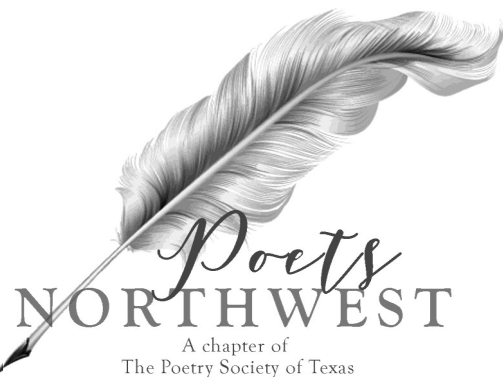


Newsletter



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Saturday, September 21, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
Monthly Meeting

In person at
Windwood Presbyterian Church
10555 Spring-Cypress Rd. Room A120
Houston, TX 77070
and on ZOOM
Meeting ID: ID 880 9344 5673
Passcode 980175

Bones

People sometimes say that poets rely too heavily on adjectives and adverbs. For this month, bring a poem that contains no adverbs or adjectives. Make your nouns and verbs stronger.

We like you to share your poems on-screen as you read them. If you want us to share them, send them to Steve at stephen.schwei@gmail.com in a Word document or in the body of the email by Friday, 9/20/24, at 9pm. You can send poems you intend to read in the read-around as well.

Read-Around

Everyone is invited to read one or two original poems (with a one page limit each).

Door Prize

This month's Door Prize is provided by Lynn Roberts Grice.

Poets Northwest News

Member News

Mike Owens' poem, "Tamale Stand," was selected for publication in the "Texas Bards Anthology," by the small press, Little Gems Poetry Press, located in Long Island New York. Little Gems Poetry Press publishes state-based anthologies in 30 states.

Door Prize Donors Needed!

We still need a door prize donor for November. Please contact Lynn Grice or sign up at the meeting. Thank you to everyone who has already brought or signed up to bring a door prize!

If you have any publishing or personal (illness, death, marriage, baby etc.) news you would like to share, please e-mail it to Holly Jahangiri at poetsnw.news@gmail.com by the 1st of each month. **Please specify whether you would like this news shared privately with current club members or in the newsletter and on social media.** The newsletter is typically posted on our website and good news may be shared on social media unless you request that it not be.

Poetry Society of Texas

The next general meeting of the Poetry Society of Texas will be held on September 14, 2024. The featured speaker is Robert (Bob) Schinzel, 2023 Catherine Casse Lubbe Manuscript Prize Winner. See [The Bulletin](#) for more details.

Monthly Contest Rules Changes

Monthly contest entries will be accepted from Sept 1 through 15th. There are a few minor procedural changes and clarifications to the monthly contest rules, notably how to prepare entries and where to send them—see <https://poetrysocietyoftexas.org/contests/monthly-contests/> Lynn Grice is the new Contest Chairman for the PST Monthly Contests!

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The Mission of Poets Northwest

Founded in 1986, by Susan Daubenspeck, Betty Kersh and Claire Ottenstein-Ross, our main objective is to facilitate and inspire poets to write more poetry. We provide information about current poetry contests, feature guest poets on a regular basis, study the masters of creative verse, and encourage members. Poets are also encouraged to read their poems at each meeting. Membership is \$15 annually (Jan-Dec) & \$7 for 12 & under. Meetings are held the 3rd Saturday of each month from 10 AM to noon at the Windwood Presbyterian Church, 10555 Spring Cypress., Houston, TX 77070, and on ZOOM.

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1. Join Give with Bing (<https://www.bing.com/give/join>) Bing is owned by Microsoft.
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3. Earn points for your chosen non-profit by using Bing to search the web (on your phone and on your browser!) and by completing “daily sets,” quizzes, polls, or any offer with a blue heart icon on your dashboard. It's fun and it costs you nothing but a few minutes each day. You can do these things while watching TV. You can earn up to 150 points per day.



All members of Poets Northwest are encouraged to join the Poetry Society of Texas

Dues are only \$25/year (year runs July–June) and their Annual Contest/ Banquet, Summer Conference and “The Bulletin” will keep you in contact with other Texas poets and offer opportunities you won't want to miss. Membership in PST also means you are a member of the *National Federation of State Poetry Societies* and eligible for their annual contest. Visit www.poetrysocietyoftexas.org for more information.