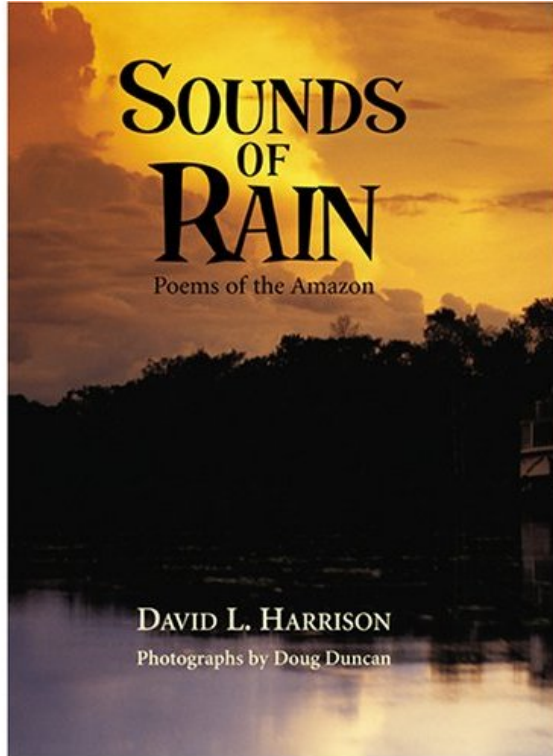


Sounds of Rain



- **Hardcover:** 32 pages
- **Publisher:** Boyds Mills Press
- **November 2006**
- **Reading level:** Ages 4-8
- **Language:** English
- **ISBN-10:** 1590784421

This work takes a bold look at the Amazon rain forest in poems and photographs. What makes the rain forest unique? Is it the sky? The birds? The river? If you look deep into the Amazon, you can find a caste system of ants, termites, and wasps, a caiman waiting quietly in the water, and night-time dreams that float up to the stars. David Harrison's poems make the plants, the creatures, and the people of the Amazon come up from their roots, down from their nests, out from their huts, and into the minds of his readers.



Picture - David doing
research in the Amazon.

Finding the inspiration for
SOUNDS OF RAIN.

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School Library Journal

Twenty-four free verse offerings glide smoothly to capture the sensory bounty and emotional harvest of an Amazon River journey. Photographs and poems are assembled with an album's informality, and youthful armchair explorers may be motivated to learn more about the diverse flora and fauna introduced here. There's also a glimpse of the area's human inhabitants.

Kansas State Reading Circle Recommended Reading List, Read Across Kansas 2007

This is a collection of short poems that describes the beauty and sounds of the rain forest. Each poem is accompanied with a beautiful photograph of the subject matter.

Best Books of 2006 for Young Readers, Post-Dispatch

Short enough to hold the attention of younger readers, varied and lyrical enough for older readers, Harrison's poems combine with the photography of Doug Duncan for an Amazon view touching on the lives of the people.

Children's Science Book Project, Hawaii State Public Library System, 2006-2007

Sounds of Rain, Poems of the Amazon. More than twenty poems describe and capture the atmosphere of the Amazon rainforest. These free-verse poems celebrate the weather, animals, birds, insects, and plant life of the Amazon. Each poem is paired with a color photograph resulting in a delightful play of words evoking picture and picture evoking words.

Yellow Brick Road

Harrison's love of the natural world shines in this tribute to the unique wonders of the rain forest.