

Paula Coomer – 2019

Paula Coomer is a poet and literary fiction writer who occasionally writes about food and health. Books include *Jagged Edge of the Sky*, *Dove Creek*, *Summer of Government Cheese*, *Nurses Who Love English*, and *Blue Moon Vegetarian*, among others. A long-time teacher of writing, she has been a nominee for the Pulitzer, the Pushcart, and a number of other awards. Ms. Coomer lives in the tiny village of Garfield, Washington, where she coaches writers and organizes and facilitates Clearwater Writers, a retreat program on the Wild and Scenic Clearwater River near Syringa, Idaho. Her second collection of short stories, *Somebody Should Have Scolded the Girl*, is scheduled for a September 2019 release from Fawkes Press.