

# The New Jersey Poetry Resource Book

## 2016

This guide was written for New Jersey poets to help them find resources that will develop and promote their writing and enjoy the art of poetry. All entries are based on material available at the time of publication. Suggestions for updates are welcome. Please send to [sbalik@pccc.edu](mailto:sbalik@pccc.edu).

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## Major Organizations

### **NEW JERSEY STATE COUNCIL ON THE ARTS (NJSCA)**

225 West State Street

P.O. Box 306

Trenton, NJ 08625-0306

Elizabeth A. Mattson, Chair

Sharon Burton Turner, 1st Vice Chair

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E-mail: [Feedback@sos.nj.gov](mailto:Feedback@sos.nj.gov)

Website: [www.artsCouncil.nj.gov](http://www.artsCouncil.nj.gov)

Social:  [New Jersey State Council on the Arts](#) |

 [@NJArtsCouncil](#)

The NJSCA is an agency of the state government in the Department of State. The Council receives and administers an annual appropriation from the State of New Jersey and the National Endowment for the Arts. NJSCA encourages and gives financial support to artists, art organizations and arts programs throughout New Jersey in accordance with standards set forth in regularly published application guidelines. Among the programs it supports are Fellowships for poets and other artists. At present, these are administered by the Mid-Atlantic Arts Foundation (201 N Charles Street, suite 401, Baltimore, MD 21201, Tel: 410-539-6656, [www.midatlanticarts.org](http://www.midatlanticarts.org)). The Council also supports Artists in Education Residencies that provide program cosponsors with funds for artists to work in schools with teachers and students. Additional funding is made available to nonprofit organizations that have a clearly articulated organizational mission relating to the arts, and to educational, public service or government organizations, institutions or agencies that have full-

time, ongoing arts programs. The Council also administers Local Arts Grants to foster quality arts programming for local communities by county arts agencies.

**GERALDINE R. DODGE FOUNDATION**

14 Maple Avenue, Suite 400

Morristown, NJ 07960

Chris Daggett, President and CEO

RoseAnn DeBois, Grants Manager

Martin J. Farawell, Program Director, Poetry

Ysabel Y. Gonzalez, Asst. Director of Poetry Program

Tel: (973) 695-1185

E-mail: [festival@grdodge.org](mailto:festival@grdodge.org)

Website: [www.dodgepoetry.org](http://www.dodgepoetry.org)

The Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation was established in 1974 and focuses on issues critical to New Jersey, and nonprofit organizations whose work has a direct and meaningful impact in the state. The Geraldine R. Dodge Poetry Festival, launched in 1986, spawned a complementary Poetry-in-the-Schools Program. Later, the schools and festival programs were merged into a larger poetry program. The fourteen biennial Poetry Festivals combined have drawn approximately 155,000 people from 43 states - including 18,000 teachers and 45,000 high school students. Nobel Laureates Octavio Paz and Derek Walcott have appeared at the Festival, as well as figures of such international stature as Nigeria's Chinua Achebe; Israel's Yehuda Amichai and Aharon Shabtai; the United Kingdom's Poet Laureate Andrew Motion; and Korea's most prolific and respected poet, Ko Un, frequently short-listed for the Nobel Prize. The Dodge Poetry Festivals have also given rise to several NPR radio programs and five PBS television series,

including *The Power of the Word*, *The Language of Life* and *Fooling with Words*, all hosted by Bill Moyers and seen by a national audience of nearly 50 million. In 2008, *Poetry Everywhere*, a series of film shorts by Emmy and Peabody Award-winning filmmaker David Grubin, and featuring footage from previous Dodge Poetry Festivals, premiered on WGBH. In the same year, the Dodge Festival You Tube channel was launched, and more recently, the creation of the Geraldine R. Dodge Poetry Festival Audio and Video Archive, consisting of over 2,500 hours of audio and video recordings.

### **THE POETRY CENTER AT PASSAIC COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE (PCCC)**

One College Boulevard


Paterson, NJ 07505-1179

Maria Mazziotti Gillan, Founder/Executive Director

Tel: (973) 684-6555

Email: [sdesai@pccc.edu](mailto:sdesai@pccc.edu)

Website: [www.poetrycenterpccc.com](http://www.poetrycenterpccc.com)

Social:  [The Poetry Center at Passaic County Community College](#)

The Poetry Center, founded in 1980 by award-winning poet Maria Mazziotti Gillan has hosted thousands of poets over the years at its readings, workshops and conferences. These include poet laureates, Pulitzer Prize winners, inaugural poets, and others of national and international reputation, such as Allen Ginsberg, Amiri Baraka, Lucille Clifton, Stanley Kunitz, Ruth Stone, Sharon Olds, Billy Collins, Richard Blanco, and Patricia Smith. The Poetry Center's connection with an urban multi-cultural, multi-ethnic community gives it a vibrancy, a unique flavor that influences its programming, which includes: The Distinguished Poets

