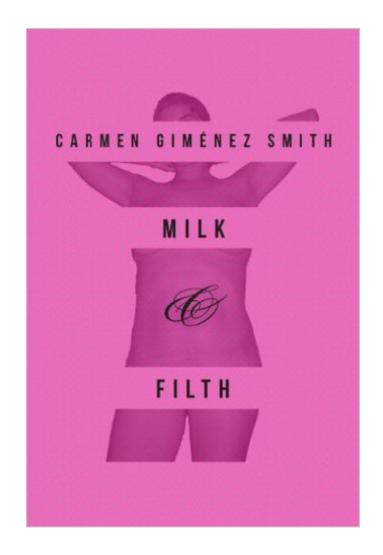
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Adding to the Latina tradition, Carmen Giménez Smith, politically aware and feminist-oriented, focuses on general cultural references rather than a sentimental personal narrative. She speaks of sexual politics and family in a fierce, determined tone voracious in its opinions about freedom and responsibility. The author engages in mythology and art history, musically wooing the reader with texture and voice. As she references such disparate cultural figures as filmmaker Lars Von Trier, Annie from the film Annie Get Your Gun, Nabokovâ ™s Lolita, facebook entries and Greek gods, they appear as part of the poetâ [™]s cultural critique. Phrases such as â œthe caustic domain of urchinsâ • and â œthe gelatin shiver of teaâ ™s surfaceâ • take the poems from lyrical images to comic humor to angry, intense commentary. On writing about a codowngrading into human, a • she says, â œThen what? Amorality, osteoporosis and not even a marble estuary for the ages.â • Giménez Smithâ [™]s poetic arsenal includes rapier-sharp wordplay mixed with humor, at times self-deprecating, at others an ironic comment on the postmodern world, all interwoven with imaginative language of unexpected force and surreal beauty. Revealing a long view of gender issues and civil rights, the author presents a clever, comic perspective. Her poems take the reader to unusual places as she uses rhythm, images, and emotion to reveal the narratorâ [™]s personality. Deftly blending a variety of tones and styles, Giménez Smithâ [™]s poems offer a daring and evocative look at deep cultural issues.

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These poems are so captivating. The entire collection is a force that is both relatable and mind blowing at the same time. Loved it!

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