

## Phoenix Theatre

4:00 pm • 201 Washington St.

*Celebration of Red Indian Road West:*

*Native American Poetry from California*

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**Dave Holt**, born Toronto, Canada, of Irish/English, Ojibway ancestry, moved to California, graduated from SFSU, performs his prize-winning poems in many venues; won a Literary/Cultural Arts award for his book *Voyages to Ancestral Islands*, is in four anthologies including *Red Indian Road West*; and *Descansos*, where his poem received a Pushcart nomination.

**Linda Noel** is a California native of the Koyunkowi (Konkow) people. She has published one chapbook titled "Where You First Saw the Eyes of Coyote". She has a poem included in the permanent collection at the Autry Museum of the West. She was the Poet Laureate of Ukiah from 2003-2005.

**Kurt Schweigman** is co-editor of *Red Indian Road West: Native American Poetry from California* (Scarlet Tanager Books, 2016). He was a featured poet at the prestigious Geraldine R. Dodge 12th Biennial Poetry Festival and recipient of various literature grants. Kurt is an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

## Petaluma Historical Library and Museum

5:00 pm • 20 Fourth St.

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**Phyllis Meshulam's** full-length poetry book, *Land of My Father's War*, comes from Cherry Grove Collections. Her work appears in magazines from *Ars Medica* to *Teachers & Writers* and several chapbooks. She teaches with California Poets in the Schools and edited CalPoets' *Poetry Crossing*, "a joyful collection of lessons and poems."

With Sonoma County California Poets in the Schools students who write in English and Spanish.

This event is supported by Poets & Writers Inc. through grants it has received from The James Irvine Foundation and is co-sponsored by Poetry Flash.

## Aqus Café

6:00 – 8:00 pm • Foundry Wharf 189 H St.

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Originally from San Francisco, **Tongo Eisen-Martin** is a poet, movement worker and educator. His book titled, "Someone's Dead Already" was nominated for a California Book Award. His latest book of poems "Heaven Is All Goodbyes" was published in the City Lights Pocket Poets Series, won the California Book Award and is currently shortlisted for the upcoming Griffin Poetry Prize.

**Q. R. Hand, Jr.** is the author of three poetry books, the latest being *whose really blues, new & selected poems* (Taurean Horn Press). He is a member of the wordwind chorus, a Bay Area quartet that performs poetry with jazz. Recipient of Pen Oakland's Reginald Lockett Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012.

**E.K. Keith** is a Latinx poet whose work can be enjoyed in print, on the radio, online, and in person. She organizes San Francisco's annual open mic celebration of poetry inside City Hall, Poems Under the Dome. Nomadic Press will publish E.K.'s first book of poetry, *Ordinary Villains*, in Fall 2018.

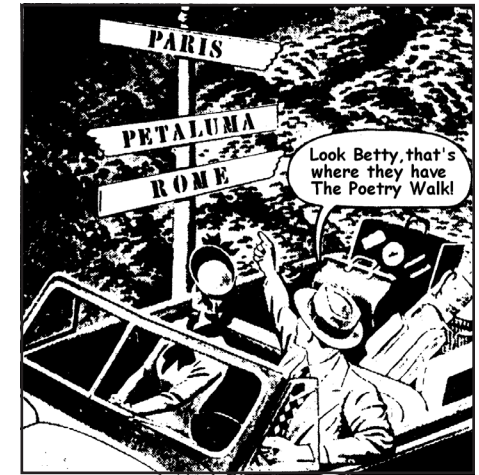
**Kim Shuck** is a silly protein. She has recently taken up marathon poetry performance, in April she did 34 poetry related events in 30 days. There have been awards, degrees, nominations, publications and also some poems she doesn't even understand herself. Kim writes every day, often just before dawn. She is the current and 7th Poet Laureate of San Francisco.

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# Petaluma Poetry Walk



Enjoy a memorable stroll through historic Petaluma, California, with scheduled stops along the way to hear noted poets read their works.

## Downtown Petaluma Sunday, September 16 11:00 am – 8:00 pm

All events are FREE and within walking distance

For additional information, please contact:  
(707) 347-9793  
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## Hotel Petaluma Ballroom

11:00 am • 205 Kentucky St.

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**Fran Claggett-Holland** teaches poetry and memoir writing through OLLI and in her home. Bill Vartnaw's Taurean Horn Press published her first poetry book, while Charlie Pendergast's RiskPress published her second. Last summer she launched *Moments with Madge: Lux Aeterna*, in honor and memory of her spouse and colleague Madge Holland.

**Maya Khosla** is serving as the Poet Laureate of Sonoma County, California (2018-2019). Her collections include *Web of Water* (nonfiction), *Keel Bone* and *Heart of the Tearing* (poems). Her new poetry collection, *Unknown World on Fire*, is forthcoming from Sixteen Rivers Press. She has received writing awards from Bear Star Press and Flyway.