Series, which features workshops and readings with well-known poets and open readings; four literary contests—the Allen Ginsberg Poetry Award, The Paterson Poetry Prize, The Paterson Fiction Prize and the Paterson Prize for Books for Young People; the publishing of the annual *Paterson Literary Review*, the monthly New Jersey Poetry Calendar, as well as other resource books and anthologies; and the broadcast of its reading series on a northern New Jersey cable programming, POETRYWORKS/USA. For more information on Poetry Center programming, visit [pccc.edu/cultural-affairs/poetry](http://pccc.edu/cultural-affairs/poetry). For Maria Mazziotti Gillan's webpage/blog visit [www.mariagillan.com](http://www.mariagillan.com).

## **Writers' Conferences & Festivals**

### **GERALDINE R. DODGE POETRY FESTIVAL**

14 Maple Avenue, Suite 400

Morristown, NJ 07960

Chris Daggett, President and CEO

RoseAnn DeBois, Grants Manager

Martin J. Farawell, Program Director, Poetry

Ysabel Y. Gonzalez, Asst. Director of Poetry Program

Tel: (973) 695-1185

E-mail: [festival@grdodge.org](mailto:festival@grdodge.org)

Website: [www.dodgepoetry.org](http://www.dodgepoetry.org)

Social:  [Geraldine R. Dodge Poetry Festival](#)

 [@DodgePoetryFest](#)

Frequency: Biennial since 1986.

The Geraldine R. Dodge Poetry Festival is the largest poetry event in North America. It includes four days of simultaneous poetry readings and panel discussions. Special opportunities for pre-registered high school

students and teachers. Featured Poets have included: Amiri Baraka, Robert Bly, Lucille Clifton, Billy Collins, Dianne di Prima, Mark Doty, Allen Ginsberg, Marie Howe, Stanley Kunitz, Philip Levine, W. S. Merwin, Joyce Carol Oates, Sharon Olds, Mary Oliver, Marge Piercy, Robert Pinsky, Adrienne Rich, William Stafford, Gerald Stern, Ruth Stone, C. K. Williams, among others.

### **WEST CALDWELL POETRY FESTIVAL**

West Caldwell Public Library

30 Clinton Road

West Caldwell, NJ 07006

Diane Lockward, Festival Director

Tel: (973) 226-0807, (973) 226-5441

Email: [dslockward@gmail.com](mailto:dslockward@gmail.com)

Website: <http://wcplnj.org/>

Frequency: Annually held on a Sunday in May, 1-5 PM  
Journal editors answer publishing questions, and subscription/submission information is available. Journals are available for purchase Poetry readings are offered throughout the afternoon (each journal is represented by two poets).

### **PRINCETON POETRY FESTIVAL**

Lewis Center for the Arts

185 Nassau Street

Princeton, NJ 08544

Steve Runk, Director of Communications

Tel: (609) 258-5262

Email: [srunk@princeton.edu](mailto:srunk@princeton.edu)

Website: <http://arts.princeton.edu/>

Social:  [Lewis Center for the Arts](#)

 [@princetonarts](#)

Tickets: \$15 daily, or \$25, two-day Festival Pass. Princeton University's Lewis Center for the Arts hosts the two-day biennial event, featuring award-winning poets from around the world. Both nationally and internationally renowned poets read and take part in panel discussions.

**TIFERET YOGA & POETRY RETREAT**

*Writing From the Ground Up: A Transformational Retreat*

[editors@tiferetjournal.com](mailto:editors@tiferetjournal.com)

Website: <http://tiferetjournal.com/>

211 Dryden Rd

Bernardsville, NJ 07924

Donna Baier Stein, Program Coordinator

Tel: (908) 872-1775

Frequency: Annual

Fee: \$85, includes lunch

Yoga practice designed to explore personal stability and inspire writing.

**WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY SPRING WRITER'S CONFERENCE**

English Department

300 Pompton Rd.

Wayne, NJ 07470

John Parras, Poetry Director

TEL: 973-720-3067

Email: [parrasj@wpu.edu/writing](mailto:parrasj@wpu.edu/writing)

Website: [www.wpunj.edu/writing](http://www.wpunj.edu/writing)

Fee: \$55 (\$22 for WPU undergraduate students, \$33 for WPU graduate students).

