

*Sixth International Symposium on Poetic Inquiry/
17th Annual Mid-American Review Winter Wheat Literary Festival*

Bowling Green State University/ November 2-4, 2017

Poetry as/in/for Social Justice

Thursday November 2, 2017

Coffee and Pastries

BTSU

Session One **Time for Poetry and Social Justice** 9:00 am -10:20 am Sky Bank Room

1. Jeff Adams: “Numbly Poetic”
2. Robin Barre: “Chronos Eats His Children: A Poetic Inquiry Into Time as a Social Justice Issue”
3. Heidi van Rooyen: “Race, class and identity in post-Apartheid South Africa: Making Colouredness Visible through Poetic Inquiry”
4. Nancy Viva Davis Halifax: “against & alongside: crip & diffractive readings of institutional violences”

Session Two **Poetry and Poets in the Classroom and Beyond** 10:30 am-12:00 pm Sky Bank

1. Alecia Beymer: “Poets as Civic Agents in a Secondary English Classroom”
2. Andrejs Kulnieks: “Arts-informed poetic inquiry: Developing environmentally inspired curriculum for educational leadership through literacies “
3. Sandra Pylvainen: “Poetry as Evocation: Secondary English Teacher- Poets Connect Through Poetry”
4. Robert Christopher Nellis: “Toward a Poetics of Graceful Pedagogy: Interspecies Encounter and a Certain Silence, Unsayings, Unknowing...”

5. Laura Arpol and Mark McCarthy: “Practicing Politics: Dialogic Poetic Inquiry into a Children's Literature Course”

LUNCH 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm **On your own** **BTSU Falcon’s Nest**

Session Three **Music and Visual in the Poetic Line** 1:00 pm – 2:20 pm Sky Bank

1. Maya Borhani: “Poetry through Song: Sounds of Resistance”
2. Sandra Filippelli: “Healing Self and Society in Contemporary Times: A Poetic Reflection on Ahimsa and Visual Art”
3. Lynne Scott Constantine & Suzanne Scott Constantine: “There is a Crack in Everything”: A Joint Memoir of Our Quest to Find the Light Leaks”
4. Jen Selman: “The Compassion of Strangers”
5. Kiran Bangerh: “Hip Hop Poetry as Self-Inquiry”

Session Four **Poetry in Time of Crisis** 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm Sky Bank

1. David Chang & Lee Beavington: “The Life of Blossom: Living Poetically in the Anthropocene”
2. Alexandra Fidyk: “Poetry as Ethical Action”
3. Ann Folwell Stanford: Two Voices and a Photograph
4. Sean Wiebe & Pauline Sameshima: “Generating Futures: Poetry and the Art of Being/Nothing”
5. Amanda Gulla & Molly H. Sherman: “Nobody Knows the Stories of Others: Young Immigrant Writers Find Voice and Empowerment through Poetry”

BREAK 4:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Session Five **Poetic Responses to Work and Community Issues** 4:30 pm -6:00 pm Sky Bank

1. John J. Guiney Yallop: "A Poetic Inquiry into Bullying in the Workplace"
2. Kedrick James: "PhoneMe: A social media community-based poetry project"
3. Adrian Schoone: "P.S. Did you feel that? A reflection on poetic research in public and policy environments"
4. Sheila Stewart: "Poetic Inquiry Supporting Processes of Social Change"
5. Monica Prendergast: "Poetic inquiry in the post-qualitative era: Toward a critical anthology"

DINNER

On your own

Reading: Thereza Williams

7:30 pm Prout Chapel BGSU

Friday, November 3, 2017

Coffee and Pastries

Session One **Poetry as Radical Self-Care** 9:00 am -10:20 am Sky Bank Room

1. Adam Henze: "A Graduate Student uses National Poetry Writing Month to Consider Seasonal Depression, Stress-Eating, Loneliness, and His Alcohol Intake"
2. Christi Kramer: "A word to sustain the weary"
3. Sarah MacKenzie-Dawson: "Open Stitches: Finding Self, Connection and Possibility within the Poetic Pause"
4. Margaret McKeon: "Poetically Stepping into the Gifts of Relational Responsibility"
5. Vicki Saunders: "Mapping songlines in Aboriginal child protection"

Session Two **War and Poetry** 10:30 am -12:00 pm Sky Bank Room

1. Natalie Honein: "Spectators in a tragedy"
2. Anne McCrary Sullivan: "Learning Calabar"

Keynote Presentation: Dr. Mary Weems

4:30-5:30 pm

Book Signing: [table outside BTSU 206 (200D)]

Dinner Reception and Open Mic

Grumpy Dave's Pub