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## By Blood

By Ellen Ullman, Clare Skeats

Pushkin Press. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, By Blood, Ellen Ullman, Clare Skeats, From the acclaimed American novelist and memoirist Ellen Ullman, *By Blood* is a gothic noir novel that explores questions about fate, identity and genetics in the guise of a gripping psychological thriller. "Delicious and intriguing" Daily Telegraph A professor is on leave from his post a leave that may have been forced upon him. He may or may not be of sound mind. To steady himself, he rents an office in San Francisco. It is 1974, a time when free love and psychedelic ecstasy have given way to drug violence and serial killings. Through the thin office walls, the professor overhears the sessions of a therapist and a patient, and without knowing the patient's name or face he comes to know the details of her life, her family, her lovers. He inserts himself into her search for her "mysterious origins": a deeply troubling journey through displaced-persons camps, stolen children, and hidden pasts. Ellen Ullman is a writer of ferocious intelligence, and *By Blood* is thrilling and fraught, a darkly atmospheric tale of what we can know about our identity, what we can escape of it, and...



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