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## Scattered Clouds New and Selected Poems

Reuben Jackson

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By avoiding cumbersome punctuation and the formality of capitalization, Reuben Jackson lullabies his way into treasured-voice status, quiet yet forceful. A jazz scholar and former curator with the Smithsonian's Duke Ellington Collection, Jackson was chosen for the Columbia Book Award in 1991 for his first collection, *fingering the keys*.

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a bag lady stares  
at a neglected mansion  
crumbling in the rain

black history month:  
everyone loves your people  
until march arrives.

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