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*Gardening in the Dark*, Kasischke's sixth book of poetry, continues to explore the transformative power of imagination. Her poems take us to the flip side of human consciousness, where anything can happen at any time. Tinged with surrealism, her work makes visionary leaps from the quotidian to sudden, surprising epiphanies.

## **Gardening in the Dark Details**

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## Bonnie says

Great poems.

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## Ellie says

I read this book as an assignment in college and didn't quite get it. I thought now that it's a few years down the road, I might better understand — and I do. But it still took a lot of parsing and quite a bit of guesswork, and I can't say that many of these poems stuck with me, even after all that. My favorites were "Fog" and "World Peace."

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## Sarah Sansolo says

I enjoyed reading these poems but none of them have stuck with me. The line breaks were odd and distracting.

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## Aran says

dark, spiritual, strange

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## Babble says

Rabbit Hole - favorite poem in this collection. If you skim the poems they can't hurt you - but if you \*really\* read be prepared to bleed.

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## Maggie Glover says

I've always admired Kasischke's use of language, in both her fiction and poetry. This book is a wonderful example of her precision; she has a gift for constructing images that are out of this world. One of the poet's strengths is her ability to capture the present, and show the progression of time within one poem. One of this book's memorable moments is the ending stanza of "Inscriptions on Wax Tablets,":

the world  
made of danger, made of weight,  
spun on without me  
and despite me

for someone else's sake.

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### **Jordan says**

Book after book Laura Kasischke teaches me thing about poetry I didn't know I needed to know. Gardening in the Dark is no exception.

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### **Emily says**

I don't often finish poetry books, not even short collections like this, so I guess that says something about Kasischke's poetry.

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