



Women
Becoming Poems

*A Santa Fe Anthology of
Women's Voices*

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Quotations
from
Women
Becoming
Poems



Praise to women becoming poems
take time to choose truth...
Praise to women who crochet dreams
of golden wounds...
Praise to women who step down
from man-made heights
singing hymns of birth

*(from "Women Becoming Poems"
by Cynthia Fusillo)*

If this body is beautiful: breasts,
thighs, eyes. Laughter that runs
and falls like hills...
If beauty is this:
sleeping heart, tapping feet,
cooking hands...
If this is beautiful—
and it is, then so am I.

(from "Duet" by Melissa Duran)

This new year I am not the Shawn
who chews her tongue before speech
and answers in her mother's voice...
..... the Shawn I remember
girl child in superman trunks, playing
show me yours, I'll show you mine...

*(from "Awakening To The New Year")
by Shawn Newell*

"Women Becoming Poems basks in the feminine, taking the reader on a journey of mothers and daughters, sisters and lovers, who hold the keys to romance, passion, memory, grief and every emotion a woman can muster. This book tastes deep like kisses, salty like tears, musky like earth, and it makes you want more."

—Lena Bartula, artist, gallery owner, curator, Santa Fe, NM

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