This annual spring conference, which is held on the WPU campus, features readings and workshops in



poetry, fiction, and creative nonfiction. The faculty most recently has included: poets Hadara Bar-Nadav and Charlotte Nekola; fiction writers Philip Cioffari, Barbara Krasner, and West Moss; and nonfiction writers Laurie Lico Albanese, David Borkowski, Randall Klein, and Luc Sante.

## Reading Series

### **CARRIAGE HOUSE POETRY SERIES**

Patricia M. Kuran Cultural Arts Center  
Watson Rd. (GPS, use 75 N. Martine Avenue)  
Fanwood, NJ 07023

Program Coordinator: Adele Kenny

Tel: (908) 889-7223

Blog: <http://carriagehousepoetryseries.blogspot.com/>

Social:  [Carriage House Poetry Series](#)

Frequency: third Tuesday of the month, 8 pm,  
from Feb. – June, and September – December.

Featured poets followed by an open reading.

Readings feature well-established contemporary poets, such as, Mark Doty, Gerald Stern, Alicia Ostriker, Maria Mazziotti Gillan, Laura Boss, Taylor Mali, BJ Ward, Joe Weil, Patricia Smith, and others.

Sponsors: NJ State Council on the Arts and Fanwood Borough Mayor and Council.

### **DISTINGUISHED POETS SERIES**

The Poetry Center at Passaic County  
Community College  
One College Boulevard  
Paterson, NJ 07505-1179

Program Coordinator: Maria Mazziotti Gillan

Tel: (973) 684-6555

Email: [sdesai@pccc.edu](mailto:sdesai@pccc.edu)

Website: [www.poetrycenterpccc.com/readings](http://www.poetrycenterpccc.com/readings)

Social: **f** [The Poetry Center at Passaic County Community College](#)

Frequency: first Saturday of the month, 1 PM,  
October – December, February - May. Featured poets followed by an open reading. The series has featured internationally and nationally known poets, such as, Diane di Prima, Allen Ginsberg, Gerald Stern, Philip Levine, Mark Doty, Sharon Olds, Stanley Kunitz, Patricia Smith, Richard Blanco, C.K. Williams. Funded, in part, by a grant from the NJ State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts.

### **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY POETRY NIGHT SERIES**

Highland Park Public Library

31 North 5<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Highland Park, NJ 08904

Program Coordinator: Valeri Drach Weidman

Tel: (732) 572-2750

Email: [valeri84@hpplnj.org](mailto:valeri84@hpplnj.org)

Website: [www.hpplnj.org/poetry](http://www.hpplnj.org/poetry)

Frequency: last Tuesday of the month, 7:30 PM

### **GIRL TALK: A POETRY READING IN CELEBRATION OF WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

West Caldwell Library

30 Clinton Rd.

West Caldwell, NJ 07006

Program Coordinator: Diane Lockward

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Tel: (973) 226-5441 (Library)

E-mail: [www.dianelockward.com](http://www.dianelockward.com)

Website: <http://www.dianelockward.com/about1.html>

Frequency: Annual

### **MONTCLAIR MONTHLY POETRY SERIES**

Montclair Public Library

Auditorium

50 South Fullerton Ave.

Montclair, NJ 07042

Program Coordinators: Laura Boss and Maria

Mazziotti Gillan

Tel: (973) 744-0500 (Library)

Email: [LBoss79270@aol.com](mailto:LBoss79270@aol.com);

[mariagillan@verizon.net](mailto:mariagillan@verizon.net)

Frequency: first Thursday of the month, 7:00 PM

Featured poets followed by an open reading.

### **POETRY & MUSIC AT THE ANT**

ANT Bookstore and Café

345 Clifton Avenue

Clifton, NJ 07011

Program Coordinator: Jim Gwyn

Tel: 973-777-2704

Email: [ERGO.therefore@gmail.com](mailto:ERGO.therefore@gmail.com)

Website: <http://antbookstore.com/poetry-nights/>

Social: <https://www.facebook.com/antbookstore/>

Frequency: third Saturday of the month, 7 PM

Featured poets followed by an open mic (poetry and music).

**POETS WEDNESDAY**

Barron Arts Center  
582 Rahway Avenue  
Woodbridge, NJ 07095  
Program Coordinator: Deborah LaVeglia  
Tel: (732) 634-0413  
Email: [poetred@aol.com](mailto:poetred@aol.com)  
Website: [www.poetswednesday.com](http://www.poetswednesday.com)  
Frequency: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 8 PM  
Featured poets followed by an open reading.

