

**Alan Casline Small Press Collection**  
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**SCOPE AND CONTENT:**

This collection consists of broadsides, in booklet, stapled and loose-leaf formats, of poetry by various poets published by Mr. Casline's Benevolent Bird Press and the Rootdrinker Institute, based in Delmar, NY. Also included are a CD of a William Weaver Christman tribute reading in 2007, promotional materials on the Rootdrinker Institute, listings of Rootdrinker "Books in Print" for 2009, a flier on a talk on "Reinhabiting the Northeast" and printed notes from "*You Don't Have to Live Like a Refugee*", a lecture on cultural emergence, creation and discovery given in 2009.

**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:**

Alan Casline graduated from St. Lawrence University in 1973 and received his PhD from SUNY Albany. He established Rootdrinker Institute in 1973 and began publishing *Rootdrinker* magazine in 1975. He has championed local culture, art, music, poetry, organics, and a "back to the land" philosophy through the Rootdrinker Institute and Benevolent Bird Press, as well as through talks, lectures, concerts and other events.

**PROVENANCE:**

Donated by Alan Casline.

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<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Alan Casline Poetry</b> <i>Benevolent Obsessions</i> (1984), Newspace Press <i>Birdsfoot</i> (1985), Newspace Press <i>Blues Experiment</i> (2009), Rootdrinker Institute <i>Chrysalis City in the Clouds</i> (1988), Rootdrinker Institute <i>Copper Coins</i> (2007), Rootdrinker Institute <i>Detective of Happenstance</i> (1983) <i>Grandfather Carp</i> (2009), bRAINdROP bOOKbENDERS <i>Limitation</i> (1980) <i>Mother's Day Gift</i> (2007) <i>Mountains Dance of Tiny Feet</i> (1975), Apollo's Arrow Press <i>Off the Face of a Field of Grass</i> (2008) Photocopied collages (3) Poem on postcard from Casline, Rinconada Canyon, New Mexico (2010) Poem on postcard, untitled, undated <i>Pouring Sun</i> (1974), Rootdrinker Institute <i>Preponderance of the Small</i> (1983) <i>Push Button Romance</i> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> edition (2009), Benevolent Bird Press (2 copies) <i>Shadows/Deadfall</i> (1997) <i>Some Late Thursday Night Poems</i> (2007), Benevolent Bird Press <i>Some Thursday Night Poems</i> (2007), Benevolent Bird Press <i>Thirty Poems</i> , (2009), Foothills Publishing <i>To and From the Gulf of Maine</i> (2008) <i>To and From the Hills of New Mexico</i> (2010) <i>Tread Softly</i>
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*Will Christman Poems* (2008)

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A Document Filed in Opposition to 765KV Power lines, January 6, 1977, prepared by Alan Casline  
Advertisement for "Text As Art," February 28, 2011, prepared by Alan Casline  
Albert Glover photograph, taken by Alan Casline  
"An Afternoon of Poetry, Fiction, Essay presented by The Delmar Writers'," advertisement, Bethlehem, New York, September 21, 2008  
Correspondence to Jimmy Olsen from Alan Casline, October 7, 2010  
New York State Food Coalition: Seeds of Change (1980), prepared by Alan Casline  
Normanskill Poets Reading, advertisement, Delmar, New York, February 24, 2008  
"Poetry at the Arboretum", advertisement, Sligerlands, New York, August 13, 2010  
Postcard, Alan Casline featured poet at Café Lena, Saratoga Springs, New York, 2010  
Postcard, Alan Casline reading and talk at Gulf of Maine Bookstore, Brunswick, Maine, 2008, sheet of 4  
Postcard, Albert Glover featured poet at Café Lena, Saratoga Springs, New York, 2010, 2 copies  
"Reinhabiting the Northeast," a Talk by Alan Casline, list of speaking dates  
Rootdrinker Presents a Poetry Reading & Poetry Open Mic, Delmar, New York, October 1, 2008  
"Sunday Four Poetry Open Mic", featuring New York poets, Voorheesville, New York, 2009-2010 schedule  
Sunday Four Poetry Open Mic featuring Tom Corrado, advertisement, Voorheesville, New York, December 28, 2008, 2 copies  
Voorheesville Poet Dennis Sullivan, *Harvesting Silence*, advertisement printed by Benevolent Bird Press  
*You Don't have to Live like a Refugee: Cultural Emergence, Creation, and Discovery on the Local Level*, Alan Casline, lecture given at the Eleventh Annual Conference Justice Studies Association, 2009  
"20<sup>th</sup> Annual Day of Poet," poetry reading advertisement, Loundonville, New York, November 29, 2008  
"21<sup>st</sup> Annual Day of Poet," poetry reading advertisement, Loundonville, New York, November 28, 2009  
"Souvenir Post Card to Mark McMurray 4/2/2012"

