

BAY AREA POETS COALITION (est. 1974)

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Presents an OPEN POETRY READING

SATURDAY July 7, 2018 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:

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

Monday, September 3, 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 39th ANNUAL CONTEST: MAGGI H. MEYER MEMORIAL POETRY CONTEST 2018
Open for entries September 1 thru November 15.
Contest rules will be posted 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 fall months if you are able. Basic annual dues remain at \$15. Donations of any amount are always appreciated. Grateful thanks for your support!!

The official nomination and application process for the next CALIFORNIA POET LAUREATE is now open. The submission deadline is July 25, 2018. Poets may self-nominate, or be nominated by experts in the field of literature. <http://arts.ca.gov/news/prdetail.php?id=267>

Also, check out the road trip that current CA Poet Laureate DANA GIOIA has been on:
<http://capoetlaureate.net/>

Sunday, July 1, 1:00-3:00 PM: SAN FRANCISCO PEACE AND HOPE 2018 FEST and BOOK LAUNCH for *San Francisco Peace and Hope: Light the Sky*. Event is being held at ARISE GALLERY, 678 Portola Dr., San Francisco (adjacent to Purple Church: herchurch.org). Free parking. The program includes

featured readings and presentations by poet and artist contributors in the anthology. Through poetry and art we will reflect on these challenging times as we celebrate the changeless aspects of life. Featured poets and artists: NATICA ANGILLY, RICHARD ANGILLY, CLAIRE J. BAKER, LUCILLE LANG DAY, ELAINE DREW, KAREN ELIZABETH HUFF, PHILIP LEWENTHAL – Tribute to VINCE STORTI, JOHN ROWE, DEBORAH K. TASH, WINNIE THOMPSON, NANCY WAKEMAN. Bay Area poet KIT KENNEDY will be the MC. Welcome by artist and Pastor STACY BOORN. Founding Director and Editor ELIZABETH HACK will give a short talk. Music by harpist JACK PANTALEO. No open mic. Light refreshments served. www.sfpeaceandhope.com

Sunday, July 1, 2:00-4:00 PM: First Sunday Poetry Series at ROSANNA'S EUROPEAN DELIGHTS, 305 First St., Benicia. Hosted by JOHANNA ELY. 7/1 Featured Poet: KATHLEEN MCCLUNG. An OPEN MIC follows with 3 minutes per poet. Everyone is welcome! jelyabc13@yahoo.com

Sunday, July 1, 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: 7/2: ROOPA RAMAMOORTHY; 7/9: NADINE LOCKHART; 7/16: DAVID ZELTZER; 7/23: COLEEN MCKEE; 7/30: STORYTELLING / FLASH FICTION NIGHT. Hosts: BRUCE BAGNELL, JIM BARNARD, JAN DEDERICK, and GARY TURCHIN. email: poetryexpress@gmail.com / <http://poetryexpressberkeley.blogspot.com/>

Monday, July 2: 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. 7/2 Features: BILL VARTNAW & JULIE ROGERS -- 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 4: ~ HOLIDAY ~ No meeting this afternoon of ELDER VOICES PERFORMANCE & OPEN MIC SERIES at NORTH BERKELEY SENIOR CENTER (back on the 1st Weds. in August). No poetry tonight at SACRED GROUNDS in S.F. (cafe closed), but this weekly series resumes on 7/11. The ALAMEDA ISLAND POETS and PANDEMONIUM PRESS readings, which normally meet on the 1st Weds. of the month, have moved up to the 2nd Weds. this month (see listings for July 11).

Saturday, July 7, 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). 7/7 Featured Poet: ALAN BERN followed by an OPEN MIC. For further info, contact STEPHANIE MANNING: (510) 295-8498. Website: <http://www.lapromenadecafe.com/events.html>

Sunday, July 8, 3:30-5:00 PM: BRITT-MARIE'S 2ND SUNDAY POETRY SERIES with features: DIDI GOODMAN, LILY IONA MACKENZIE, KATHRYN JORDAN. Series curated by BARB REYNOLDS. 1369 Solano Ave., Albany. Reserve dinner afterwards: (510) 527-1314 / <http://brittmariesolano.com/poetry/>

Tuesday, July 10, 6:30-9:00 PM: COASTSIDE POETRY READING at CAFE SOCIETY, 522 Main St., HALF MOON BAY. Doors open at 6:30 PM and beverages and light fare will be available. Featured

readers start at 7 PM. 7/10 Features: SANDRA ANFANG & BRIAN TIERNEY. An OPEN MIC will follow with 10 readers (up to 5 minutes each, poetry only please). Sign-up sheet will be at the coffee bar. This 2nd Tuesday series is co-hosted by DIANE MOOMEY & STEVE LONG. For more info or to be added to the email list, contact: dianeleemoomey@coastsidepoetry.org or stevelong@coastsidepoetry.org / website: <http://www.coastsidepoetry.org/>

Wednesday, July 11, 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. 7/11 Features: CAROLE DWINELL & CONNIE POST. 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.) nanettedetz@comcast.net / Website: <http://www.alamedaislandpoets.org/> / <https://www.frankbettecenter.org/alameda-island-poets.html>

Wednesday, July 11, 7:00 PM: PANDEMONIUM PRESS presents POETRY OF WITNESS with featured readers: MK CHAVEZ, LUCILLE LANG DAY, SUSAN GUBERNAT, JAMES CAGNEY. At THE OCTOPUS LITERARY SALON, 2101 Webster St., Oakland (x st. 22nd). OPEN MIC sign-up at pandemoniumpress@gmail.com. Admission is free, although donations are happily accepted. Hosted by LEILA RAE. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1219526824849007/>

