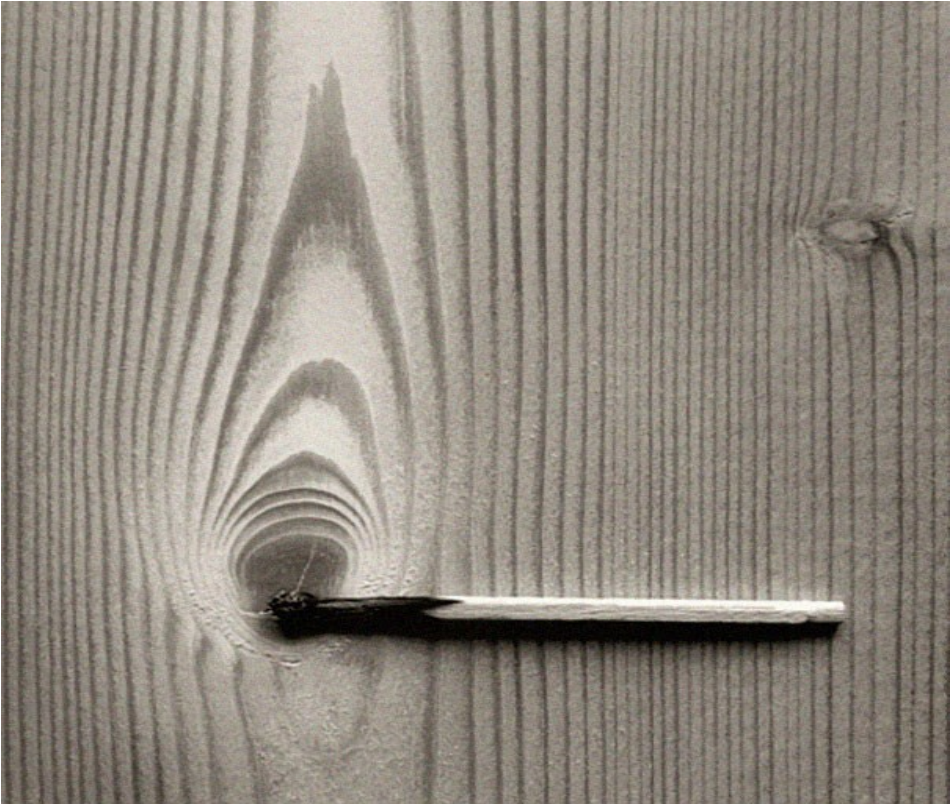


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**February 14, 2015**  
**General Meeting**  
**Choonwha Moon**

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## **Gulf Coast Poets Proudly Presents**

**Choonwha Moon was born in Seoul, South Korea. She earned her MFA at the University of Florida, studying under "the most hated man in American poetry." She is a member of Gulf Coast Poets and resides in Houston, Texas.**

**In 2014 Choonwha Moon was selected as a juried poet for the 2014 Houston Poetry Fest.**

## What She Said

Jasmine stinks thick tonight.  
The thin tongues of deer lap  
through tiny rain-ploughed rivers.

Why does the sparrow sleep  
inside the forest  
and still say nothing?

——Choonwha Moon

## What He Said

I am the last to speak,  
but when I do, I mean

to bury my face in hers,  
to hear her hair waterfall around me,

to gather sad honey around the soft pools at her neck.

——Choonwha Moon

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## **Gulf Coast Poets Meeting – Minutes**

**January 10, 2015**

10:50 – meeting called to order

Introduction of officers

Voted Glynn Monroe Irby as a Lifetime member

Voted Leo Waltz as honorary Lifetime member

51 members of Gulf Coast Poets as of last count

Announcements:

Upcoming Gulf Coast Poets readers for 2015

AIPF deadline is January 31st

Texas Poetry Calendar deadline is February 20<sup>th</sup>

Mutablis Press submissions deadline is March 31<sup>st</sup>

Poetry Works Workshop will be held January 18<sup>th</sup>

Dave Cowen has a new book called “The Madness of Empty Spaces”

11:00 Featured reader is Billie Hill author of two chapbooks

Door prizes:

Ann Fogelman – No Tell Motel anthology

Luis Vasquez – The Madness of Empty Spaces

Laura Peña – Academy of American Poets magazine

11:20 Open Mic

Ann Fogelman

Dave Cowen – A Child's Christmas in Brownsville

Weasel Patterson – Morning, You

Arron Robinson – Everlasting

Laura Peña – Contemno, Sunflower, Convenience Store  
Buddy

Gary Rosin – Fat Shadows, Tundra Time

Jonathan Peckham – Wrecking Ball, I Read the News Today,  
Oh Boy

Lynn Streeeter Fish, Vietnam While We Lay Sleeping Without  
a Bed

Yong Ae Kim – Today After Reading Mythology, Discourse  
for Vincent Paris 1887

Mary Margaret Carlisle – The River Quiet

Eloisa Perez-Losano – A Day at Discovery Green, Home,  
Unwelcome Strand

Carmen Jacobson – Four Elements of Time, Lines Drawn,  
Images of a Lesser God

Closing announcements:

