

BAY AREA POETS COALITION (est. 1974)
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Presents an OPEN POETRY READING

SATURDAY July 1, 2017 3:00 - 5:00 PM
And every 1st Saturday of the month (typically)

At STRAWBERRY CREEK LODGE
1320 Addison St., Berkeley (Addison is one block south of and parallel to University Ave.)
between Acton & Bonar St. (Park on the street, NOT in the S.C.L. parking lot)

Open Reading held in the 4TH FLOOR MOVIE ROOM.

ALL AGES WELCOME to come and enjoy a friendly and informal read-around --
3-5 minutes per poet/reader, or "just listening" is fine too :-)

After the reading, join us for dinner if you'd like at BANGKOK THAI CUISINE, 1459 University Ave. (just a couple blocks walk from the Lodge): <http://www.bangkokthaicuisine.com/>

BAPC Members: Feel free to email ideas/suggestions/comments/questions, etc. to be included in the Board meeting agenda.

Upcoming for BAPC:

August 5, 3:00 PM: Next 1st Saturday read-around at Strawberry Creek Lodge.

September 4, Noon - 4:00 PM -- BAPC ANNUAL LABOR DAY PICNIC (potluck) & open poetry reading for members and friends at LIVE OAK PARK, Berkeley. Details to come. Please Note: NO regular first Saturday read-around in September.

BAPC's 38th ANNUAL CONTEST: MAGGI H. MEYER MEMORIAL POETRY CONTEST 2017
Open for entries September 1 thru November 15.
Contest rules will be available soon on the website.

NOTE re: BAPC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL – Requesting that all BAPC members pay annual dues in the early fall. September 1st is the beginning of our fiscal year. Many of you have been paying your dues when you submit your contest entries (9/1-11/15) – please continue to do so, and thank you. Those of you who are not participating in the contest, we request that you send in your dues during the month of September if you are able. Basic annual dues remain at \$15. Grateful thanks for your support!!

IN MEMORIAM: Our dear friend FRAN RACHEL, at the age of 100 (May 19th was her birthday), died peacefully in early June. She was a resident at Strawberry Creek Lodge and often attended our monthly open readings, mainly as a supportive listener. Thanks Fran for being a part of our community. You inspired many, and we will miss you!

Saturday, July 1, 7:00-9:30 PM: POETRY at LA PROMENADE CAFE, 3643 Balboa St. at 38th Ave., San Francisco (Richmond district, across from The Balboa Theatre). 7/1 Features: STEPHANIE MANNING & BILL MERCER, followed by an OPEN MIC. For further info, contact STEPHANIE MANNING: (510) 295-8498. Website: <http://www.lapromenadecafe.com/events.html>

Sunday, July 2, 2:00-4:00 PM: First Sunday Poetry Series at ROSANNA'S EUROPEAN DELIGHTS, 305 First St., Benicia. Hosted by JOHANNA ELY, Benicia Poet Laureate. 7/2 Features: BILL VARTNAW. An OPEN MIC follows with 3 minutes per poet. Everyone is welcome! jelyabc13@yahoo.com

Sunday, July 2, 5:00-7:00 PM: POETRY OPEN MIC (every 1st Sunday of the Month) at KAWIKA'S OCEAN BEACH DELI, 734 La Playa St., San Francisco. (415) 221-2031 / <http://www.oceanbeachdeli.com/events.php>

Every Monday, 7:00-9:00 PM: POETRY EXPRESS at HIMALAYAN FLAVORS RESTAURANT, 1585 University Ave. (at California St.), Berkeley. July features: 7/3: CONNIE POST; 7/10: NADINE LOCKHART; 7/17: ROSE MARK & LARRY BERESFORD; 7/24: ELAINE BROWN; 7/31: MAVERICK NIGHT. Hosts: BRUCE BAGNELL, JIM BARNARD, JAN DEDERICK, JEANNETTE DESBOINE (J.D.). email: poetryexpress@gmail.com / <http://poetryexpressberkeley.blogspot.com/>

Monday, July 3: Open Mic sign-up 5:45 PM, Reading begins at 6:15 PM: RIVERTOWN POETS meets monthly at the AQUUS CAFE, 189 H St., Petaluma. 7/3 Features: JEANNE LUPTON & GARY TURCHIN - followed by OPEN MIC. Open mic readers have up to three minutes to read or recite. Hosted by: SANDRA ANFANG. email: wrdpnr51@gmail.com / <https://www.facebook.com/RivertownPoetsAMuseingMondays>

Wednesday, July 5, 1:00-4:00 PM: ELDER VOICES (young ones too!) PERFORMANCE & OPEN MIC SERIES (happening every 1st Wednesday of the month -- Performance times: 1:00-3:00, Refreshments & Social Hour: 3:00-4:00) at NORTH BERKELEY SENIOR CENTER, Multi-purpose Room, 1901 Hearst Ave., Berkeley. 7/5 Celebrating the life of SISTER MAKINYA (1926-2017), and featuring AVOTCJA, preceded & followed by OPEN MIC in your own style and form: Poetry, Song, Dance, Storytelling, Music, You Name It ...! Program may be filmed/archived. For more info, contact SYLVIE CARBERRY (510) 280-5258.

