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From Library Journal

Major is perhaps best known for his fiction (see *All-Night Visitors*, listed above), but he has been writing poetry for years. This, however, is his first collection in a decade. The unlikely images don't always work, but when they do, "his poetry is excellent."

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