**SOMERSET POETRY GROUP**

Bridgewater Library  
Room C  
1 Vogt Drive  
Bridgewater, NJ 08807  
Program Coordinator: Bob Rosenbloom  
Tel: (732) 371-3817  
E-mail: [bloom306@yahoo.com](mailto:bloom306@yahoo.com)  
Website: [bloom306@yahoo.com](mailto:bloom306@yahoo.com)  
Frequency: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7 PM  
Featured poets followed by an open reading.



**WARREN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
VISITING AUTHORS SERIES**

Warren County Community College  
475 Route 57 West  
Washington, NJ 07882  
Program Coordinator: B. J. Ward  
Tel: (908) 835-2531 (information)  
Website: [www.warren.edu](http://www.warren.edu)  
Frequency: Five readings per academic year.

**WOMEN READING ALOUD**

Bernardsville Public Library  
1 Anderson Hill Road  
Bernardsville, NJ 07924  
Program Coordinator: Julie Maloney  
Tel: (908) 766-0118  
Website: [www.womenreadingaloud.org/guest-authors](http://www.womenreadingaloud.org/guest-authors)  
Featured poets, novelists and memoirists.

**THE WILLIAMS CENTER READING SERIES**

Williams Center for the Arts  
One Williams Plaza  
Rutherford, NJ 07070  
Program Coordinator: John Barrale  
Email: [john.barrale@gmail.com](mailto:john.barrale@gmail.com)  
Website: [www.redwheelbarrowpoets.org](http://www.redwheelbarrowpoets.org)  
Social:  <https://www.facebook.com/RWBPoets>  
 <https://twitter.com/rwbpoets>

Frequency: first Wednesday of the month, 7 PM.  
Featured poets followed by an open reading. On the third or fourth Friday of most months, another reading with music takes place at the Gainville Café (17 Ames St., Rutherford, 7 PM).

**THE WRITERS' ROUNDTABLE**

Unitarian Fellowship  
1 West Nelson Street  
Newton, NJ 07860  
Program Coordinator: Elaine Koplw  
Tel: 908-362-6052  
E-mail: [ekoplw@embarqmail.com](mailto:ekoplw@embarqmail.com)  
Featured poets followed by an open reading.

## **Literary Publications**

### **AMUSE**

Arts Council of Princeton Center for the Arts

102 Witherspoon St.

Princeton, NJ 08542

Tel: (609) 924-8777

Email: [amuse@artscouncilforprinceton.org](mailto:amuse@artscouncilforprinceton.org)

Website:

<http://artscouncilofprinceton.org/community/k-12-work/amuse/>

Social: **f**

<https://www.facebook.com/ArtsCouncilofPrinceton>

Established: 1990

Frequency: annual

Formerly called *UnderAGE*, *aMuse* is a visual arts and literary anthology, publishing the poetry, prose, and artwork of students K-12 in Princeton, Trenton and the surrounding communities.

### **ADANNA LITERARY JOURNAL**

Box 547

Manasquan, NJ 08735

Christine Redman-Waldeyer, Editor

E-mail: [adannajournal@yahoo.com](mailto:adannajournal@yahoo.com)

Website: <http://adannajournal.blogspot.com/adannasubmissions@yahoo.com>

Social: **f**

<https://www.facebook.com/adannajournal1/?fref=ts>

Established: 2011

Submissions must reflect women's issues and celebrate womanhood. Accepts poetry, short stories, short plays, essays, book reviews and interviews.

**EDISON LITERARY REVIEW**

13 Waverly Drive East

Edison, New Jersey 08817

Established: 2002

Website: [www.edisonliteraryreview.org](http://www.edisonliteraryreview.org)

Frequency: annual

Prefers accessible poetry; shorter poems are more likely to be published. No greeting card or political poems. Have published well-known poets from around the U.S. and Europe, as well as emerging poets.

**EXIT 13 MAGAZINE**

PO Box 423

Fanwood, NJ 07023

Tom Plante, Editor

Email: [Exit13magazine@yahoo.com](mailto:Exit13magazine@yahoo.com)

Social:  [Exit 13 Magazine](#)

Established: 1987

Frequency: annual

Poetry by Penny Harter, Edwin Romond, Adele Kenny, Paul Sohar, Maxine Susman, Therese Halscheid, and D.E. Steward. Likes poetry with a sense of geography.

**JOURNAL OF NEW JERSEY POETS**

County College of Morris CH-300

214 Center Grove Road

Randolph, NJ 07869

Emily Birx, Editor

Sander Zulauf, Editor Emeritus

Email: [journalofnjpoets@ccm.edu](mailto:journalofnjpoets@ccm.edu)

Website: [www.journalofnjpoets.com](http://www.journalofnjpoets.com)

Social:  [Journal of NJ Poets](#)

Established: 1974

Frequency: annual

Submissions welcome from New Jersey poets (past and present residents).

