

ANTLER

(Brad Burdick)

Class of 1964

Known professionally as Antler, Brad Burdick has been critically acclaimed and recognized worldwide for his poetry. He earned a bachelor's degree in anthropology and a master's degree in English from UW-Milwaukee and also attended the Iowa Writers' Workshop. A follower of Thoreau's ideology, Antler explored the Upper Midwest and West, working in a variety of odd jobs. Believing that poetry is a catalyst for a better world, Antler has devoted his life to his writing. His works have been published in more than 1,000 literary magazines, including *American Poetry Review* and *The New York Quarterly*. He has been honored by PEN – The International Writers Organization, the American Academy and Institute of Arts & Letters, the Walt Whitman Association and the Wisconsin Arts Board. In 2002 he was named Milwaukee's second Poet Laureate, and he received the Major Achievement Award from the Council for Wisconsin Writers in 2003.

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