

NATIONAL POETRY MONTH APRIL 2011

Magic Tree House Tour Event

Friday, April 1, 6:30 pm, Free
Durant Arts Center
1605 Cameron Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Quill Well Festival Event

The Inkwell – a poetry competition for mature adults

Sunday, April 3, 7pm, \$10
The Goodwin House
4800 Fillmore Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22311

Quill Well Festival Event

SPOKEN LESSONS Sponsored by the Northern VA Fine Arts Association

Poetic Teacher Showcase & Community Forum
Hosted by Sonya Renee, Internationally Acclaimed HBO Def Poet,
A poetry reading from Amy Young, Poet Laureate of Alexandria
Tuesday, April 5, 7pm, \$10
The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Quill Well Festival Event

WRITE.SPEAK.LIVE! Sponsored by Medieval Madness

Open Mic & Live Music
Hosted by Shelly Bell and the phenomenal Drew Law
Wednesday, April 6, 7pm, \$7
Renaissance Hall, 1121 King St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Quill Well Festival Event

The ILL QUILL Youth Slam

Sponsored by The Alexandria City Parks, Recreation and Cultural Activities & The Alexandria City Community Theatre, Hosted by Dasan Ahanu

Featuring the award winning Bull City Slam Team; Special guest judge, HBO Def Poet, Sonya Renee participating teams include youth from Baltimore, DC, PG County, and Northern VA
Friday, April 8, 7 pm, \$10
The Kauffman Auditorium, 1108 Jefferson St., Alexandria, VA 22314
For more information, visit www.quillwell.com

Ruthless Grip Poetry Series presents Three North Carolina Poets

3 North Carolina Poets will read from their works, Washington, D.C.'s Ruthless Grip Poetry Series visits Del Ray Artisans for National Poetry Month! Acclaimed North Carolina featured writers Lee Ann Brown, Chris Vitiello and Dianne Timblin
Friday, April 8, 8 pm, Free
Free and open to the public will be held at the Del Ray Artisans gallery at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia
For more information visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org.

As Was Written - Original Poetry, Prose and Song

April 8 – 9, 8:30 pm, \$12 advance, \$15 at door
The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St., Alexandria, VA 22314
For more information, visit www.aswaswritten.com.

“Come Write With Me”

Readings by “Come Write With Me Workshop” participants and open microphone

Del Ray Farmers Market

Saturday April 9th, 9 am-10 am

Poem-in-Your Pocket Day

Put a poem in your pocket to share with others; read poetry in one of Alexandria's neighborhood pocket parks; write poems about nature in anticipation of Earth Day.

Thursday April 14th

- Margaret Wohler, 10 am, Monticello park on Beverly Drive
- Amy Young, Poet Laureate, 4 pm, Charles W. Hill Park
- Helenmarie Corocoran, 4 pm, Lee Street Park
- Mark Schwartz, 4 pm, Ben Brenman Park, 4800 Ben Brenman Park Drive
- Mark Schwartz, 5 pm, Armistead L. Boothe Park, 520 Cameron Station Blvd.

National Poetry Month Reading

Poets young and old are invited to ready poetry, along with featured readers Amy Young, Poet Laureate, City of Alexandria and Mary McElveen, Former Poet Laureate, City of Alexandria; Shelly Bell, Spoken Word Artist; Marquis Mix, Spoken Word Artist.

Friday, April 29:

6:30 pm, The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St.,

For more information, call 703.746.5588.

Earth Day

Write and read poetry about nature with Amy Young, Poet Laureate, City of Alexandria.

Saturday, April 30, 10 am, Free

Ben Brenman Park, 4800 Brenman Park Dr.

For more information, call 703.746.5420.