**THE KELSEY REVIEW**

Mercer County Community College

102 N. Broad St.

Trenton, NJ 08608

Edward Carmien, Jacky Vogtman, Co-Editors

Tel: (609) 586-4800

Email: [Kelsey.review@mccc.edu](mailto:Kelsey.review@mccc.edu)

Website: [www.mccc.edu/community\\_kelsey-review.shtml](http://www.mccc.edu/community_kelsey-review.shtml)

Social:  [Kelsey Review](#)

Established: 1962

Frequency: annual

Poetry, fiction, articles, creative non-fiction, black and white drawings, and drama. The *Kelsey Review* presents the literary and artistic talents of people living and working in Mercer County, NJ.

**THE LITERARY REVIEW (TLR):  
AN INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL  
OF CONTEMPORARY WRITING**

Farleigh Dickinson University

285 Madison Avenue

Madison, NJ 07940

Craig Morgan Teicher, Michael Morse, Poetry Editors

Email: [info@theliteraryreview.org](mailto:info@theliteraryreview.org)

Website: [www.theliteraryreview.org](http://www.theliteraryreview.org)

Social:  [The Literary Review](#)

 [@TLR\\_tweets](#)

Established: 1957

Frequency: four times a year.



Poetry, fiction, articles, interviews, criticisms and reviews.

**LIPS**

PO Box 616

Florham Park, NJ 07932

Laura Boss, Editor

Email: [lboss79270@aol.com](mailto:lboss79270@aol.com)

Website: [www.laurabosspoet.wordpress.com/lips](http://www.laurabosspoet.wordpress.com/lips)

Established: 1981

Frequency: annual

Contributors include Robert Bly, Allen Ginsberg, Ruth Stone, Marge Piercy, Michael Benedikt, Gregory Corso, Lyn Lifshin, Ted Berrigan, Toi Derricott, Alicia Ostriker, Maria Mazziotti Gillan, and Stanley H. Barkan.

**THE PATERSON LITERARY REVIEW (PLR)**

The Poetry Center

Passaic County Community College

One College Boulevard

Paterson, NJ 07505-1179

Maria Mazziotti Gillan, Editor

Tel: (973) 684-6555

Email: [sdesai@pccc.edu](mailto:sdesai@pccc.edu)

Website: [www.patersonliteraryreview.com](http://www.patersonliteraryreview.com)

Social:  [The Poetry Center at Passaic County Community College](#)

Established: 1979

Frequency: annual

Has featured work by well-known writers such as Allen Ginsberg, Philip Levine, William Stafford, Ruth Stone, Laura Boss, Marge Piercy, and Diane di Prima, as well as emerging writers. Submissions include poetry,

fiction, essays, memoirs, book reviews, artwork and photography. Reading period: June 1 – September 30.

**RARITAN QUARTERLY**

31 Mine Street

New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Jackson Lears, Editor-in-Chief

Richard Poirier, Founder

Stephanie Volmer, Managing Editor

Tel: (848) 932-7887

Email: [rqr@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:rqr@rci.rutgers.edu)

Website: [www.raritanquarterly.rutgers.edu](http://www.raritanquarterly.rutgers.edu)

Established: 1982

Frequency: 4 times a year.

Publishes essays, reviews, poetry, translations, and a limited amount of fiction.

**SENSATIONS MAGAZINE**

PO Box 132

Lafayette, NJ 07848

David Messineo, Publisher/Poetry Editor

Email: [smnj@ptd.net](mailto:smnj@ptd.net)

Website: [www.sensationsmag.com](http://www.sensationsmag.com)

Social:  [Sensations Magazine Published Writers and Artists](#)

Established: 1987

Frequency: bi-annually

Publishes contemporary poetry and fiction, along with academic-style research.

**TIFERET: A JOURNAL OF SPIRITUAL LITERATURE**

Donna Baier Stein, Publisher

Diane Bonavist, Senior Editor

Adele Kenny, Poetry Editor

Email: [editors@tiferetjournal.com](mailto:editors@tiferetjournal.com)

Website: [www.tiferetjournal.com](http://www.tiferetjournal.com)

Social:  [Tiferet Journal](#)

Established: 2003

Published poetry, prose, and commentary that reveal spirit in the human experience. Contributors have included: Jane Hirshfield, Nahid Rachlin, Ray Bradbury, Alicia Ostriker, Robert Pinsky and Ed Hirsh, among others.

**U.S. 1 WORKSHEETS**

P.O. Box 127

Kingston, NJ 08528-0127

Email: [us1poets@gmail.com](mailto:us1poets@gmail.com)

Website: [www.us1poets.com](http://www.us1poets.com)

Established: 1973

The journal has been showcasing the best work from all over America and worldwide. U.S. 1 looks for eclectic, well-crafted, energetic work.


