



BLK Bestsellers — Poetry — October 2026

Poetry

#1

When We Talk To God: Prayers And Poems For Black Women

by Sharifa Stevens • Thomas Nelson (May 13,
2025) • 17 Months on List

#2

Soft Hunger: The Yearning

by R.h. Sin • Andrews Mcmeel Publishing
(September 1, 2026) • 1 Months on List

#3

Counting Descent

by Clint Smith • Write Bloody Publishing
(August 1, 2016) • 15 Months on List

#4

Wild Surrender: The Fire

by R.h. Sin • Andrews Mcmeel Publishing
(September 1, 2026) • 1 Months on List

#5

Flowers On The Moon

by Billy Chapata • Andrews Mcmeel Publishing
(October 20, 2020) • 33 Months on List

#6

Salt

by Nayyirah Waheed • Createspace
Independent Publishing Platform (September
24, 2013) • 1 Months on List

#7

Dear Mothership: Poems

by Marcus Wicker • Ecco Press (September 8,
2026) • 1 Months on List

#8

She's Strong, But She's Tired: Volume 3

by R.h. Sin • Andrews Mcmeel Publishing
(September 22, 2020) • 32 Months on List

#9

The Rose That Grew From Concrete

by Tupac Shakur • Mtv Books (November 1,
1999) • 19 Months on List

Tied #10

Call Us What We Carry: Poems

by Amanda Gorman • Viking (January
23, 2024) • 33 Months on List

**Catalog Of Unabashed
Gratitude (pitt Poetry Series)**

Tied #10

by Ross Gay · University Of Pittsburgh
Press (January 7, 2015) · 25 Months on
List

**Phenomenal Woman: Four Poems
Celebrating Women**

#12

by Maya Angelou · Random House (January 17,
1995) · 16 Months on List

**The Collected Poems Of Langston
Hughes**

#13

by Langston Hughes · Vintage (October 31,
1995) · 28 Months on List

**A Beautiful Composition Of
Broken**

#14

by R.h. Sin · Andrews Mcmeel Publishing (July
25, 2017) · 20 Months on List

**The Intentions Of Thunder
(paperback): New And Selected
Poems**

#15

by Patricia Smith · Scribner Book Company
(September 15, 2026) · 1 Months on List

To All The Women I've Ever Loved

#16

by Billy Chapata · Andrews Mcmeel Publishing
(January 20, 2026) · 9 Months on List

**Selected Poems Of Langston
Hughes: A Classic Collection Of
Poems By A Master Of American
Verse**

#17

by Langston Hughes · Vintage (September 12,
1990) · 9 Months on List

The Freedom Of Forward

#18

by Morgan Richard Olivier · Oak Agencies (May
21, 2024) · 17 Months on List

**Poems: Just Give Me A Cool Drink
Of Water 'fore I Diie/oh Pray My
Wings Are Gonna Fit Me Well/and
Still I Rise/shaker, Why Don't You
Sing?**

#19

by Maya Angelou · Bantam (January 1, 1996) ·
26 Months on List

**For Colored Girls Who Have
Considered Suicide/when The
Rainbow Is Enuf**

#20

by Ntozake Shange · Scribner Book Company
(September 1, 1997) · 5 Months on List