## Jure Detela Moss & Silver

Translated from the Slovene by Raymond Miller with Tatjana Jamnik

Jure Detela—poet, activist, and mystic—was a key figure in the vibrant avant-garde movement that defined Slovenian culture in the 1980s. The forty-four poems of *Moss & Silver* anticipate the radical environmentalism and animal rights activism of the 21st century while engaging in a passionate dialogue with a wide array of poets. *Moss & Silver (Mah in srebro)*, originally published in 1983, is the first book of Jure Detela's poems to appear in English. This bilingual edition includes an introduction by Slovenian poet and critic Iztok Osojnik and a translator's afterword by Raymond Miller.

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Inside these poems, dirt is clean—insect wings—a cold and bright-lit ringing sound—animals are not afraid abrupt eternity—live forever, Jure Detela!

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**Jure Detela** was born in Ljubljana in 1951. He was an accomplished poet, critic, and art historian who stood somewhat apart from the main currents of the Slovenian avant-garde of the 1980s.

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