**WORD RIOT**

Doug Paul Case, Poetry Editor

Jackie Corley, Publisher

Website: [www.wordriot.org](http://www.wordriot.org)

Social:  [Word Riot](#)

 [@wordriot](#)

Established: 2002 Publishes poetry, essays, fiction, creative nonfiction, interviews and reviews.

Encourages voices of up-and-coming writers and poets.

## Poetry Workshops

### **ADELE KENNY PRIVATE WORKSHOPS**

Tel: (908) 889-7223

Email: [adelekenny@verizon.net](mailto:adelekenny@verizon.net)

Website: [www.adelekenny.com](http://www.adelekenny.com)

Adele offers private poetry workshops for individuals and small groups in the Westfield, Scotch Plains, Fanwood, Cranford and Clark area. Workshops focus on refining previously written poems and creating new work from a range of prompts. Schedule and fees are negotiable. Adele is the author of 23 books, and the poetry editor of *Tiferet A Journal of Spiritual Literature*.

### **ADULT SCHOOL OF MONTCLAIR**

Adult School of Montclair

Montclair Public Library

50 South Fullerton Avenue

Montclair, NJ 07042

Tel: (973) 744-0500 x2224

Email: [info@adultschool.org](mailto:info@adultschool.org)

Website: [www.adultschool.org](http://www.adultschool.org)

Poetry writing classes. Check the website for information about current courses.

### **DELAWARE VALLEY POETS (DVP)**

Mercer County Public Library

2751 Brunswick Pike

Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

Tel: 609-989-6922

<http://us1poets.com/>

Social: **f**

<https://www.facebook.com/delawarevalleypoetryfestival>

An active group of more than seventy members, the DVP began in Trenton in 1952 with three poets. Co-sponsored with US 1 Worksheets, DVP offers workshops on the first Tuesday of every month at the Lawrenceville branch of the Mercer County Public Library.

### **WRITING YOUR WAY HOME: A POETRY WEEKEND INTENSIVE**

St. Marguerite's House

(at the convent of St. John the Baptist)

82 West Main St.

Mendham, NJ

Maria Mazziotti Gillan and Laura Boss

Tel: (973) 684-6555

Email: [mariagillan@verizon.net](mailto:mariagillan@verizon.net)

Frequency: bi-annually, Friday evening to Sunday afternoon.

Fee: \$425 for workshops, room and meals.

(15 Professional Development Credits.)

An excellent opportunity to create space and time to focus on your writing in a serene setting away from the pressures and distractions of daily life.

### **MURPHY WRITING WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS**

Murphy Writing of Stockton University

35 S Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd

Atlantic City, NJ 08401

Peter E. Murphy, Founder

Amanda Murphy, Director  
Taylor Coyle, Program Coordinator  
(609) 626-3594

Email: [info@murphywriting.com](mailto:info@murphywriting.com)

Website: [www.murphywriting.com](http://www.murphywriting.com)

Social:  [Murphy Writing of Stockton University](#)

 [@MurphyWriting](#)

In fall 2014, Murphy Writing became part of Stockton University programs in the US and abroad. The Winter Poetry & Prose Getaway, founded in 1994, is the flagship program. Others include: Winter Poetry & Prose Getaway; Approaching the Poem; Writing in the Pine; and Shore Thing Writing Getaway.

## **THE POETRY CENTER**

Distinguished Poets Series  
Passaic County Community College  
Hamilton Club Building  
32 Church Street

Paterson, NJ 07505-1179

Tel: (973) 684-6555

Maria Mazziotti Gillan, Founder/Executive Director

Email: [mariagillan@verizon.net](mailto:mariagillan@verizon.net)

Website: [www.poetrycenterpccc.com](http://www.poetrycenterpccc.com)

Social:  [The Poetry Center at Passaic County Community College](#)

Frequency: Oct. – Dec.; Feb - May

Fee: \$20; Pre-registration (see website for form).

Workshop leaders have included: Billy Collins, Mark Doty, Richard Blanco, Patricia Smith, Marge Piercy, Joe Weil, Terrence Hayes, Martín Espada, Toi Derricotte, Jericho Brown, Taylor Mali, C.K. Williams, Rachel McKibbens, and others.

**POETRY WORKSHOPS FOR MATURE ADULTS**

Passaic County Community College

500 Union Avenue

Wanaque, NJ 07420

TEL: 973-684-6555

Email: [sdesai@pccc.edu](mailto:sdesai@pccc.edu)

Fee: \$60 for each 4-week session (fall and spring sessions \$120 total).

