



**GULF COAST POETS CHAPTER OF THE
POETRY SOCIETY OF TEXAS
PRESENTS**

**Jeremy Eugene
April 14, 2018**

Jeremy Eugene is a poet, educator, and candidate for an M.A. in English degree at Texas Southern University. He is of Trinidadian heritage, grew up in East Brunswick, New Jersey and is currently residing in Houston, Texas. As a youth poet, he was a member of the 2012 Meta-4 Houston slam team, which competed at the international competition, Brave New Voices. He is also a two time member of the Houston VIP Poetry team, currently ranked 5th in the nation, and his work has appeared in The Griot Journal of African American Studies. He hopes to inspire and motivate social change with all of his work.

Ode to Car Keys

Jingle fillers
Ode to radio songs
Ode to the aux cord argument starter

Ode to locket keeper
The treasure map holder
And the atlas
Ode to the compass's compass
Ode to the casual slip
The crevice finder, like a glimmering silver mouse
The perpetually lost
The wanderer
The wanderer which stops another's wandering
The accidental bad Samaritan
Or one who loses itself to prevent you from losing yourself

Ode to poor timing
The world's best worst hide-and-seek player
to the latemaker
The weekday morning killer
The maker of lockdowns
The unlocker

Ode to the distraction
The maintainer of hands

Ode to pockets and pocket filling
The finger fiddle
The scare of loss the security of kept
Ode to the reminder that there is always something to remember
before you leave
Ode to forgetting anyway and having a reason to come back
Ode to the tumble maker
Into ignition into engine kick into acceleration into oil change and
tuneup and tire rotation and ode to knowing you are always leaving
at least one thing undone, but starting again anyway
Ode to holding the beginning of the end
Ode to the auto-needle,
To something sacred as you slowly die away
The automobile's last injection

*add something about being drunk

Upcoming Events

Inprint First Fridays — Readings begin at 8:30 pm, Inprint House, 1520 West Main (two blocks south of The Menil Collection, one block east of Mandell):

May 4, 2018—Marie Brown

June 1, 2018—Saba Husain

July 6, 2018—43rd Anniversary of First Friday – Deborah DEEP Mouton, Houston Poet Laureate

August 3, 2018—John Gorman

Write About Now - Every Wednesday at 7:30pm

Avante Garden

411 Westheimer Rd, Houston, TX 77006

NOKturne Poetry Reading Series - Every 1st Monday of the month at 7:30pm, Hosted by Z.M. Wise

NOKturne

17062 Saturn Ln, Houston, TX 77058

Coast2Soul Open Mic

April 17, 2018, The Proletariat at 8:30pm - 11:00pm

2221 Market St. Galveston, TX 77550

<https://www.facebook.com/events/336540376851714/>

Poetry Ride to Round Top feat. Houston Poet Laureate, Deborah Deep Mouton

April 21, 2018

Registration for Saturday only is \$75

Bus will leave Houston from the Walmart Superstore parking lot at I-10 and Silber at 9:00 and will return at around 10:45pm

<http://www.publicpoetry.net/poetry-ride/>

Rio Grande Valley International Poetry Festival

April 26-April 29, 2018

McAlley, TX

<http://www.valleypoetryfest.org/>

Colliding with Orion Party at Brazos Bookstore w/ Chris Wise

June 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm

2421 Bissonnet Street

Houston, TX 77005

<http://www.brazosbookstore.com/event/chris-wise-colliding-orion>

Barnes & Noble Poetry Reading Series - Every 4th Tuesday of

the month at 7:30pm, Hosted by Z.M. Wise

Barnes & Noble

1029 Bay Area Blvd, Webster, TX 77598

Slam Events —

<https://www.eventbrite.com/d/tx--houston/poetry-slam/>

Texas Poetry Events —

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/531569780249952/>

Readings and Poetry Nights —

<https://www.eventbrite.com/d/tx--houston/poetry/>

Call for Poetry Submissions

Weasel Press — Degenerates: Voices for Peace

-No minimum, poems cannot be longer than 3 pages
-All styles and forms accepted
-Degenerates: Voices for Peace is a Progressive journal.
Theme: Gun Violence, Mass Shootings, School Shootings, Gun Control
<https://www.weaselpress.com/degeneratesubmissions>

Speculative Poetry (Paying) Market List:

<http://fiendlover.blogspot.com/p/pro-paying-speculative-fiction-poetry.html>

More Calls for Submission Daily at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/156020074604805/>

Madness Muse Press

Seeking poems on Addition/Recovery
send poems as an attachment in the form of a Word Document.
Send submissions to: MadnessMusePress@gmail.com
No previously published material (Blogs and social media is okay)
Publisher will stop accepting poems around June 12.
<https://madnessmusepress.com/submissions/>

Inflectionism

Inflectionist Review has a strong preference for non-linear work that carefully constructs ambiguity so that the reader can play an active role in the poem. In general, we commend the experimental, the worldly and universal, and eschew the inane, trendy, and overly personal. This journal reads year round. 3-7 poems at a time, in a single document.
<https://theinflectionistreview.submittable.com/submit>