Wednesday, July 5, 7:00-9:00 PM: ALAMEDA ISLAND POETS (every 1st Wednesday of the month) at FRANK BETTE CENTER FOR THE ARTS, 1601 Paru St., Alameda. 7/5 features: DAN BRADY & WENDY WOLTERS. A break with light refreshments follows, then an OPEN MIC. All are welcome. Hosted by NANETTE DEETZ. For more info, contact: CATHY DANA (AIP Pres.) cathydana@gmail.com / NANETTE DEETZ (AIP Vice-Pres.) nanettedeetz@comcast.net / Website: <http://www.alamedaislandpoets.org/> / <http://www.frankbettecenter.org/alameda-island-poetry-reading.html>

Every Wednesday, 7:00 PM sign-up: OPEN MIC & FEATURE POETS at SACRED GROUNDS CAFE, 2095 Hayes at Cole, San Francisco: (415) 387-3859. Hosted by: DAN BRADY email: creative1@creativeideasforyou.com / <https://www.facebook.com/groups/203539673028715/> You can also view in for the live streaming: <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/sacred-Grounds-café> Also, Dan has an ongoing invitation for GUEST CO-HOSTS who'll assist as they wish or can. Contact him if interested.

Wednesday, July 5, 7:00-9:00 PM: PANDEMONIUM PRESS presents FAMILY NOIR featuring DENNIS J. BERNSTEIN, SHARON COLEMAN, JAMES CAGNEY, and SARA MCAULAY at THE OCTOPUS LITERARY SALON, 2101 Webster St., Oakland (x st. 22nd). There will also be an OPEN MIC; you can sign up either at pandemoniumpress@gmail.com or at 6:45 pm on the night of the reading. Admission is free, although donations are happily accepted. Hosted by LEILA RAE. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1658739254166963/>

Saturday, July 8, 5:00-7:00 PM: *RANDOM ACTS* Open Mic at READERS' BOOKS, 130 E. Napa St., Sonoma, CA - Tel: (707) 939-1779 (Come a little early to Sign Up.)

Random Acts at Sonoma's Readers' Books on 2nd Saturdays was created in order to pay for the expense of creating an outdoor "reading patio" at the rear of the bookstore. This open microphone continues to slowly reduce the "Readers' Patio" bill month by month as well as adding a place at which local writers can voice four and a half minutes' worth of work to an enthused audience.

For the cost of five dollars, a writer or musician is able to listen to the best which her/his contemporaries can deliver as well as being able to deliver to that audience her/his own material.

Random Acts saves a bookstore, creates a lit-space, and warms an audience. For further info, contact: Catherine Sevenau: RandomActs.Sonoma@gmail.com

Saturday, July 8, 7:00-9:00 PM: POETRY, PROSE & MORE Series (2nd Saturdays) at FRANK BETTE CENTER FOR THE ARTS, 1601 Paru St., Alameda. 7/8 Features: ANDRENA ZAWINSKI & ALISON LUTERMAN followed by OPEN MIC. Facilitated by JEANNE LUPTON & hosted by DEBORAH MEDVICK. Donations welcome. For more info, email: jeany98@aol.com / website: <http://www.frankbettecenter.org/poetry-at-the-bette.html>

Sunday, July 9, 11:00 AM: POETRY FESTIVAL -- an OPEN MIC COMMUNITY EVENT -- hosted by SALLY LOVE SAUNDERS. All are welcome to read favorite poems or just listen and enjoy! Refreshments to follow. Free will offering. At CULTURAL INTEGRATION FELLOWSHIP, 2650 Fulton St., San Francisco www.culturalintegrationfellowship.org / For more info, contact Sally: slovesndrs@aol.com

Sunday, July 9, 3:00-5:00 PM: VALONA DELI 2ND SUNDAY POETRY SERIES, 1323 Pomona St., Crockett. 7/9 Features: TERRY LUCAS & PEG ALFRED PURSELL with OPEN MIC following after break. Hosted by CONNIE POST. Stay after the reading for live music with the TERRY HENRY JAZZ TRIO. Email for info: connie@poetrypost.com / website: <http://poetrypost.com/valona-deli-events/> <https://www.facebook.com/Valona-Deli-Second-Sunday-Poetry-Series-129743620466029/>