Before founding Bear Star Press ([www.bearstarpress.com](http://www.bearstarpress.com)) in 1996, **Beth Spencer** worked as a maid, waitress, file clerk, poker dealer, zookeeper, clinic administrator, code enforcement officer, bookstore clerk, college professor, and freelance grant-writer. She wishes everyone would boycott Amazon and buy their books directly from independent bookstores and presses.

## Bump City Bakery

12:00 Noon • 122 American Alley, Suite B

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**Sashana Kane Proctor** published her first book of poetry last year. Her work has appeared in *The Scream* online's anthology, "Heaven and Hell," and as an Honorable Mention in *New Millennium Writings*. She hosts a monthly open mic in Guerneville and "Come to Know the Poets," a yearly poetry event featuring local poets.

**Chris Olander** is a poet/teacher with California Poets in Schools since 1984. He teaches and reads his poetry throughout California, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii; published in anthologies, magazines and organizes poetry readings and festivals in Berkeley and Grass Valley. His newest poetry book: "River Light" available from book stores everywhere.

**Kate Peper's** chapbook, *Dipped In Black Water*, won the New Women's Voices Award from Finishing Line Press, 2016. Her poems have been nominated five times for a Pushcart and have appeared in *The Baltimore Review*, *Cimarron Review*, *Gargoyle*, *Rattle*, *Tar River Review* and others.

## River Front Café

1:00 PM • 224 B St

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**Donna L. Emerson** lives in Petaluma, California, and New York. Recently retired from Santa Rosa Jr. College. Donna's award-winning publications include the *New Ohio Review*, *CALYX*, the *Paterson Literary Review*. She has published four chapbooks and a full length book. Her most recent awards: nominations for a Pushcart, Best of the Net, and two Allen Ginsberg awards.

**Jackie Huss Hallerberg** is a Sonoma County Poet-Teacher and Board President of California Poets in the Schools. Jackie's poetry has been featured in anthologies of the Squaw Valley Community of Writers, Marin Poetry Center and local firestorm publications. Her chapbook, *Along Poetic Lines*, and cd, *Poems of Motherhood*, were self-published. <https://www.jackiehuss.com/>

**Carolyn Miller's** books of poetry are *Route 66 and Its Sorrows*, *After Cocteau*, and *Light, Moving*. Her poems have appeared in *The Gettysburg Review*, *The Southern Review*, *Prairie Schooner*, and *The Georgia Review*. Her honors include the James Boatwright Award from Shenandoah and the Rainmaker Award from Zone 3.

## North Bay Café

2:00 PM • 25 Petaluma Blvd. S.  
*Poets who write in English and Spanish*

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**Avotcja** has been published in English & Spanish in the USA, Mexico & Europe, and in more anthologies than she remembers. Author of *With Every Step I Take* (Taurean Horn Press). She leads award-winning jazz group, Avotcja & Modúpue. Lifetime Achievement Awards from Berkeley Poetry Festival (2014) & Pen Oakland (2015).

**Jabez Churchill** is a Bilingual California Poet in the Public Schools since 1998, primarily with Spanish-speaking students and youth at risk. Contributing member of Poets Responding to SB 1070. Member of Ina Coolbrith Poetry Circle. Poet laureate emeritus of Ukiah, 2014-2016. Most recently published in *Deep Valley: Poets Laureate of Ukiah*, 2001-2018.

**Rafael Jesús González** ([rjgonzalez.blogspot.com](http://rjgonzalez.blogspot.com)) Professor Emeritus of Creative Writing & Literature, bilingual poet in Spanish and English, has thrice been nominated for a Pushcart Prize, was honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award by the City of Berkeley 2015, and named Berkeley's first Poet Laureate in 2017. His book *La musa lunática/The Lunatic Muse* was published in 2009.

## Copperfield's Bookstore

3:00 pm • 140 Kentucky St.

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**Jodi Hottel's** most recent chapbook is *Voyeur* from WordTech Press. *Heart Mountain*, her first chapbook, was winner of the 2012 Blue Light Press Poetry Prize. Jodi's been published in *Nimrod International*, *Spillway*, *Ekphrasis*, and anthologies from the University of Iowa Press, Tebot Bach, and the Marin Poetry Center.

**Prartho Sereno's** most recent collection is *Indian Rope Trick*. Her other books include *Elephant Raga*, *Call from Paris*, and *Causing a Stir: The Secret Lives & Loves of Kitchen Utensils*. She is Poet in the Schools, teaches at the College of Marin, and was Poet Laureate of Marin County, 2015-2017.

**Andrena Zawinski** is a veteran educator and activist poet whose work has received accolades for lyricism, form, spirituality, and social concern. Her latest collection is *Landings*. She has two previous award winning books: *Something About* and *Traveling in Reflected Light*. She runs the San Francisco Bay Area Women's Poetry Salon and is Features Editor at PoetryMagazine.com

