The Cartographer Tries To Map A Way To Zion
Synopsis

In this collection, acclaimed Jamaican poet Kei Miller dramatizes what happens when one system of knowledge, one method of understanding place and territory, comes up against another. We watch as the cartographer, used to the scientific methods of assuming control over a place by mapping it, is gradually compelled to recognize “even to envy” a wholly different understanding of place, as he tries to map his way to the rastaman’s eternal city of Zion. As the book unfolds the cartographer learns that, on this island of roads that “constrict like throats,” every place-name comes freighted with history, and not every place that can be named can be found.

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Customer Reviews

Having just been to the Caribbean, these poems spoke to me of people and places that were still fresh in my mind. Some of the dialect might be difficult for some readers at first, I recommend reading them aloud, allow the beauty of the language to roll off your tongue.

Bought it for my boyfriend, who loves poetry and he is enjoying it.

A must read!! Kei Miller is genius in this work!

Awesome poetry...captivating!

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