

Poets Northwest Newsletter

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Saturday September 15th

9:30 A.M.– 12 Noon

Note time change for THIS meeting only

at

Windwood Presbyterian Church

10555 Spring-Cypress Rd.

Houston, TX 77070

Room 124

True Lies and Real Poems

A morning workshop with
Susan Maxwell Campbell

“My husband is fond of saying, ‘Why should you stick to the facts? That just spoils a good story.’ And keeping tightly to truth doesn’t always produce a good poem, either. On the other hand, we’re told to write what we know, so how much can you or should you invent in a poem? We’ll examine works of three writers along the spectrum of truth and fabrication in order to sharpen our awareness of how making something up can strengthen a poem. After a short break, we’ll look at specific writing prompts for invention in poetry; take some time to draft a poem; and share that stub of a poem.” -Susan Maxwell Campbell

Door Prize provided by—Lynn Roberts Grice

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 \$12 annually (Jan-Dec) & \$6 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.

Member News

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 or call 281.371.7111 by the 1st of each month.

✍ **Mike Owens** has been selected as a Juried Poet for the 2018 Houston Poetry Fest. The formal reading sessions are Fri, Oct. 12 @ 7:30 p.m.; Sat. Oct. 13 @ 7:30 p.m.; & Sun. Oct. 14 @ 2:00 p.m. at the University of Houston—Downtown. Congratulations!

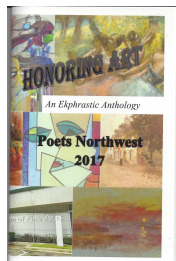
✍ **Courtney O'Banion Smith's** poem, "The Viewing," appears in this year's Spring issue of Relief: A Journal of Art and Faith. Congratulations!



Resources

Our Poets Northwest website has many books on the craft of poetry listed, along with two of the best websites for poets/writers. Go to www.poetsnw.com and click **Resources**

Check your favorite local bookstore, Amazon, or other on-line source for these books.



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

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Poetry Society of Texas News & Information

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. **Current Members—It's time to Renew!!!** Go to www.poetrysocietyoftexas.org for more information.

Good Luck to all the Poets Northwest members that entered the PST Annual Contest.

"Poetry is language at its most distilled and most powerful." ~Rita Dove

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