

Lorine Niedecker Wisconsin Poetry Festival
Friday, October 14 thru Sunday October 16, 2011
Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin



FRIDAY, October 14, 2011

5:00 Café Carpe opens for dinner
6:30 – 8:30 Welcome Gathering, Music, Poetry Open Mic Café Carpe
Music and poetry: Bill Orth and Cathryn Cofell
Moderator: Cathryn Cofell

SATURDAY, October 15, 2011

8:30 Poetry Café and Poetry Store Open Library
Registration, Poetry Publishers, freebies, exchanges

8:30 Poetry Publishers Showcase Library Gallery
Publishers will be selling publications and books.

Hoard Historical Museum is open from 9:30 – 4:30. 1 block walk
Exhibits: Lorine Niedecker, Native American, Dairy and Civil War History

9:00 - 10:15 How To Make a Poem Your Own Community Room
Moderator: John Lehman

10:15 – 10:30 Poetry Café Break Library

10:30 – 12:30 Nature of Wisconsin Poetry Community Room
This traditionally lively panel gets everyone thinking about poetry, their own and an overview of the state of Wisconsin poetry. How are poets and poetry best supported and what improvements might be made? Are there divisions separating poets that should be bridged? How should good writing be encouraged to raise the bar in general, and raise the profile of Wisconsin poetry nationally, even internationally? Discussion, questions and maybe even answers.
Moderators: Sarah Busse, Wendy Vardaman, Editors, Verse Wisconsin
Panel includes: B.J. Best, Brenda Cardenas, Cathryn Cofell, Derrick Harriell
Kim Blaeser, Laurel Bastian, Thomas R. Smith

12:30 – 1:30 Welcome and Box Lunch Poetry Café and Community Room
(\$10, registration required for box lunch.)

1:30 – 3:30 Wisconsin Poetry Showcase Community Room
Moderator: Rusty Russell. Sign up in Poetry Cafe

3:30 – 5:00 Poetry Round Tables - A new small group format this year.
Invited poets will read and discuss their work in small groups. There will be two 40 minute sessions with a 10 minute break.

Group A	Laurel Bastian, CX Dillhunt	Poetry Cafe
Group B	B.J. Best, Derrick Harriell	Community Room
Group C	Cathryn Cofell, Brenda Cardenas	Friends Room
Group D	Thomas R. Smith, Kim Blaeser	Library Gallery

5:00 Poetry Café - Gathering for dinner connections. Poetry Cafe

5:00 – 6:30 Dinner on your own or with dinner groups. Sign up in Poetry Café.

6:30 – 8:00 Poetry Film Festival Community Room
Master of Ceremonies: Cathy Cook
Film can be a powerful communicator. Poetry through film will be an experience. Cathy will feature words and moving images from early cinema and avant-garde film to contemporary expressions: from hip-hop to Flarf, texting, advertisements and poetry in motion. Films will be diverse and engaging including live-action, animation, montage and sculpture.

SUNDAY, October 16, 2011

9:00 – 9:05 Tribute to Marilla Fuge Community Room

9:05 – 10:15 Understanding Lorine’s Poetry Community Room
Lorine Niedecker took words and weeds and water and sky and made of them something which resonated far beyond her marshes, poetry which speaks across all boundaries and borders. What does Lorine do in her poetry, and how does she do it?
Moderator: Tom Montag

10:30 – 11:45 Oriental Elements in Lorine Niedecker’s Poetry Community Room
Moderators: Tom Montag, Michael Nichols Wisdom

Special Poetry Café Guest, Julie Millen Schoessow Poetry Café

11:45 – 12:45 Lunch Poetry Café
Box Lunch, \$10 Registration required.

1:00 – 3:00 Blackhawk Island Writer’s Workshop Blackhawk Island
For those who are interested in writing "in the spirit of Lorine" this workshop is being held on the property that was Lorine's home along the Rock River. This location is full of inspiration. Participants will create new work. Free, registration required. Limit 20
Moderator: Lisa Fishman and Brian Mornar

1:00 – 2:30 Wisconsin Poetry Showcase II Community Room
Moderator: Ron Ellis. Sign up in Poetry Café.

3:00 – 5:00 Margot Peters Presents “Lorine’s Bio Book Bash” Café Carpe

Margot's biography "Lorine Niedecker: A Poets Life" will be published by UW Press this fall. Come and celebrate, bring a Lorine limerick to swap, enjoy light refreshment and, back by popular demand, Grasshoppers.

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