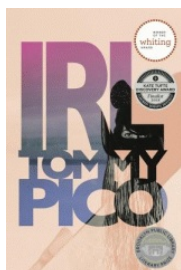


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## IRL

Tommy Pico.

Composed as a long text message, this poem asks what happens to a modern, queer indigenous person a few generations after his ancestors were alienated from their language, their religion, and their history.

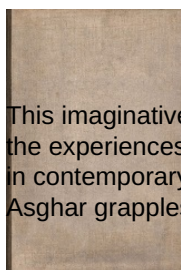


## Night sky with exit wounds

Ocean Vuong.

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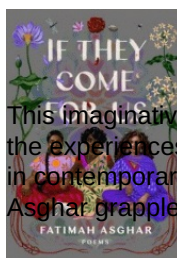
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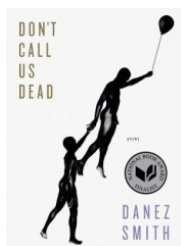
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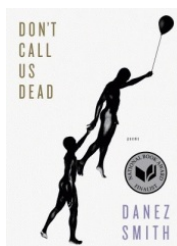
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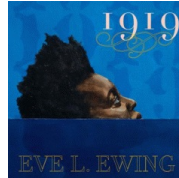
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