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# Montauk is

## A collection of haiku and short poetry

by *W.D. Akin*

Moving dunes, hard rocks, a gentle breeze, jetty horns, diving birds, rubber men, the Jitney, evergreen buds, pounding surf, a calm heart.

Montauk is all of these things.

*Montauk is: A Collection of Haiku and Short Poetry* is a meditative exploration of this special area on the eastern tip of Long Island, New York. Through both well-chosen words and over 75 breathtaking photographs, W.D. Akin masterfully explores Montauk's natural harshness and beauty, its endearing quirks and personal resonances, and the indelible memories left behind by the everyday experience of this uniquely inspiring place.

### **About the author:**

W. D. Akin has been a resolute Montaukian for over 50 years, having fished and surfed its waters since he was a boy. His love affair with the area began even before his father bought Carl Fisher's residence from Fisher's widow in 1955. A full-time resident since 1993, Akin founded Music for Montauk in 1991, which continues to bring world-class artists to the hamlet for a series of off-season concerts. Since 1997 Akin has served as president of Concerned Citizens of Montauk, the organization that has done so much to preserve the natural heritage of the East End of Long Island. A veteran songwriter and guitarist, Akin has performed locally since 1994 and has produced three CDs of his music, often working with vocalist Terin Greene.

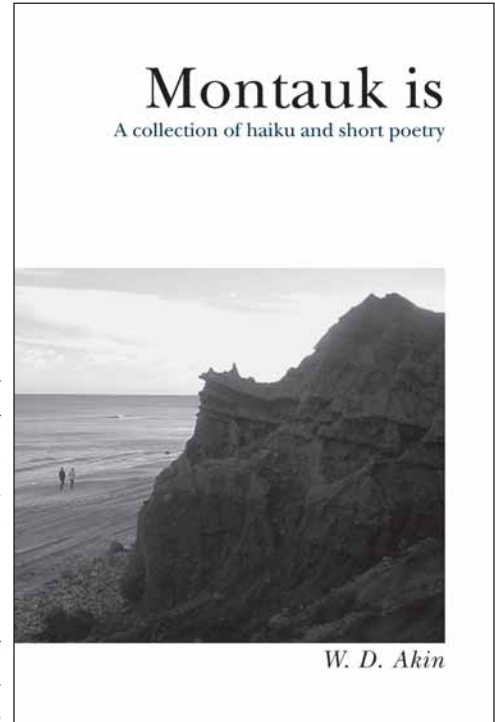
His interest in Zen Buddhism—and its literary expression, haiku—goes back to the 60s. *Montauk is* combines Akin's heartfelt haiku keys to the essence of the Montauk experience with his equally perceptive photos. It is his first book.

Akin was born in Tarrytown and educated at Hackley and Colgate University. After a two-year tour of duty in the Navy he worked in advertising for 12 years at Compton, Esty, and BBD&O, then joined the family company, Hudson Wire, where he served as V.P. of Marketing until he retired in 1993.

Since that time he has combined an active sports life (fishing, surfing, travelling) with an even more active civic interest in preserving Montauk. He and his wife Monika still live on the Fisher house property.

Regards,

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