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NORTHAMPTON, MASS. 14 JULY 2024 – Wayfarer Books has expanded its ecosystem by acquiring the long-standing independent publisher Homebound Publications. All titles from Homebound Publications will now be transferred to Wayfarer Books, which is distributed by Ingram and offers titles on a print-to-order model with standard trade terms and full returnability.

Homebound Publications and Wayfarer Books have historically operated as sibling presses. This merger, initiated by Founder Connor Wolfe, aims to bolster the author communities of both imprints as they navigate the challenges ahead together.

At Wayfarer Books we believe poetry is the language of the earth. We believe words—shaped like rivers through wild places—can change the shape of the world. We publish poets and writers and renegades who stand outside of mainstream culture—poets, essayists, and storytellers whose work might withstand the scrutiny of crows and coyotes, those who are cryptic and floral, the crepuscular, and the queer-at-heart. We are more than just a publisher but a community of writers. Our mission is to produce books that can serve as a compass and map to all wayfarers through wild terrain.

Homebound Publications is a Trans/queer-Owned publishing house based in the Pioneer Valley of Western Mass.. What began during a brainstorming session in a Boston cafe has become a platform for hundreds of indie authors. More than a company, we are a *community* of writers and readers exploring the larger questions we face as a global village. We publish full-length introspective works of creative non-fiction and poetry.

In 2011, Connor Wolfe (they/them) founded Homebound Publications and Wayfarer Books. Wolfe's forward-thinking approach to indie publishing afforded them the opportunity to serve two terms on the Board of Directors for the Independent Book Publisher's Association, speak on the TEDx stage at Yale University, and grant-supported studies at Harvard University. In 2023, Wolfe shifted their advocacy to Queer/Trans Rights, addressing the active threats to these marginalized communities to which they belong.

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