



Poets Northwest Newsletter

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Saturday June 15th

10:00 A.M.

at

Windwood Presbyterian Church

10555 Spring-Cypress Rd.

Houston, TX 77070

Room 124

Inspiration vs Perspiration

Is poetry inspired art or just hard work?
Our revision meeting in March showed different
perspectives on this. Karen Mastracchio will further
that dialogue with some writing ideas and we will
write a quick poem or two.

Read-Around

Everyone is invited to bring
1 or 2 original poems
1 page limit each

Door Prize provided by—Eric Blanchard

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.



We had a wonderful time of celebrating our talented Poets Northwest poets at our **32nd Annual Poets Northwest Spring Fling on May 18, 2019**

28 categories, \$1,220 in prize money, 22 poets entered 360 poems,
\$128 was raised from the Silent Auction and Door Prize
23 Poets and guests enjoyed Clementine’s delicious buffet & desserts

Member News



- ✍ **Karen Mastracchio** was the *PST Remote Spotlight Poet* for May.
- ✍ **Eric Blanchard** and **Terry Jude Miller** were winners in PST’s May Monthly Contest.
- ✍ **Courtney O’Banion Smith’s** poem, “Plunder,” will appear in the 2-2– Texas Poetry Calendar published by Kallisto Gaia Press.

Share your publishing or personal news with your fellow poets. If you have news for the newsletter, please send it directly to Lynn Grice at e-mail texaspoet53@hotmail.com by the 1st of each month.

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

Dues are only \$25/year (year runs July—June) **SEND YOUR DUES NOW!!!** 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. Go to www.poetrysocietyoftexas.org for more information.

Prompts & Pathways

Poetry Society of Texas 50th Annual Summer Conference
July 11-13, 2019 in Denton Texas

See the PST website for further information

2019 Annual Contest Deadline is postmarked August 15.
Contest Brochure is on the PST website



PNW’s 2017 anthology, ***Honoring Art—An Eckphrastic Anthology***, will be available for purchase at the meeting, or contact Lynn Grice. \$6 each.

“A poet must never make a statement simply because it sounds poetically exciting; he must also believe it to be true.” ~*W.H. Auden*