

POETICIZE—Working Out with the Written Word

—Understanding and Incorporating the Beauty of Language into our Everyday Lives—

A partnership between Indiana University Northwest and Books, Brushes & Bands for Education

A REGIONAL POETRY CONTEST: Deadline for Submissions is April 29, 2006

VISIT www.bbb4e.org for more details.

Organized by: **Bill Buckley, Ph.D.**, Regional Poet and English Professor at Indiana University Northwest

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Beyond this regional poetry contest, workshops are being held to encourage and explore the art of writing poetry in combination with the visual and musical arts.

IMPORTANT WORKSHOP DETAILS:

RESERVATIONS are required. SEATING IS LIMITED. WORKSHOPS ARE FREE.

POEMS MAY BE SUBMITTED after attending a workshop session.

Students should bring a self-contained sack lunch and photographs or objects of nature for inspiration.

All other materials will be provided. **Students are to be picked up promptly!**

Workshops, presented by Category level, will be held on the following dates:

Elementary Grades 3, 4, and 5 Saturday, April 29, 2006 9:30 AM-2:00 PM

- Hammond Public Library, 564 State Street, Hammond/Community Room
- Call 931-5100 for reservations.
- Presenter: Sharon Palmeri, a *TIMES* columnist, she is also the founder of *Write-On Hoosiers* and has been teaching poetry writing to children for many years.

Middle School Grades 6, 7, and 8 Saturday, March 25, 2006 9:30 AM-2:00 PM

- Crown Point Library, 214 South Court St. Call 663-0270 for reservations.
- Presenter: Diane Chary, a retired teacher from River Forest Junior High. She is a freelance
- correspondent to the *Post-Tribune*. Diane enjoys teaching most of all and is delighted to be
- involved in this project.

Calumet College of Saint Joseph, 2400 New York Avenue, Whiting, Rm. 417

- Call 937-3737 for reservations.
- Presenter: Connie Sowa Wachala, a teacher of creative writing at Calumet College. She runs
- writing workshops at the Munster Park and Recreation Department. Her writing appeared in the
- Chicago Tribune*, *Boundary Waters Journal*, and *Arts Indiana* among others.

High School Saturday, April 8, 2006 9:30 AM-2:00 PM

- Brauer Museum of Art, Valparaiso University Call 937-3737 for reservations.
- Presenter: Debbie Ekdahl, currently teaches English at Hammond High School. She earned her
- Bachelor's Degree from Indiana University Northwest. She received her teaching certification
- through the Urban Teacher Education Program.

College Undergraduates Saturday, April 1, 2006 9:30 AM-2:00 PM

- Purdue University Calumet, 2200 169th Street, CLO 137 Call 937-3737 for reservations.
- Presenter: Jim Gordon, a *Post-Tribune* columnist and film critic for 22 years, has been published
- in *Spirits*. Jim earned his B.A. in English Literature Indiana University and a Ph.D. in film from
- Northwestern University.

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