**Mary Margaret Carlisle urges everybody to enter the Poetry  
Prompts found on Facebook**

11:50 Meeting adjourned, lunch afterwards at Hibachi Grill

# **Inprint First Fridays**

**March 6, 2015--Barbara Youngblood Carr (new date)**

**April 13, 2015--Robin Davidson**

**May 1, 2015--Saba Husein**

**Readings begin at 8:30 pm Inprint House  
1520 West Main (two blocks south of The Menil  
Collection, one block east of Mandell). Admis-  
sion is free**

## **Ongoing: OPEN MIC LOCATIONS**

**1st Mondays: NOKtune, 17062 Saturn Ln, Houston, TX 77058,  
8:30 PM free**

**4th Tuesday: Barnes & Noble, 1029 W Bay Area Blvd, Web-  
ster, 7:30, free**

**Wednesdays: Notsuoh, 314 Main St, 77002, 9 PM, free**

**3rd Wednesday, Heights Library, 1302 Heights Blvd. 77008,  
6:00 PM, free**

**4th Wednesdays: Teatro Bilingue Houston, 3333 Jensen Dr,  
7:30-10 PM, Tintero/Inkwell – Bilingual Reading Series**

**Fridays: The House of Tea, 1927 Fairview, 77019, 9 PM, free**

**Saturdays: Secret Word Café, 2061 Dowling, 11 AM Write  
Club, workshop hosted by Marcell Murphy**

**Sundays: Bohemeo, 708 Telephone Rd., Suite E, 77023, 8  
PM, free**

**Sundays: Bambou, 2540 University Blvd (in Rice Village) 7  
PM. Cost: \$10**

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# **Upcoming Poetry Events**

**Feb. 21** – 1-2 p.m. -- The **Words & Art - Writing Workshop II** is for adult writers. We will have writing prompts and group discussion on the new installation at Rice Gallery. The workshop is **FREE** and open to all writing levels. All you need to bring is pen, paper and your imagination. Organized by Mary Wemple

**February 23** -- **Award-winning poet Mary Szybist** will appear twice in Houston. First up, at 1pm, she will at University of Houston in the Graduate Student Library, Roy G. Cullen Building, for a Q&A session

**Feb 28** – **Gulf Coast Poets Honorary Member and 2010 Texas Poet Laureate Karla Morton** will read at the River Oaks Bookstore for the Goodbye, Mexico book launch (edited by Sarah Cortez) (2-4pm)

**March 7 / 2 PM** -- **Public Poetry** reading series at Shepherd-Acres Home Neighborhood Library- - featuring **Jeremy Johnson, Sharon Klander, Chris Wise, DE Zuccone**

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## **Anthologies and Calls for Submission**

**Weasel Press** is currently calling for poetry and artwork submissions for a new- literary journal called **Degenerates: Voices for Peace!** Deadline to submit is March 6, 2015. All submissions must be sent to [hitchingpoets@hotmail.com](mailto:hitchingpoets@hotmail.com)

**Texas Poetry Calendar** — February 20, 2015 Deadline — <http://dogatospress.org/how-to-submit>

**Words and Arts** — February 28, 2015 Deadline — Rules for submission at <http://www.ricegallery.org/words-art/>

**Rio Grande Valley International Poetry Festival** — March 28, 2015 Deadline. Information at <http://www.valleypoetryfest.org/>

## **New Poetry Resource**

**Houston Poetry Summit.** Features upcoming events, calls for submission, and other Houston poetry news. Coordinated by Houston's own Billie Duncan — [www.houstonpoetrysummit.org/](http://www.houstonpoetrysummit.org/)

For ongoing Poetry Slam events see <https://www.eventbrite.com/d/tx--houston/poetry-slam/>



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**Submission Call for “Houston Nature,” Poetry Anthology**

**Submissions deadline: March 31, 2015**

## *Theme*

Mutabilis Press\* is seeking well-crafted and imaginative poems about Houston’s unique nature—both the persistence of the natural world in spite of its growing, urban sprawl and poems about the nature of Houston itself as a bustling modern city of landscapes: its climates, arts, cultures, ethnicities, neighborhoods and challenges, poems that define a complex city.

