

ICCJ BOOK CAFÉ

Join us “via Zoom” on
Thursday, September 15, 2022 @ 8:00 PM
for a special evening event with poet

HILA RATZABI



The Poet

Hila Ratzabi's poetry has been published in Narrative, Alaska Quarterly Review, The Adroit Journal, and elsewhere. She is the author of the chapbook *The Apparatus of Visible Things*, and the recipient of numerous fellowships. Ratzabi previously served as editor-in-chief and poetry editor of *Storyscape* and holds an MFA in poetry from Sarah Lawrence College. She is currently the Director of Virtual Content and Programs at Ritualwell.org and lives outside Chicago with her partner and two children. Additionally, Hila is the daughter of our ICCJ Librarian, Arlene Ratzabi and husband, Eli.

The Book

THERE ARE STILL WOODS is a radiant appraisal of life at the precipice of climate crisis and a haunting elegy for all we stand to lose. Through alternating lenses, from the speculative to the spiritual, from motherhood to science to mythology, Hila Ratzabi looks out at our wounded but vibrant planet and the animal experience of living on it. These poems bear witness to the force and fragility of the natural world.

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