Great Lakes Poetry Festival Featured Speakers

Thomas Lynch, April 12



Keith Taylor, April 19



Cindy Hunter Morgan, April 26



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Great Lakes Poetry Festival PWPL Events

March 31, Peter White Public Library, (PWPL) Community Room, 6 pm - 8 pm Kickoff/Open Mic

Join us for the start of the Great Lakes Poetry Festival. Bring your poetry to share. Open to all.

April 2, PWPL, Community Room, 1 pm Undergrad Open Mic

Come listen to NMU undergraduates share their creative work.

April 3, PWPL, Virtual, 7 pm Poetry Workshop Led by Marty Achatz Write with the two-time U.P. Poet Laureate.

April 4, PWPL, Community Room, 7 pm - 9 pm Film: Maya Angelou- And Still I Rise Biography of the influential Civil Rights Activist and Poet.

April 5, PWPL, Community Room, 7 pm U.P. Poets Laureate Reading Reading featuring all current and past laureates.

April 6, PWPL, Virtual, 7 pm
Poetry Workshop
Write with poet & artist Ronnie Ferguson.

April 8, PWPL, Community Room, 12 pm Matinee Film: Maya Angelou - And Still I Rise Biography of the influential Civil Rights Activist and Poet

April 9, PWPL, Community Room, 1 pm 3-Day Chapbook Reading Reading by the three winners of the competition & open mic for all competition entrants.

April 10, PWPL, Virtual, 7 pm Poetry Workshop

Write with poet & artist Ronnie Ferguson.

April 11 PWPL, Shiras Room, 6 pm Film: Reflections of An American Sunrise Documentary about the 2021 NEA Big Read in Marquette, featuring people and events related to An American Sunrise by Joy Harjo. Q & A with the filmmakers after the screening.

April 12, PWPL, Comm. Room & Livestream, 7 pm Thomas Lynch and Kathleen Heideman Poetry reading with music by Esther Margaret Ayers.

April 13, PWPL, Virtual, 7 pm - Poetry Workshop Led by Marty Achatz Write with two-time U.P. Poet Laureate.

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April 15, PWPL, Virtual 12 pm

Matinee Film: Reflections of An American Sunrise
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Marquette, featuring people and events related to
An American Sunrise by Joy Harjo. Q & A with the
filmmakers after the screening.

April 18, PWPL, Heritage Room, 7 pm Film: Moccasins and Microphones

Film exploring modern Native American storytelling through performance poetry.

April 19, PWPL, Community Room, 7 pm Keith Taylor and Milton Bates Poetry reading with music by Noah Bauer

April 20, PWPL, Virtual, 7 pm Poetry Workshop Write with poet & artist Ronnie Ferguson.

April 22, PWPL, Community Room, 12 pm Matinee Film: Moccasins and Microphones Film exploring modern Native American storytelling through performance poetry.

April 23, PWPL, Community Room, 1 pm Teen Reading/Poetry Contest Reading featuring winners and participants from Great Lakes Teen Poetry Contest.

April 24, Morgan Chapel, 7 pm Cindy Hunter Morgan and Lynn Domina Poetry reading with music by Kerry Yost.

April 25, PWPL Community Room, 7 pm Film: Bigfoot and Marty

Documentary about Bigfoot, two-time U.P. Laureate Marty Achatz, and more. Q & A with filmmakers after the screening.

April 26, PWPL, Community Room, 7 pm Bluesday Tuesday

Blues concert sponsored by the Marquette Area Blues Society.

April 28, PWPL, Community Room, 6 pm Poetry Jam Closing

Bring your poems to share with improvisational accompaniment. Music by Michael Waite.

April 29, Virtual, 12 pm
Matinee Film: Bigfoot and Marty
Documentary about Bigfoot, two-time U.P.
Laureate Marty Achatz and more. Q & A with filmmakers after the screening.

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Other Poetry Month Events

- 4.1 Reading, Negaunee Public Library, 4 pm
- 4.1 Bring Your Own Limerick, Cognition Brewery, 6 pm
- 4.6 Poetry Workshop, Joy Center & Virtual, 7 pm
- 4.7- Electric Words and Music, Superior Culture, 7 pm
- 4.8 GWA Reading, The Crib, 6 pm
- 4.14 Salamander Poetry with Mr. Jim, UP Children's Museum, 2 pm
- 4.14 MFA Reading, Ore Dock, 5 pm
- 4.16 Haiku, Candy Egg Hunt, St. Paul's Church, 1 pm
- 4.21 Speakeasy, Superior Culture, 7 pm
- 4.21 Out Loud, Joy Center & Virtual, 7 pm
- 4.22 MA Reading, The Crib, 5 pm
- 4.27 Reading, Ishpeming Carnegie Public Library, 6 pm
- 4.27 Stump the Poet, Cognition Brewery, 7:30 pm



Virtual Event Info

Zoom Info: Meeting ID: 856 1316 1919 Passcode: 288070

Livestreams will be on PWPL's YouTube Channel

No admission fee for any events. Open to everyone.

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