Wednesday, July 12, 7:00 PM: NOT YET DEAD POETS SOCIETY, meeting every 2nd Wednesday of the month, invites you to an unforgettable evening of poetry at THE MAIN GALLERY, 1018 Main St., Redwood City, near the NW corner of Middlefield & Main. 7/12 Feature(s): TBA with OPEN MIC to follow. A donation to The Gallery would be appreciated. For more info, contact PATRICK DALY: dalymuse@sonic.net

Thursday, July 13, 6:30-7:50 PM: POETRY PROGRAM on 2nd Thursdays at the CLAREMONT BRANCH of the BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 2940 Benvenue Ave., Berkeley. (510) 981-6280. Bring in a favorite poem to share and if you write poetry, bring one of your own too. This free program is sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Public Library. <https://www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org/events/poetry-circle-claremont-0>

Thursday, July 13, 7:00-9:00 PM: The ALAMEDA ISLAND POETS FREE "POETRY WRITING WORKSHOP" at the FRANK BETTE CENTER FOR THE ARTS, 1601 Paru St. (at Lincoln), on the second Thursday each month. (Please enter through the side door on Lincoln.) Free-write periods (of 10-20 minutes with themes and/or prompts) end with participants sharing their work with minimal feedback; or

with specific feedback they request. Light refreshments. Workshop coordinators are MARILYN FLOWER & MARY LOUGHRAN. Any member may present an evening. Sign up to lead at some future date. Contact info at (510) 522-0511 / <http://www.frankbettecenter.org/alameda-poetry-writers-workshop.html>

Friday, July 14, 7:00-9:00 PM: ELIZA SHEFLER, TUREEDA MIKELL, and SUSAN NEWMAN will perform at NEFELI Caffe, 1854 Euclid Ave., a little north of Hearst, in Berkeley, as part of the LAST WORD READING SERIES (happening every 2nd Friday of the month). Cafe phone is (510) 841-6374. There is also an open reading. Admission is free, but a one-drink or one-plate minimum is suggested. DALE JENSEN, RALPH DRANOW, JOHN ROWE, GRACE GRAFTON are co-hosts. rowepoet@yahoo.com / <https://www.facebook.com/events/138076010094324/>

Monday, July 17, 6:00-9:00 PM: CLARION MUSIC CENTER is the home of SAN FRANCISCO POETRY OPEN MIKE PODCAST TV SHOW, produced by JOHN RHODES. The show is co-hosted by CLARA HSU since 2009. Each show has two featured poets – 7/17: TBA -- and the show is taped the 3rd Monday of each month to be aired on Channel 29.

SPECIAL EDITION with STEPHEN KOPEL & JOAN GELFAND: Stephen & Joan discover and feature many known and hidden talents in the Bay Area. Their segments are presented on youtube.

Bring a poem and join our OPEN MIKE. It will also be seen on youtube.

<http://clarionmusic.com/poetry/>

Also, please consider making a donation to Clarion's fundraiser for live theater stage lighting: <https://www.gofundme.com/live-theatre-stage-lighting>

Tuesday, July 18, 6:30-9:00 PM: (3rd Tuesday each month) COASTSIDE POETRY READING AND OPEN MIC NIGHT at CAFE SOCIETY in HALF MOON BAY. Doors open at 6:30 PM, with featured readers starting at 7 PM. 7/18 Features: TBA. Cafe Society, 522 Main St., Half Moon Bay. For more info, contact: RYAN WARREN r_p_warren@yahoo.com / <https://www.facebook.com/coastsidepoetry>

Friday, July 21, 7:00-9:00 PM: POETRY READINGS every 3rd Friday of the month at EXPRESSIONS GALLERY, 2035 Ashby Ave., Berkeley (1/4 block from Ashby BART). 7/21 Features: GARY TURCHIN & KEN RISLING ("The Bard & The Balladeer") followed by an OPEN MIC. <http://www.expressionsgallery.org>