[www.poetrycenter.com/workshops](http://www.poetrycenter.com/workshops)

Open to adults age 50 and over. Award-winning poets, Maria Mazziotti Gillan and Laura Boss, alternate leading each workshop in the series (four in fall and four in spring). The focus is on writing narrative poetry, and sharing the work that has just been written in the workshop. Pre-registration required (see website for form and where to mail check).

**WOMEN WHO WRITE, INC.**

P.O. Box 652

Madison, NJ 07940

Ginger Pate, President

Email: [president@womenhowrite.org](mailto:president@womenhowrite.org)

Website: [www.womenhowrite.org](http://www.womenhowrite.org)

Social:  [Women Who Write, Inc.](https://www.facebook.com/WomenWhoWriteInc)

A women writers' organization and non-profit corporation based out of Madison, NJ. Comprised of members-only writing groups which meet all across New Jersey year-round. Welcomes women writers of all ages, walks of life, and literary preference.

**WOMEN READING ALOUD (WRA)**

7 Yorkshire Drive

Mendham, NJ 07945

Julie Maloney

Tel: 973-927-6354

E-mail: [julie@womenreadingaloud.org](mailto:julie@womenreadingaloud.org)

Website: [www.womenreadingaloud.org](http://www.womenreadingaloud.org)

An organization dedicated to the power of the writer's voice. WRA believes in providing space for artistic growth.

## **New Jersey Poetry Calendar**

The Poetry Center

Passaic County Community College

One College Boulevard

Paterson, NJ 07505-1179

Laura Boss and Maria Mazziotti Gillan, Editors

Tel: (973) 684-6555

Email: [sdesai@pccc.edu](mailto:sdesai@pccc.edu)

Website: [www.poetrycenterpccc.com/publications](http://www.poetrycenterpccc.com/publications)

To have your reading listed in the New Jersey Poetry Calendar, please submit the first day of the month preceding the month in which the reading is taking place. Your listing must be typed and in the same format as those included on the calendar. Telephone listings are *not* accepted. The Poetry Center is funded, in part, by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts / Department of State.

## **Small Presses**

### **AFRICA WORLD PRESS**

541 West Ingham Avenue, Suite B

Trenton, NJ 08638



Kassahun Checole, Publisher

Tel: (609) 695-3200

Established: 1983

Email: [customerservice@africaworldpressbooks.com](mailto:customerservice@africaworldpressbooks.com)

Website: [www.africaworldpressbooks.com](http://www.africaworldpressbooks.com)

Social:  [Africa World Press & Red Sea Press Inc.](#) |

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Leading publisher of scholarly works on Africa and its Diaspora. Now in its 33<sup>rd</sup> year of operation, the press has produced over 1,400 volumes of academic research, novels, poetry and children's books.

## **BAREFOOT MUSE PRESS**

P.O. Box 115

Hainesport, NJ 08036

Anna M. Evans, Managing Editor

E-mail: [annaevans@barefootmuse.com](mailto:annaevans@barefootmuse.com)

Website: [www.barefootmuse.com](http://www.barefootmuse.com)

Social:  [Barefoot Muse Press](#)

Established: 2011

Formerly *The Barefoot Muse* online journal, now a small press dedicated to the distribution of formal and metrical verse poetry.

## **CAVANKERRY PRESS, LTD.**

6 Horizon Road, #2901

Fort Lee, NJ 07024

Joan Cusack Handler, Publisher and Senior Editor

Starr Troup, Managing Editor

Tel: (201) 440-6585

Established: 1999

[joan@cavankerrypress.org](mailto:joan@cavankerrypress.org)

[starr@cavankerrypress.org](mailto:starr@cavankerrypress.org)

Website: [www.cavankerrypress.org](http://www.cavankerrypress.org)

Social:  [CavanKerry Press](https://www.facebook.com/CavanKerryPress)

 [@CavanKerryPress](https://twitter.com/CavanKerryPress)

Not-for-profit literary press committed to expanding the reach of poetry to general readership by publishing poets whose works explore the emotional and psychological landscapes of everyday life.

### **INIQUITY PRESS/VENDETTA BOOKS**

P.O. Box 906

Island Heights, NJ 08732

Dave Roskos, publisher

Website:

<http://iniquitypressvendettabooks.outlawpoetry.com/>

Established: 1989

Format: Chap Books

Publishes the jazz and literary criticism of Harvey Pekar, as well as New Jersey poets, Joe Weil, Matt Borkowski, and Paul Sohar. The editor will look at manuscripts, but usually approaches writers he admires and asks for work.

