

Northfield Poet Laureate Report January 2019

Programming

January 10: Hosted Poetry Night: Faribault Poets (attendance: 25)
January 18: Be Heard Minnesota Youth Poetry Slam (attendance: 100)
January 19: Read poem ("Milkweed") at WINGS annual meeting
January 26: Hosted 2019 Sidewalk Poetry Kick-off
January 28: Read poem at 2019 Living Treasure Award celebration

Meetings

January 9: Layna Mestad (teen writing group)
January 15 & 24: Bridget Novak (poetry possibilities at Laura Baker)
January 16: Alan Rubenstein (poetry recitation group)
January 28: Nancy & Cindy Carlson, Wendy Smith, Dan Kallman (community dinner)
January 31: Bonnie Jean Flom (sidewalk poetry)

Upcoming Events

February 7: Poetry Night: Christopher Bakken (7pm, Northfield Public Library)
February 15: Submission deadline for Writers Night
February 28: Submission deadline for sidewalk poetry

Other

I've been asked to write a poem for the State of the City address event (March 18), to serve on the Creativity Committee for a community dinner in August, and to be the Content Expert for a GVP teacher's Master's degree capstone project on poetry.

January Expenses

Be Heard MN Youth Poetry Slam: \$1,500 (SEMAC grant funds). Awaiting invoice.
Poet Laureate Stipend: \$400 (\$250 from SEMAC funds, \$150 from public library funds).