Philosophical Idiot

Likes to publish writing that's easy on the eyes but hard on the emotions. Weird stuff is good. Angry stuff is good. No specific guidelines. Email: aksdgjsgghskgjddfvd@gmail.com

Helpful Resources

<http://www.duotrope.com>

<http://www.newpages.com>

<https://www.pw.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/35517751475/>

Gulf Coast Poets

Treasurer Report for Apr 14, 2018 General Meeting

Report Period: Mar 1 – Mar 31, 2018 -- with 2018 YTD totals

This report covers the one month period since last report plus the 2018 summary

| Cash Flow: Mar 1 – Mar 31, 2018 | 2018 YTD | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Contests..... | .00 | -0.00 |
| Dues (all types) | .00 | 50.00 |
| Speaker Expense..... | -30.00 | -74.22 |
| Honorarium | -30.00 | |
| Speaker Lunch/Dinners | -.00 | |
| Donations | .00 | 0.00 |
| Interest/Dividend..... | .08 | .27 |
| Officer Travel..... | -25.00 | -50.00 |
| Net Cash flow, Mar 1 – Mar 31 | -54.92 | -73.95 |
| | | <i>Jan 1-Mar 31</i> |

| Account Activity: Mar 1 – Mar 31, 2018 – | 2018 YTD | |
|--|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Checking Ledger | | <i>Jan 1, 2018</i> |
| <i>Beginning</i> | 2004.66 | 2018.69 |
| Checks written (1) | -30.00 | |
| Debit Card | -.00 | |
| Deposits | .00 | |
| Dividend | .08 | |
| Ending | 1974.74 | 1974.74 |
| <i>Outstanding checks (6)</i> | 150.00 | <i>Bank chk bal=2124.74</i> |
| Cash (undeposited checks, cash) | | |
| <i>Beginning</i> | 35.00 | 40.00 |
| Inflow | .00 | |
| Outflow | -25.00 | |
| Ending | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| Savings (seldom changes) | | |
| <i>Beginning</i> | 10.33 | 10.33 |
| Ending | 10.33 | 10.33 |
| All accounts | | <i>Jan 1/Mar 31</i> |
| <i>Beginning</i> | <i>3/1/2018</i> | 2049.99 |
| <i>Ending</i> | <i>3/31/2018</i> | 1995.07 |

Treasurer Reports will normally end on the last day of the month preceding the meeting and cover the month(s) since the previous report.

Upcoming GCP Featured Readers

| Date | Reader |
|---------------|---------------------|
| May 12, 2018 | Sarah Frances Moran |
| June 9, 2018 | Xach Blunt |
| July 14, 2018 | Sharon O |
| August 2018 | NO MEETING |
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GCP Meeting Minutes 03/10/218

10:47am Meeting called to order

Weasel is the MC

April is National Poetry Month

Austin International Poetry Festival will be April 5-8th

Valley International Festival will be April 26-29th;
Boundless is still open for submissions until March 23rd.

Houston Poetry Fest is now open for submissions.
Write About Now meets every Wednesday at Avante Garden. All are welcome to come and read at their open mic. \$5 donation at the door.

Coast 2 Soul will be performing at the Proletariat in Galveston on March 20th.

Chris Wise's Colliding with Orion will have its book release party at Brazos Bookstore on June 10th at 7pm.

ZM Wise hosts an open mic the 4th Tuesday of the month at Barnes and Noble and the 1st Monday of the month at Nokturne.

Upcoming readers:

April: Jeremy Eugene

May: Sarah Frances Moran

10:56am – Featured reader this month is Billie Hill

11:16am –Open Mic

12:00pm Meeting adjourned

Lunch afterwards at King Food

Honorary lifetime members

2007 John Gorman
2008 Larry D. Thomas
2009 Robert Clark
2010 Alan Lee Birkelbach
2011 Ted O. Badger
2012 Erica Lehrer
2013 Dave Parsons
2014 Glynn Monroe Irby
2015 Leo Waltz
2015 Karla Morton
2016 Jan Seale
2017 Gwendolyn Zepeda
2018 Robin Davidson

Lifetime members

Nancy Bertoncelli
Gary Borkowski
Stella Brice
Diana Dettling
Mary M. Carlisle
Daniel Carrington
Jane Chance
David Cowen
Kay Cox
Jane Creighton
Winston Derden
Susan Ellis
Lauran P. English
Pat Dixon
Ann Fogelman
Jerry D. Frick
Fulton Fry
Mary Ann Goodwin
Carmen Jacobsen
Susan Musch
Bernard Patten
Richard Peake
Laura Pena
Oscan Pena
Gary Rosin
Sharman Speed
Lynne Streeter
Sandi Stromberg
Martha M. Tomez
Adriana Babiack Vazquez
Luis Vazquez
Leo Waltz
Weasel
Joyce Zongrone

Chapter Members

Kelly Ellis
Mean Mahavier
Leila Merrill
John Milkereit
Choonwha Moon
Johathan Peckham
Matthew Riley
Emily Seay
June Zaner
Richard Zaner
Vanessa Zimmer-Powell

PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!!!

In Memoriam

2006 Peggy Z. Lynch - 1st Member - Honorary Lifetime Member
David Hicks - 2nd Member - Lifetime Member