### **PRINCETON UNIVERSITY PRESS**

41 William Street

Princeton, NJ 08540-5237

Tel: (609) 258-4900

Website: [www.press.princeton.edu](http://www.press.princeton.edu)

Social:  [Princeton University Press](https://www.facebook.com/PrincetonUPress)

 [@PrincetonUPress](https://twitter.com/PrincetonUPress)

Publishes a wide range of poets from other cultures in English translation. Poets include well-known writers.

## **QUARTERLY REVIEW OF LITERATURE (QRL)**

Poetry Book Series

One Washington Road

Princeton, NJ, 08544

Tel (609) 258-4703

<http://findingaids.princeton.edu/collections/C0862#description>

Focus is on whole volumes of poetry, including manuscripts with corrections. In the archives are correspondence files for contributors such as, Roger Hecht, Jane Hirschfield, Edmund Keeley, Robert Lowell, William Meredith, W.S Merwin, James Merrill, Marianne Moore, Wallace Stevens, and William Carlos Williams.

## **Enrichment Programs**

### **ARTS AND EDUCATION CENTER**

154 Main Street, Suite 102

Matawan, NJ 07747

Anthony Petito, Executive and Artistic Director

Tel: (732) 566-2787

Email: [info@artsandedcenter.org](mailto:info@artsandedcenter.org)

Social: **f** [Arts and Education Center Arts High and Arts Middle School](#)

Website: [www.artsandedcenter.org](http://www.artsandedcenter.org)

Gifted and talented students in 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade audition, and are selected for the program, and receive courses in literacy, proofing and visual arts, taught by distinguished teaching-artists.

### **GERALDINE R. DODGE**

### **POETRY-IN-THE-SCHOOLS PROGRAM**

14 Maple Avenue, Suite 400

Morristown, NJ 07962-1239  
Martin Farawell, Program Director  
Ysabel Y. Gonzalez, Assistant Director - Poetry  
Tel: (973) 540-8442 ext. 5  
Fax: (973) 540-1211  
E-mail: [poetryprogram@grdodge.org](mailto:poetryprogram@grdodge.org)  
Website: [www.dodgepoetry.org](http://www.dodgepoetry.org)  
Social:  [Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation](#)  
 [@grdodge](#)

Since its inception in 1987, the program has sent visiting Dodge Poets into over 300 NJ high schools in every region of the state. The program currently offers single-day Dodge Poet Visits to NJ high schools, at no cost to participating schools. The program also co-sponsors and assists in the development of mini-poetry festivals at a dozen state high schools. Each spring, *Clearing the Spring, Tending the Fountain* is offered as a series of six weekly poetry exploration groups for NJ teachers.

### **THEATER AND POETRY PROJECT: (TAPP)**

Passaic County Community College (PCCC)  
One College Boulevard  
Paterson, NJ 07505  
Maria Mazziotti Gillan, Executive Director  
Susan Amsterdam, TAPP Coordinator  
Tel: (973) 684-6182  
E-mail: [samsterdam@pccc.edu](mailto:samsterdam@pccc.edu)  
Website: [www.pccc.edu/tapp](http://www.pccc.edu/tapp)

TAPP has two components: a theater series in the PCCC Theater, and in-class visits by poets and authors in Paterson Public Schools. The theatrical performances introduce young people from diverse cultures to classic children's stories and multicultural programs. The in-school visits consists of poetry

writing workshops, performance poetry, and meet-the-author sessions. The in-class component culminates in a district-wide poetry contest, a public reading at PCCC, and a student poetry anthology.

### **POETRY OUT LOUD (POL)**

New Jersey State Council on the Arts (NJSCA)

PO Box 306

NJSCA

Trenton, NJ 08625-0306

Kay Potucek, NJ Poetry Out Loud Coordinator

609-474-0529

[njpol@ptnj.org](mailto:njpol@ptnj.org)

[www.jerseyarts.com/pol/](http://www.jerseyarts.com/pol/)

POL, a free national program sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and the Poetry Foundation, encourages high school students across the country to learn about great works of classic and contemporary poetry through memorization and recitation. Participants compete for awards and scholarships totaling \$50,000.

### **Online Event Postings**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/172099176459001/>

(The Gauntlet: a link to poetry readings and more)

<http://murphywriting.com/calendar.html>

[www.poetrycenterpccc.com/readings](http://www.poetrycenterpccc.com/readings)

[www.poetrycenterpccc.com/workshops](http://www.poetrycenterpccc.com/workshops)

[www.northjersey.com/events](http://www.northjersey.com/events)

[www.nj.com/events](http://www.nj.com/events)

<http://www.baristanet.com/events>

<http://eventful.com/events>

<http://njmonthly.com/arts-events>