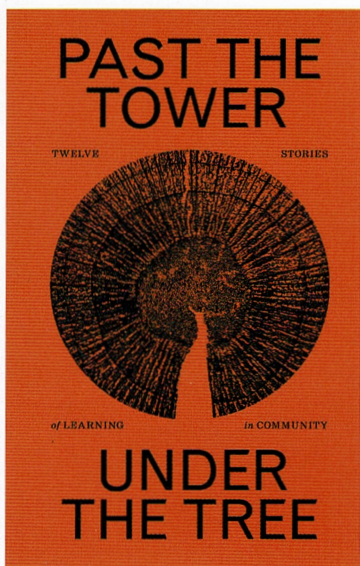


# Past the Tower, Under the Tree: Twelve Stories of Learning in Community

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Asked for advice by the aspiring poet Franz Xaver Kappus, Rainer Maria Rilke responded passionately that any young artist should “keep growing quietly and seriously throughout [their] whole development: you

cannot disturb it more rudely than by looking outward.” It was the inner world that would yield inspiration, Rilke thought, and his words have been among the most read and canonical for generations of young artists seeking direction. A new text edited by Balamohan Shingade and Erena Shingade interrogates this idea, proposing that ‘disturbance’ is precisely what kindles and shapes creativity, and what propels knowledge forward. The contributors of *Past the Tower, Under the Tree: Twelve Stories of Learning in Community*—a varied cohort including writers, artists, researchers, educators and social workers—each reflect on their artistic formation and the informal spaces in which it often took place, invariably among people and through conversation.



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