

# 2009

We have gone from the ages  
Of coal and aluminium  
To the slamming of doors in faces.  
Faith healers buy their own channels  
As landsnatchers grab handfuls of dirt  
And puritanical doctors preach:  
*Look to your body!*  
*All crimes against it*  
*Will be punished!*

Our bands have abandoned revolt,  
Our cults have rewritten Revelations,  
And it was a hasty affair  
- the firesale revolution.

The chasm's getting wider,  
And there's no safety net.



**Bill Direen** Since the 1970s Bill Direen has rarely been far from a performance or recording situation. In 2008 his group The Bilders released a new album and backed it up with a national tour (Powertool Records). When not teaching or performing in New Zealand or Europe, he goes bush to work on poems or his stranger-than-strange post-apocalyptic novel series (Titus Books, Auckland).

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