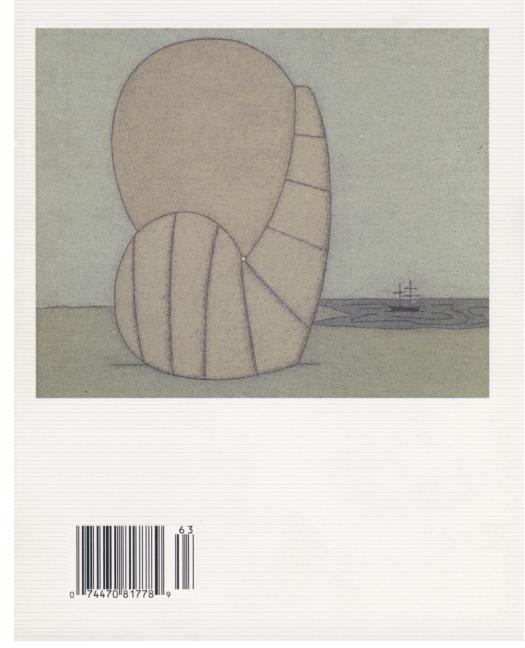
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## 2006 IOWA REVIEW AWARDS CONTEST WINNERS

This issue features the winners of our fourth annual Iowa Review Awards in Poetry, Fiction, and Nonfiction:

### FICTION

Stellar Kim, "Findings & Impressions" Judge: James McPherson

POETRY

Margaret Monaghan, "Delft Farm," "Night of Terrible Ending," "Why People Put Each Other on Watches," "Field of Seed," "Dresden Stollen" Judge: Cole Swensen

NONFICTION

Bonnie J. Rough, "The Birdmen" Judge: Lia Purpura

Congratulations also to our runners-up, whose work is featured after that of the winners: FICTION: Katherine Gustafson, Adam Hunault POETRY: Allison Benis, Jennifer Chapis, Scott Glassman, Kristina Martinez, Susan McCabe NONFICTION: Abraham Brennan, Miho Nonaka, Sandra Novack

Thanks to everyone who entered.