



## Views from Along the Middle Way (Paperback)

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By Thomas Centolella

Copper Canyon Press, 2002. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. In Thomas Centolella's newest book, he asserts the need to make peace / with the indeterminate --a journey that leads him from the tenuous nature of human intimacy into philosophical considerations from the East and the West. The Middle Way of the title derives from both Buddha and Dante: on one hand it's the middle ground between the extremes of asceticism and self-indulgence, on the other it's an Inferno-like overview of middle age. Against the background of daily life in San Francisco, Centolella examines the complications of love in its various incarnations: the deviousness of romance; the necessity for, and limits of, compassion; and ultimately, the quality of attention and intention which sustains the indefatigable possibility at the center of the search for the Other. In a style that ranges from long-lined, highly detailed and conversation narratives, to shorter lyrical ruminations, to the distilled, quiet utterances of haiku, Centolella presents the flow of a consciousness in flux--solitary and engaged, intimate with both the ephemeral and enduring--but always in wonder at its own sustenance. From View #1: West Starting out, my heart was only human...



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