



Moon on a Rainbow Shawl

By John Errol

Faber & Faber. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Moon on a Rainbow Shawl, John Errol, Esther - if yer have yer head screw on right - No matter where yer go - One night - some time - Yer reach up - yer touch that moon. For the teeming populace of Old Mack's cacophonous yard in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, it's a cheek by jowl existence lived out on a sweltering public stage. Snatches of calypso compete with hymn tunes, drums and street cries as neighbours drink, brawl, pass judgment, make love, look out for each other and crave a better life. But Ephraim is no dreamer and nothing, not even the seductive Rosa, is going to stop him escaping his dead-end job for a fresh start in England. Set as returning troops from the Second World War fill the town with their raucous celebrations, Errol John's "Moon on a Rainbow Shawl" depicts a vibrant, cosmopolitan world that is as harsh as it is filled with colour and warmth. "A brawling, laughing, bitter sense of life courses through "Moon on a Rainbow Shawl". Errol John fills the stage with people of flesh and blood; he communicates the harshness and tension in...

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