Poems must touch on some aspect of the theme, which has a broad interpretation. We are open to traditional and experimental forms, as well as diverse cultures and voices. We will only accept submissions through Submittable, our online submissions manager. No submissions by mail or email, please. See [www.mutabilispress.org](http://www.mutabilispress.org) for details.

Note: Edited by GCP Member Sandi Stromberg

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## **UPCOMING GP FEATURED READERS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
<b>February 14, 2015</b>	<b>Choonwha Moon</b>
<b>March 14, 2015</b>	<b>Peter Hyland</b>
<b>April 11, 2015</b>	<b>Sybil and Ted Estess</b>
<b>May 9, 2015</b>	<b>Robin Davidson</b>
<b>June 13, 2015</b>	<b>Larry “Weasel” Patter- son</b>
<b>July 11, 2015</b>	<b>Chuck Wemple and Mary Wemple</b>
<b>August 2015</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>
<b>September 12, 2015</b>	<b>Cindy Huyser</b>
<b>October 3, 2015</b>	<b>Poetry Out of Bounds</b>
<b>November 14, 2015</b>	<b>Eloisa Perez-Lozano</b>
<b>December 12, 2015</b>	<b>TBD</b>

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Treasurer Report for Feb 14, 2015 General Meeting  
 Report Period: Jan. 1 – Jan 31, 2015 -- with 2015 totals  
 This report covers the one month period since last report

Cash Flow: Jan. 1 – Jan. 31, 2015		2015 Totals.
Contests.....	.00	-0.00
Dues.....	105.00	105.00
Speaker Expense.....	-16.32	-16.32
Honorarium	-0.00	
Speaker Lunch/Dinners	-16.32	
Lodging	-.00	
Donations.....	.00	.00
Interest/Dividend.....	.09	.09
Officer Travel.....	-0.00	-0.00
Anthology.....	-0.00	-0.00
Other .....	.00	.00
<b>Net Cash flow, Jan. 1 – Jan. 31</b>	<b>88.77</b>	<b>88.77</b>

Account Balances: Jan. 1 – Jan. 31, 2015 –		2015 YTD
Checking Ledger		
<i>Beginning</i>	2056.27	2056.27
Checks written (0)	-0.00	(1/1/2015)
Debit Card	-16.32	
Deposits	75.00	
Dividend	.09	
Ending	2115.04	2115.04
Outstanding checks (3)	70.00	Bank chk bal=2185.04
Cash (undeposited checks, cash)		
<i>Beginning</i>	40.00	40.00
Inflow	105.00	
Outflow	-75.00	
Ending	70.00	70.00
Savings (seldom changes)		
<i>Beginning</i>	10.33	10.33
Ending	10.33	10.33
<b>All accounts</b>		Jan1/Jan 31
<i>Beginning</i>	1/1/2015	2106.60
Ending	1/31/2015	2195.37

NOTES:

- Treasurer Reports will normally end on the last day of the month preceding the meeting and cover the month(s) since the previous report.
- The right column is the year to date, but since this is the first month, all figures are the same as for the report period.

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## **2015 Gulf Coast Poets Chapter Membership**

### ***Honorary lifetime members***

Ted O. Badger  
Alan Lee Birkelbach  
Robert Clark  
John Gorman  
Erica Lehrer  
Karla Morton  
Dave Parsons  
Larry D. Thomas

### ***Lifetime members***

Nancy Bertoneclj  
Diana Dettling Buckley  
Mary Margaret Carlisle –  
Member Chair  
Daniel Carrington --  
Correspondence Secretary  
Jane Chance  
David Cowen -- President  
Winston Derden  
Susan Ellis  
Ann Fogelman -- Greeter  
Fulton Fry  
Mary Ann Goodwin  
Susan Musch -- Vice President  
Bernard Patten  
Richard Peake  
Oscar Peña  
Laura Peña -- Recording  
Secretary  
Lynne Streeter  
Martha M Tamez  
Glynn Monroe Irby  
Leo Waltz – Treasurer

### ***2015 Chapter Members***

Penny Clark  
Sybil Pittman Estess  
Dede Fox  
Carmen Erna Jacobsen  
C. Lynn (“Happy Daze”) Carden  
Yong-Ae Kim  
Jean Mahavier  
John Milkereit  
Deandra Newcomb  
Jonathan Peckham  
Eloisa Perez-Lozano  
Sandi Stromberg  
William Turner  
Vanessa Zimmer-Powell  
Weasel (Larry Patterson)"  
Kay L. Cox  
Amy L. Sasser  
Jane Wenninger  
Dory Williams  
Charles Williams  
Billie Hill  
Terry Jude Miller  
Lauren English  
Adriana Vazquez  
Luis Vazquez

### ***2015 Student Chapter Member***

Katherine Sanger