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2River Poetry

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Happy Holidays



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from east amherst, north of  
buffalo, almost canada—  
we've not seen the sun or felt  
warmth for what seems like  
weeks—but our tree's up, the  
ornaments are hung, & the  
lights blink—the three cats  
just once have knocked it  
down—we wish you  
tranquility for the ending of  
the year & festivity for the  
new—ann, jessie, and katie  
hynes, and richard long.



**[Shuang-tiao]**  
**Tune: "Song of Great Virtue"**  
**Winter, Two Songs**

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toot once, strum once  
give us a song  
                                to Great Virtue.  
enjoy yourself, relax  
stop setting snares.  
how long can one live, anyway?  
be simple, plain  
                                and follow  
where that leads you.  
go find yourself a place to flop  
and flop there.

*Kuan Han-ch'ing (c. 1220)*  
*Tr. Jerome P. Seaton*