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For this 75th anniversary edition of *Poetry Aotearoa Yearbook*, editor Tracey Slaughter rounds up essential new poetry, reviews and essays from both established and emerging New Zealand poets. Another packed issue, #60 showcases the raw and vital in 138 new poems — including from this year's featured poet, Josiah Morgan.

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ABOUT THE EDITOR

Dr Tracey Slaughter is a poet and short story writer. Her books include *Her Body Rises*, *The Longest Drink in Town*, *Deleted Scenes for Lovers*, *Devil's Trumpet* and *The girls in the red house are singing*. She has been widely anthologised and has received numerous awards, including the international Bridport Prize (2014), BNZ Katherine Mansfield Awards (2001 and 2004) and the Manchester Poetry Prize (2023). She teaches creative writing at the University of Waikato. She has been the editor of *Poetry Aotearoa Yearbook* since 2020.

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