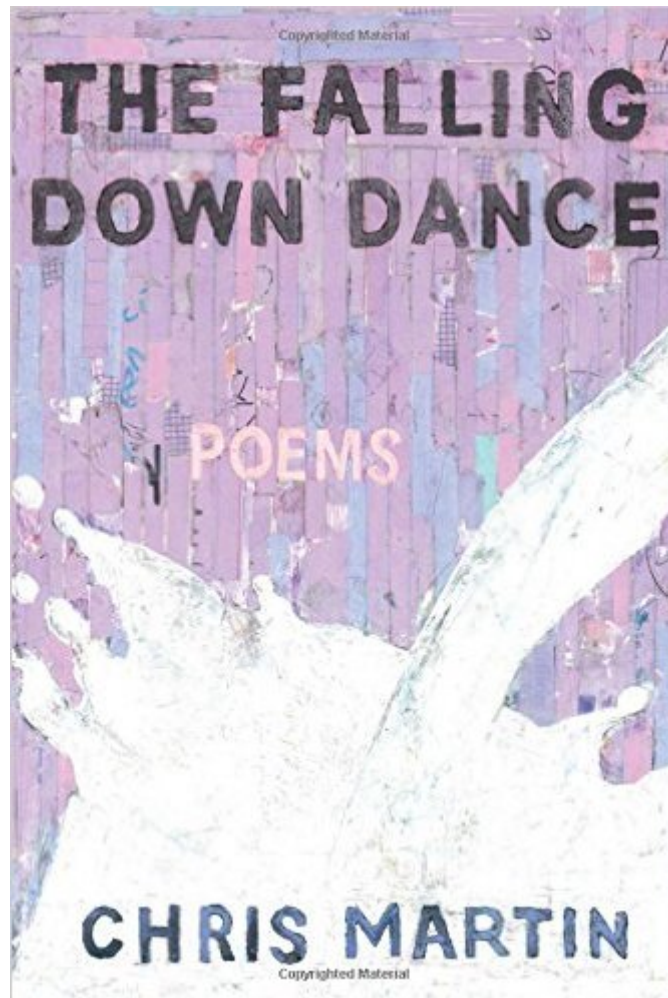


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# The Falling Down Dance



## Synopsis

Martin's lines are as brief as breath, and cloister us at home, in winter, where the tiny everyday ministrations of love and parenthood are magnified and abundant with meaning. I wanted to tell you something about the shipwreck of fatherhood, of motherhood, the coarse sugar leaving us shook. Soft wreck of the baby greeting each kiss with an open and drooling mouth, reflex. We don't understand heart-blip stuck tipping my finger on the keys, speeding memory of yesterday out the window I'm pushing barely open. Chris Martin is the author of *American Music* (Copper Canyon, 2007) and *Becoming Weather* (Coffee House Press, 2011).

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