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Summary of Sonoma County Poet Laureate Activities

August 2024—December 2025

1) Monthly Blog: Sonoma County Literary Update https://socolitupdate.com/poet-laureates-news/

I have submitted a blog for every month of my laureateship, in which I summarize the month's activities and sometimes share my views on an aspect of poetic craft or share a poem submitted to me by someone in the poetry community written in response to one of my workshops. Navigating to the Sonoma County Literary Update website or subscribing to the monthly email update is the best way to stay current with my activities as poet laureate. Here's the subscription link: https://wordpress.us4.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=8478d6463d8703be4a5d1f4f4&id=60e54c39b7

2) Workshops Conducted

- Dusty Artifact or Window Into the Past? Writing Poems About Sonoma County History. Museum of Sonoma County. January 15, 2025.
- Poetry Challenge I: Abstraction through Form. Sebastopol Center for the Arts. March 2, 2025.
- Poetry Challenge II: Documentary Poetry. Sebastopol Center for the Arts. March 30, 2025.
- Uncovering Sonoma County's History through Poetry. Sonoma County History and Genealogy Library. April 5, 2025.
- Poetry Challenge III: Interweaving Found Text. Sebastopol Center for the Arts. May 4, 2025.
- Zoka: Looking for Overlooked Nature in the Suburban Landscape of Healdsburg Plaza. The 222, Healdsburg. August 10, 2025.
- Round Table Discussion on the Poetry of Marianne Moore. The Sitting Room, Cotati. September 27, 2025.

NOTE: workshop materials can be found on my website at:

https://daveseter.com/poet-laureate-project

3) Public Readings

- August 20, 2024: Inauguration as 13th Sonoma County Poet Laureate. Sebastopol Center for the Arts.
- September 15, 2024: Petaluma Poetry Walk
- September 29. 2024: Café Frida Poetry Series / curated by Ed Coletti
- October 19, 2024: Falling Leaves Festival / Sun Ridge Charter School
- October 26, 2024: Trashlantis Festival, Sebastopol
- February 3, 2025: New Rivertown Poets, Petaluma
- March 22, 2025: Russian River Books and Letters, Guerneville

- April 26, 2025: Independent Book Store Day / Poet's Corner Book Shop, Duncan's Mills
- May 27, 2025: Barrel Proof Lounge Reading Series / curated by Timothy Williams
- June 6, 2025: Mammoth Publications Reading / Ciao Bruto, Healdsburg
- September 18, 2025: Third Thursday, Duncan's Mills.
- September 21, 2025: Petaluma Poetry Walk
- October 4, 2025: Print and Poetry Festival / NBLA / Graton, CA.
- December 9. 2025: Cast Member for a reading of Dylan Thomas' "A Child's Christmas in Wales". Barrel Proof Lounge, Santa Rosa.

4) Radio Appearances

- September 5, 2024: KSVY with Lin Marie De Vincent / Sonoma Valley Poet on the Beat
- September 12, 2024: KRCB with Doug Jayne
- November 15, 2024: KGUA / Resilient Earth Radio Podcast
- April 1, 2025: KSVY with Lin Marie De Vincent / Sonoma Valley Poet on the Beat
- September 15, 2025: Wine Country Radio 95.5 The Drive with Daedalus Howell
- October 16, 2025: KSVY with Lin Marie De Vincent / Sonoma Valley Poet on the Beat

5) Other

- Judge / Sonoma County Poetry Out Loud / February 2, 2025
- Judge / Sonoma County Fair Poetry Competition / July 25, 2025
- Co-host / Poetry at the Sonoma County Fair / August 9, 2025
- Occasional Poem Written and Delivered at the Reopening of the Petaluma Library / August 25, 2025
- Occasional Poem Written and Delivered / Ode to Poet's Corner Book Shop / September 18, 2025.
- Occasional Poem Written and Delivered / On the Occasion of the Print and Poetry Festival / October 4, 2025
- Judge / Poetry Slam / Brew Café, Santa Rosa / October 15. 2025
- Host / Poetry of Remembrance / Petaluma Historical Library and Museum / October 25, 2025
- Featured Guest at Sonoma Land Trust Holiday Event / at which I read my poem "Baylands" about the Land Trust's Sears Point Wetlands Restoration Project / November 13, 2025
- Produced and Distributed for Free at Various Events / Folios of My Poems (Bird Strikes Began with Wilbur Wright; Badger; Godzilla versus an Octopus of Ice) and Translations from the Lithuanian (Rivers in Pipes; Ostrich Ferns)