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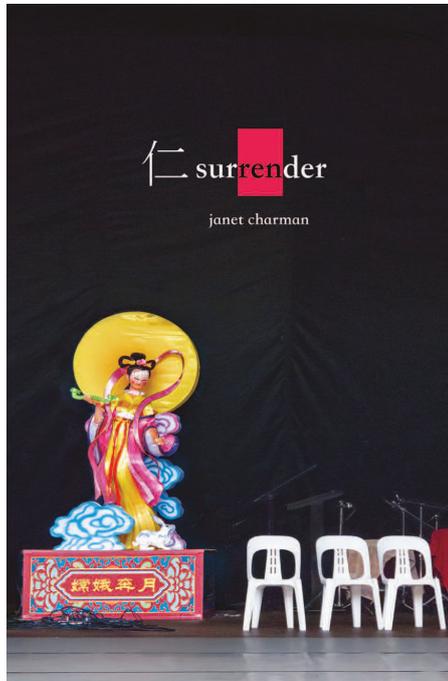
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SELLING POINTS

- Innovative new collection
- Award-winning NZ poet
- 'laconic and original'

*what did you eat*  
*willful Changè?*  
*- fly to the moon*  
*where no one hears you*  
*rabbiting on*

*you won't silence me*  
*by chopping the tree*  
*its white leaves*  
*and a night-dipped pen*  
*the fuel of my longevity*

As one of eight writers, poet **Janet Charman** was invited in 2009 to take part in a hectic, immersive literary residency in Hong Kong. Written out of this time of stimulating buzz, *仁 surrender* chronicles the tensions, translations and literary crushes that ensue, with ever-present comedy.

From this intense hothouse and these privileged constraints flow narrative poems that capture the creative and cultural dislocation of travel, with its petty irritants and constant surprises.

*Charman's verse has always been distinguished by a combination of astute observation, compassion, pluck, vulnerability and willingness to poke fun at herself.* – Iain Sharp

*In her laconic and original style, Janet Charman writes a body of work which sees [her] exploiting the motif of journeying to investigate the colonised land, past and present.* – Siobhan Harvey

AUTHOR

The author of many books of poetry, including *At the White Coast* (2012) and the award-winning *Cold Snack* (2007), **Janet Charman** is one of New Zealand's sharpest and most subversive writers. She lives in Auckland with her partner and daughters.