- 1      3      **Rootdrinker Institute Informational Materials**  
Big Powwow information for Rootdrinker Number Seventeen  
Books in Print listing 2009, 5 copies  
Informational/membership flier, 2 copies  
Newsletter, January 2008  
Newsletter, March 2011  
Postcards, three sheets

- 1      4      **Rootdrinker Institute Publications**  
*Moutain Walks* (1979), Richard Hartigan  
*Normskill Watershed Anthology: Pebble in a Pond* (2007)  
*Normskill Watershed Anthology: Open Fields* (2010)  
*Rootdrinker No. 15* (1985)  
*Rootdrinker No. 16* (1989)

*Rootdrinker No. 17: the Big Powwow* (2009)  
*Songs and Sonnets* (1986), Albert Glover  
*The Rootdrinker Anthology of Contemporary Poetry, Volume One* (2007-2010), 2 copies  
*To the Tune of A Didgeridoo and Sticks* (2010), audio CD  
*William Weaver Chistman Tribute at Christmas Preserve* (2007), audio CD

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**Benevolent Bird Press Publications**

*A Bedtime Story* (2010), Helen Ruggieri  
*Alchemy* (2009), Thomas Rain Crowe  
*Ally Cat* (2010), Cathy Anderson  
*At the Site of Thoreau's Cabin* (2009), Therese Broderick  
*Barn Sparrow* (2009), Paulette Swartzfager  
*Boundless Abodes of Albany* (2010), Dan Wilcox  
*But Did You Think It Was Not Over?* (2010), Tom Corrado  
*Chicken Soup, No Chicken* (2010), Martha Lousie Healy  
*Color Barrier* (2008), Catherine Norr  
*Digging Wild Soils* (2009), Stephen Lewandowski  
*Forest Ground* (2008), Art Willis  
*Full Moon Hat in High Fall* (2009), Tim Lake  
*Grace Notes - A Homily* (2007), Art Willis, 2 copies  
*Harvesting Silence* (2007), Dennis Sullivan  
*Heat Wave* (2007), Barbara Hatch Vink  
*Hilltop Visionation:* (2010), Obeedúid  
*How Everything Didn't Change* (2010), Dale Hobson  
*Loggerhead Rises From a Swamp* (2010), Alan Casline  
*Love Train* (2010), Kenneth Warren  
*Lucky* (2009), John Roche  
*Math Kind of Guy* (2010), James Williams  
*My Sather Gate Illumination* (2009), Dan Wilcox  
*Neo-Lethean Dreams* (2009), Obeedúid  
*O* (2010), Bob Sharkey  
*Omega Sequence* (2005), Albert Glover  
*One Falls Over Laughing* (2009), Philomena Moriarty  
*Pashupata* (2010), Stephen Ellis  
*Piano Player* (2009), Mike Burke  
*Pine Hollow Arboretum 2011 Calendar*  
*Roadkill* (2010), Sharon Stenson  
*Sardine Shards* (2010), Gary Lawless  
*Some Thursday Night Poems* (2007)  
*Sonnets for a Summer Dog* (2009), Mike Burke  
*Still Here* (2009), Tim Verhaegen  
*Stock Car Racer* (2009), Paul Horton Amidon  
*The Annals of Perious Frink* (2007), compilation  
*The Dairy Farm* (2009), Rachel Z. Ikins  
*The Last Piece of Ice Under the Sky* (2010), Jason Crane  
*The Sacred Land* (2010), Thomas Rain Crowe  
*The Snares of the World* (2009), Alan Casline, 3 copies  
*The Water I Carry* (2008), Dale Hobson  
*Three* (2009), Tom Corrado  
*To the Tune of a Didgeridoo and Sticks* (2010), Art Willis  
*Untitled* (2010), Bruce Holsapple

\* (1968), Charles Olson

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**Misc. Publications**

*Come to My Garden* (2009), John W. Abbuhl, Pine Hallow Press

*Daylight Robbery vol. 1 no. 1* (2011), compilation, SNAFU Press

*From Buffalo Out* (2010), compilation

*Glyph of Poetry at the Yoga Loft* (2010), compilation, Natural Objects Press

*When From the Heart we Sing:* (2008), Obeedúid, bRAINdROP bOOKbENDERS

*Psychotherapy's Store of Heads* (2009)

*Orbs of Dew Hang From Grass Tips* (2008)

**OVERSIZE**

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