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"*Sending Christmas Cards to Huck & Hamlet* by Joseph Mills is one of the most original collections of poetry I have ever encountered. There is about this book a sense of everything happening for the first time, even those literary events that seem to happen over and over. What a pleasure this book gives the reader."

— Anthony S. Abbot, author of *New and Selected Poems: 1989-2009*

Joe Mills learned to drive on Indiana back roads. This is also where he learned about the importance of seat belts when he introduced his mother's Toyota Corolla to a telephone pole at 2 AM even though he had told her that he would only use the car to go to the laundromat and grocery. His first car was a family hand-me-down, an Oldsmobile Vista Cruiser station wagon. It had a Rocket V8 engine, got eight miles to the gallon, and the one time he took it to a car wash he realized that he was spraying through the rusted door into the backseat. The first car he bought for himself was a Toyota pickup which he drove all over North America, getting it stuck on a Mexican beach as the tide was coming in, in a Utah snowstorm, in a Florida marsh, and in traffic jams from New York to San Francisco. He cried when someone drove it out of his life. He now drives a mini-van.