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HANS WEYANDT TO MANAGE MILKWEED BOOKS

MINNEAPOLIS – July 19, 2016, Milkweed Editions, one of the nation’s preeminent independent literary publishers, has hired Hans Weyandt to manage its newest venture, Milkweed Books, a bookstore slated to open September 6th in Open Book.

Prior to joining Milkweed Editions, Weyandt worked at a number independent bookstores in and around the Twin Cities, most notably as a co-owner of Micawber’s Books in St. Paul, MN. He is also the editor of *Read This!* (Coffee House Press, 2013), an anthology of independent booksellers’ must-read lists and an ode to the art of traditional bookselling and independent bookstores.

Daniel Slager, Publisher & CEO at Milkweed Editions, offered the following: “Hans Weyandt is one of the best booksellers I’ve ever met, and we are honored and delighted to add him to our team. Hans was a fierce advocate for outstanding literary books at Micawber’s, including some we published. Given that the primary objective of this undertaking is to expand audiences for the kind of books we and other independent literary presses publish, we’re overjoyed to have him at the helm of Milkweed Books.”

“Since I left bookselling a little over three years ago I’ve been asked, nearly daily, if I miss it. Of course I missed it,” Weyandt stated. “I am very happy to say that I am teaming up with Milkweed Editions to help launch their new bookstore.”

Milkweed Editions is one of the nation’s leading independent publishers, with a mission to identify, nurture and publish transformative literature, and build an engaged community around it. For more information, please visit milkweed.org

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