Saturday, July 22, 3:00-5:00 PM: Join us the 4th Saturday of the Month for LA PALABRA MUSICAL / THE MUSIC OF THE WORD (still in English, Spanish, Spanglish y Lo Que Sea) and always the Word Party to remember! No Cover. Hosted by Avotcja (Donations accepted & don't forget to bring your Congas, Guiros, Maracas, Panderetas etc.) 7/22 Features: NAOMI QUIÑONEZ (Poet/Educator), PAUL APONTE (Sacramento's Wolf Fox), PHOENIX FIRE (with Poets: LIGE DAILY, KUJICHAGUKIA PHAVIA & ROBERT WOODS). At CESAR E. CHAVEZ BRANCH, Suite 271, OAKLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3301 East 12th St. @ 33rd Ave. (1/2 block North of Fruitvale BART & 1 block South of International) (510) 535-5620. <http://oaklandlibrary.org/events/cesar-e-chavez-branch/la-palabra-musical-music-word> or www.Avotcja.org

Saturday, July 29, 7:30-9:30 PM: The POETRY SERIES (last Saturday of the month, typically) at FLOREY'S BOOK COMPANY, 2120 Palmetto Ave., Pacifica. Program begins with OPEN MIC followed by a break with light refreshments, then Featured Poets: ERICA GOSS & EILEEN MALONE. Series coordinated and hosted by SHERRI ROSE-WALKER: sherrirose-walker@hotmail.com

Sunday, July 30, 2:00-5:00 PM: Summer reading of POETRY & PLACE -- EL CERRITO -- hosted by El Cerrito poet laureate, MAW SHEIN WIN. Featured readers are former U.S. poet laureate ROBERT HASS and El Cerrito poet MICHELLE LIN, plus an all-ages OPEN MIC. At the beautiful ARLINGTON CLUBHOUSE, 1120 Arlington Blvd. El Cerrito. Poetry & Place is a poetry reading series which takes place in the spring, summer & fall in different places throughout the city. The series will feature one poet from El Cerrito & one from a nearby city. For more info, contact Maw: elcerritopoet@gmail.com / <https://www.facebook.com/events/1889048271365361/>

Monday, July 31, Doors open 7 PM; show begins at 7:30 PM: BAY AREA GENERATIONS presents an intergenerational literary series featuring readers of different generations performing their work in tandem. Announcing New Rolling Submissions Guidelines: Bay Area Generations now accepts submissions at any time for possible inclusion in the next month's show. For the upcoming show, all submissions received no later than July 1st will be considered for Edition #47 on 7/31 at HOTEL REX in San Francisco. Submissions received after 7/1, will be considered for the August show at THE BELLEVUE CLUB, Oakland. Please note that returning performers are welcome. Submit as often as you like: <https://bayareagenerations.com/how-to-submit/guidelines/>

MARIN POETRY CENTER 2017 SUMMER TRAVELING SHOW CALENDAR
http://www.marinpoetrycenter.org/docs/Traveling_Show_Calendar.pdf

LINKS TO BAY AREA CALENDARS OF POETRY/LITERARY EVENTS:
<http://litseen.com/bay-area-literary-calendar/>
www.sfheart.com/ArtPoetryEvents.html
http://www.creativeideasforyou.com/OPG_Cal_List.pdf
<http://www.avotcja.org/ongoing-poetry-readings.html>
www.poetryflash.org/calendar/

CALIFORNIA POETS website <http://californiapoets.net> (launched January 2015 by JANNIE DRESSER).
Contact & Guidelines for Submissions: http://californiapoets.net/contact_guidelines_for_submission

Jannie also offers Bay Area salons/classes/workshops.

For more info, email: janniedres@att.net

SAN FRANCISCO PEACE AND HOPE is an online publication, along with an award-winning inaugural book in 2015, that promotes peace through poetry, writing and visual art.
<http://www.sfpeaceandhope.com/>

SOME INTERNET RADIO PROGRAMS FOR POETS AND WRITERS:
<https://sites.google.com/site/bayareapoetscoalition/Home/internet-radio-poetry-programs>

NEW BOOKS by BAPC MEMBERS
(announcements posted for 3 consecutive months; 1 listing per member per year):

Breaking News 45! -- JEANNETTE DESBOINE delivers a pounding lyric essay inspired by the 45th president of the United States. Available at https://www.amazon.com/Breaking-News-45-Jeannette-DesBoine/dp/1544768745/ref=asap_bc?ie=UTF8

Tripping With the Top Down by ELLARAIN LOCKIE: a hand-stitched 44-page chapbook of poems, recently released by FootHills Publishing: <http://www.foothillspublishing.com/2017/lockie.html>

What We Claim...What We Are by political and human nature satirist GARRETT MURPHY. In this collection of works, Murphy explores and lays bare one's perceptions, ideals and realities in the never-ending dispute between the American (and World) dream, its perceived reality and its true reality. \$10.95 (\$10.00 at readings). Available through Amazon.com or by the link www.createspace.com/6865890

[Members, email your book info to poetalk@aol.com]

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