

## **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).