As we welcome in the New Year, the search for Nevada County's next Poet Laureate is on!

Nevada County Arts Council is accepting nominations for the position through February 15, 2019.

We value your voice!

In 2017 we were thrilled to partner with Nevada County Board of Supervisors to inaugurate a Poet Laureate Program for our
Alongside Dana Gioia, California Poet Laureate, we welcomed celebrated poet Molly Fisk into the role at our inaugural Sierra Poetry Festival in April of that year for a two year term.

On April 27, 2019 Molly will be present at a Passing of the Laurels ceremony at our 3rd Sierra Poetry Festival to welcome our new Poet Laureate. Help us by nominating a poet of your choice, and letting others know to do the same.

Simply click the button above to learn more about the role and make your nomination. Poets are welcome to self-nominate!

Why a Poet Laureate?

Poetry is the fastest growing artform in the United States. Like communities across the world, we believe that poetry has the power to inspire, heal and build bridges. We believe that it is a healthy way to share experiences, teach patience and joy, and bring communities together.

Our Nevada County Poet Laureate shares the art of poetry and encourages literacy and learning in Nevada County extending through a two-year term. One of our goals for this program is to bring poetry to students of all ages who might otherwise have little exposure.

Allen Ginsberg at The International Poetry Incarnation in June 1965, which placed poetry at the forefront of a cultural revolution that continues today...