

Northfield Poet Laureate Report July 2018

Completed Projects

- The selections from the First Friday Art Night Writers Night at Tanzenwald are available as a PDF here: http://guides.mynpl.org/ld.php?content_id=42952023
- A collection of “Living Will” poems by local poets can be found as a PDF here: http://guides.mynpl.org/ld.php?content_id=43071971
The Convenings, which hosted an event in Northfield in February (see [February 2018 Northfield Poet Laureate Report](#)), has plans to post and publicize the poems on their website and on social media.

Projects in Progress

- Contacted poet Magdalena Kaluza, a member of the Latinx spoken word collective Palabristas, about participating in the 2nd annual Northfield Poetry Festival and National Hispanic Heritage Month celebration at the Northfield Public Library. Awaiting confirmation.

Scheduled Events for Fall 2018

September

- 13: Kai Carlson-Wee, author of *Rail* and creative writing instructor at Stanford University (Content).
- 29: Northfield Poetry Festival, Day 1: Poetry Reading at Content featuring Minnesota Poet Laureate Joyce Sutphen (Content).
- 30: Northfield Poetry Festival, Day 2: *Whitman Illuminated*, a one-person show about Walt Whitman, conceived and performed by Patrick Scully (formerly of Patrick’s Cabaret). This show will subsequently move to the Guthrie Theater (NAG Theater).

October

- 1: Northfield Poetry Festival, Day 3: Minnesota Book Award winner Bao Phi (Content).
- 11: Nichole Borg, author of *All Roads Lead Home* (Northfield Public Library)
- 17-18: “Words on Water” poetry workshop, led by Rob (FiftyNorth)

November

- 15: Michael Kleber-Diggs, Anoka County Poet Laureate (Northfield Public Library)

Kudos

- Steven McCown (3-time Sidewalk Poetry competition winner) and Rob Hardy have poems in the Spring/Summer 2018 issue of *Lost Lake Folk Opera* magazine, published in Rushford, Minnesota. The issue includes six poems by Steve, three by Rob, and poems by Minnesota Poet Laureate Joyce Sutphen and current and former poets laureate from Winona and Duluth.
- Leslie Schultz will be giving a poetry reading at Eat My Words Bookstore in Minneapolis (214 13th Avenue NE) on Thursday, August 16, at 7pm.