# Natalie Lyalin TRY A LITTLE TIME TRAVEL

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## ABOUT THE BOOK

Try A Little Time Travel is a study of careening through time, danger in the woods, and lost children. It explores the themes of safety and uncertainty in everyday things. It could be a meditation on the monsters all around us. It could be a good argument for the creation of a time machine. Or it could be a great reason not ever to try.

"Natalie Lyalin is writing some of the best poems in the world. There is an evil in her gorgeous poem-hearts. She must have sold her heart to the devil to write like this—so beautiful, so funny and so strange. Her images stack and stack down the page without spilling, each line such a bombshell you'll start reading backward to the first line. These poems are like babies—they will pop out of trees."

—ZACHARY SCHOMBURG

# ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Natalie Lyalin was born in Leningrad and currently lives in Philadelphia. She is the author of *Pink & Hot Pink Habitat* (Coconut Books, 2009) and a graduate of the MFA Program for Poets and Writers at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. She is the co-founder and coeditor of *GlitterPony Magazine*.



#### I LOVE THOSE STAGS

I mounted the fake stag.
This one had necklaces hanging on his antlers.
I predicted he could actually hear me.
I was tired.

See, I had been blanching and icing all day.
Also making delicately fried chicken.
I provided cloth napkins for everyone.
They all came over and we drank.
Some said this was a happy moment.
Some promised to never return.
I mounted a cold fake animal in the night.
The highway glittered out like real America racing in circles.

Why, why, why, did they all not go home?
I provided chicken, napkins, opportunity—all of these things.

Still, those crazy cold stags refused to leave. With a tender stomachache I pretended to dry heave into a bucket.

This sent them galloping into the uncertain night.

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