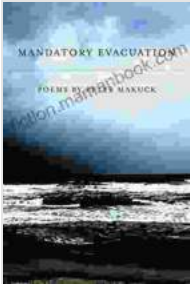
****Leave-Taking**** by A.E. Stallings I am swept away, a leaf in a torrent.

These are just three examples of the many poems that explore the theme of mandatory evacuations in *American Poets 158*. These poems offer a valuable insight into the complex and often traumatic experience of being forced to leave one's home and community.

In addition to the poems mentioned above, *American Poets 158* also includes essays, interviews, and reviews that explore the theme of mandatory evacuations. This issue is a valuable resource for anyone interested in learning more about this important topic.

Here are some additional resources that you may find helpful:

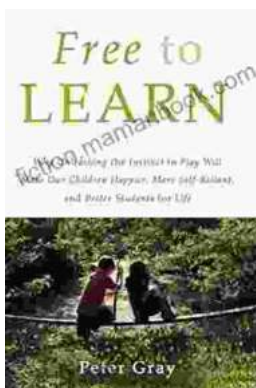
- FEMA: Evacuation Plans
- Ready.gov: Evacuate
- CDC: Hurricane Evacuation



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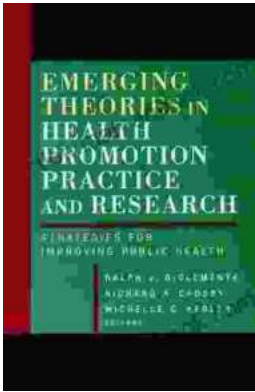
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