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. July Features: 7/4: The venue is closed; 7/11: PATRICE HAAN; 7/18: NELLIE WONG; 7/25: WILL CROSS

Wednesday, July 11, 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. 7/11 Program/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 12, 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-2>

Thursday, July 12, 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 / <https://www.frankbettecenter.org/alameda-island-poets-workshop.html>

Friday, July 13, 7:00-9:00 PM: ELANA LEVY & BARBARA SAUNDERS will read at NEFELI CAFE, 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 at Nefeli since March 2007!). 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. For more info, email: djensenpoet@att.net or rowepoet@yahoo.com / <https://www.facebook.com/events/1780071162048991/>

Friday, July 13, 7:00-9:30 PM: MY WORD OPEN MIC at CAFE LEILA, 1724 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 7/13 Features: JAN STECKEL & GENE BRICE. Open Mic follows features. Hosted by: ELAINE C. BROWN (aka POET E SPOKEN) & KELLIANE PARKER. <https://www.facebook.com/My-Word-Open-Mic-142276163092434/> email: poet.espoken@yahoo.com

Saturday, July 14, 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 14, 5:00-8:30 PM An Evening of Poetry, Art, and Music at Bridge Storage and Artspace, 23 Maine Ave., Richmond. 5:00 -7:00 PM: Art Reception for LAUREN ARI Exhibition with music from TIN SANDWICH; 7:00-8:00 PM: Poetry performance with musical accompaniment featuring Richmond Poets Laureate ROB LIPTON, DANIEL ARI, CIERA-JEVAE GORDON and guests. <https://www.facebook.com/events/229763441153264/>

Saturday, July 14, 7:00-9:00 PM: POETRY, PROSE & MORE Series (2nd Saturdays) at FRANK BETTE CENTER FOR THE ARTS, 1601 Paru St., Alameda. 7/14 Features: CAMILLE MILLER & GEOFF GEIGER followed by OPEN MIC. Hosted by JEANNE LUPTON. Donations welcome. For more info, email: jeany98@aol.com / website: <http://www.frankbettecenter.org/poetry-at-the-bette.html>

(3) Sundays, July 15, August 15, September 9, 6:00-8:00 PM: If you want inspiration and opportunity for generative writing (using prompts to draft poetry or prose), check out The WRITE-A-THON, which DANIEL ARI is teaching at The WRITING SALON, 2121 Bonar St., Studio D, 2nd Fl., Berkeley. The Writing Salon is a long-running hub of creativity, community, craft and critique. Sign up or learn more here: <https://www.writingsalons.com/event/write-a-thon/>

Tuesday, July 17, 6:00-7:30 PM: Summer Reading at the EL CERRITO LIBRARY with El Cerrito Poet Laureate MAW SHEIN WIN joined by BARUCH PORRAS HERNANDEZ. The event will include an OPEN MIC. El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave. (510) 526-7512 / <https://www.facebook.com/events/815784968618934/>

Friday, July 20, 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). 7/20 Features: JUDY WELLS & DALE JENSEN, followed by an OPEN MIC. <http://www.expressionsgallery.org>

Sunday, July 22, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM: POETRY FESTIVAL -- an OPEN MIC COMMUNITY EVENT -- hosted by SALLY LOVE SAUNDERS. All are welcome to bring poems to read 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

Monday, July 23, 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. Bay Area Generations 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 #59 on 7/23 at THE BINDERY, 1727 Haight St., San Francisco. Guest Curator: KATHLEEN MCCLUNG. Submissions received after 7/1, will be considered for the August 2018 show in Oakland. Please note that returning performers are welcome. Submit as often as you like: <https://bayareagenerations.com/how-to-submit/guidelines/> <https://www.facebook.com/events/2026862657574891/>

Saturday, July 28, 2:00-4:00 PM: GEARBOX POETRY. OPEN MIC sign-up starts at 1:30. 7/28 Features: RYANAUSTIN DENNIS. At GEARBOX GALLERY, 770 W Grand Ave., Oakland. Host: DAVID ZELTZER dzeltzer@acm.org

Saturday, July 28, 3:00-5:00 PM: Join us on 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.) 7/28 Features: TBA. 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/music-word-la-palabra-musical> or <http://www.avotcja.org/upcoming-events.html>

Saturday, July 28, 7:30-9:30 PM: The POETRY SERIES (last Saturday of the month, typically) at FLOREY'S BOOK COMPANY, 2120 Palmetto Ave., Pacifica. 7/28 Features: MARVIN R. HIEMSTRA & BRIAN MARTENS, followed by a break with light refreshments, then OPEN MIC. Series coordinated and hosted by SHERRI ROSE-WALKER: sherrirose-walker@hotmail.com

MARIN POETRY CENTER 2018 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 and upcoming new book in 2018, 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

The Typists Play Monopoly (Kelsay Books) by KATHLEEN McCLUNG is available now on Amazon:
<https://www.amazon.com/Typists-Play-Monopoly-Kathleen-McClung/dp/1947465600/>

Road Worrier: Poems of the Inner and Outer Landscape is SANDRA ANFANG's second poetry chapbook from Finishing Line Press: <https://www.finishinglinepress.com/product/road-worrier-poems-of-the-inner-and-outer-landscape-by-sandra-anfang/>

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

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