



"Love Happens, A target on my chest", is a recent collection of poems about love and contemporary life inspired by the style of Rumi, a 12th century Persian poet and mystic. Written by Florida poet, Joe Cavanaugh, these poems deal with modern love, society, politics, and aesthetics from a transcendental perspective, re imagining Rumi's timeless advice from a 21st century point of view. A prominent theme is trying to understand what's happening at the sub atomic level when we love and are loved and how are intentions become our day to day reality. Like Rumi, the author explores the passionate quest for the ecstatic moments in every day life and the individual search for deeper meaning in an emotional landscape that today is dominated by the mundane electronic network that pervades our current environment. Love has many moving parts and is happening everywhere, all the time for those who are searching for it. As Rumi said, "Love is the reality and poetry is the drum that calls us to it".