

NATIONAL POETRY MONTH IN WEST HOLLYWOOD

Lamppost Poetry Banners

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"In today's
sharp sparkle,
this winter air,
any thing can be made,
any sentence begun."

from the poem *Praise Song for the Day*

April 1 – 30,
2016

Throughout the month of April, lamppost banners will be displayed on Santa Monica Blvd. highlighting some of our greatest living poets. #lamppostpoetry

City Council Proclamation

Monday, April 4, 2016 6:30pm
West Hollywood City Council
Chambers Public Meeting Room
625 N. San Vicente Boulevard

The City Council will proclaim April National Poetry Month at their regular City Council Meeting with City Poet Steven Reigns in attendance.

Senior Moments Writing Workshop

April 11, 2016 2:00 – 4:00pm
West Hollywood Library
Community Room
625 N. San Vicente Boulevard

This workshop will help writers, novice to experienced, generate new work for the Senior Moments annual publication. City Poet Steven Reigns, having taught senior writing workshops for a decade, will lead this FREE supportive workshop. Sponsored by The City of West Hollywood's Social Services Division.

Red Hen Press presents Jason Schneiderman, Brendan Constantine, & Katharine Coles

Monday, April 25, 2016 7:00pm
Book Soup: 8818 W. Sunset Blvd.

Three Red Hen authors read from their respective collections.

Poetry in Lights

April 1 – 30, 2016
West Hollywood Gateway
(7100 Santa Monica Boulevard)
1 OAK (9039 W. Sunset Boulevard)

Two electronic billboards in West Hollywood will showcase 22 poets throughout the month of April for National Poetry Month. See their poem excerpts and portraits in lights. For biographical information on the poets, visit weho.org/arts. #poetryinlights

national
poetry month



And suddenly
the bougainvillea greet you
like a happy extortionist

From the poem: *Detective Supremo*

Laurel Ann Bogen

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West Hollywood Poetry Bookmarks

April 1 – 30, 2016
West Hollywood Library,
Plummer Park, and locations
throughout the city

Look for four different bookmarks representing the poetry lamppost banners honoring some of our greatest living poets.

Kim Dower Book Release Party

Sunday, April 3, 2016
4:00pm
Book Soup
8818 W. Sunset Blvd.

Poet and West Hollywood resident Kim Dower's book release party and reading for her collection *Last Train to the Missing Planet*.



Poetry Writing Workshop



Thursday, April 21, 2016 - 7:30pm
West Hollywood Library Community Room
625 N. San Vicente Boulevard

Expect a supportive environment where you learn to write poetry without doubt or blocks. Perfect for first-timers or prolific poets. You don't need to know the rules of grammar, or spelling, or have a large vocabulary. All you need is a willingness to try, a pen, and paper. Writing workshop lead by WeHo City Poet Steven Reigns. Presented by the City of West Hollywood through WeHo Arts.

WeHo Community Plaza Art Installation

Late April - Date TBD
City Hall Community Plaza
(between the City Hall Automated Parking Structure and City Hall)
8300 Santa Monica Boulevard

Three large vinyl art banners display a unique artistic collaboration between Steven Reigns, City Poet Laureate 2014-16, and local artist MONCHO1929. The work touches on the duality of a frozen moment in time and hints at personal and community ideals related to freedom and motion.

For more information on the City Poet program and other WeHo Arts programs visit weho.org/arts or follow on social media @WeHoArts

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