



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

**LuLynne Streeter
January 13, 2018**

LuLynne Streeter is a published poet and writer. She is the 2015 Christina Sergeyevna Prize winner at the International Austin Poetry Fest. Her poems have appeared in San Pedro River Review, Boundless, di-verse-city, Thirteen Poets, Houston Poetry Fest, and Vagabonds:Anthology of the Mad Ones and others.

Desert Lament

Does the water still flow in the acequia,
Rising from burbling springs at the base of the mountain,
Thrumming its way past broken down apple trees,
Wild plums and sweet pears?

Down

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Past the tall spiked tules,
Into the fields of hay and alfafa,
Seeping into the roots of ancient cottonwoods,
Delivering cold, wetness to the roses by the mission.
Does the water still flow in the acequia?
Does God still dwell in the valley?
Tell Me.

Belly of the Whale

Just before sleep,
I remember my life in Kino.
Blue and green pongas turtled
Upside down on the beach,
Wait for fishermen to return.
Children scream at gulls, dance
In colorless surf, fly above
Waves on a whalebone swing.

Up the beach, people shout.
A woman is dead, slit her wrists,
Blood strings across the sand.
Women cross themselves.
An American, they whisper.
An unhappy woman.
Her lover was killed last night.
A shoot-out in Hermosillo.

At dark, they light
Bonfires on the beach,
Waiting for the federales
To come and take her away.
Mothers call their children in,
Men launch their boats,
You and I dance in the shadows.
Stars explode over Tiburon.

Upcoming Events

January 18, 2018 — Book Launch for Houston's Favorite Poems
6:00pm - 9:00pm
Julia Ideson Building
500 McKinney st. Houston, TX 77002

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):

February 2, 2018—Tony Diaz

March 2, 2018—John Pluecker

April 6, 2018—Adrienne Perry

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

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 — Vagabonds: Anthology of the Mad Ones

-No poems longer than 2 pages

-All styles and forms accepted

-Beat themed project

<http://www.vagabondsink.com>

<http://www.facebook.com/vagabondwriters>

Deadline: February 13, 2018

Weasel Press — Degenerates: Voices for Peace

-No minimum, poems cannot be longer than 3 pages

-All styles and forms accepted

Theme: Mental Illness

<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/>

Orange and White and Tweets All Over: A Collection of Anti-Trump Poems (Thurston Howl Publications)

-up to 4 poems

-Simultaneous and Reprints are fine

-No longer than 4 pages, no minimum

-General audience language

-Send a DOC or DOCX

Email: starshield.thurstonhowlpub@gmail.com

Di-Verse-City (Austin International Poetry Fest)

Deadline: January 15, 2018

up to 3 Poems

Any style and theme

The editor has the right to judge content or language as obscene

No simultaneous submissions or previously published poems

Fee: \$30

<https://aipf.submittable.com/submit>

Boundless 2018 (Rio Grande Valley International Poetry Fest)

Deadline: March 23, 2018

Email: rgvipf@gmail.com

No theme

35-Line Limit

No identifying information on your poems

No Previously published poems

Fee: \$8 Make checks payable to "Art that Heals, Inc."

<http://www.valleypoetryfest.org/boundless-anthology/>

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: aksdgjsghskgjdffv@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 Jan 13, 2018 General Meeting

Report Period: Nov 1 – Dec 31, 2017 -- with 2017 totals

This report covers the two month period since last report plus the 2017 summary

	Cash Flow: Nov 1 – Dec 31, 2017	All of 2017
Contests.....	.00	-.00
Dues (all types)	120.00	300.00
Speaker Expense.....	-92.55	-227.55
Honorarium	-75.00	
Speaker Lunch/Dinners	-17.55	
Donations *Note 100	30.00
Interest/Dividend.....	.22	1.28
Officer Travel.....	-20.00	-100.00
Web Expense (domain)	-0.00	-20.00
Annual Luncheon *Note 2	-329.18	-308.18
Net Cash flow, Nov 1 – Dec 31	-321.51	-324.45

	Account Activity: Nov 1 – Dec 31, 2017 –	All of 2017
Checking Ledger		<i>Jan 1, 2017</i>
<i>Beginning</i>	2300.20	2298.14
Checks written (3)	-125.00	
Debit Card	-1084.73	
Deposits *note 3	928.00	
Dividend	.22	
Ending	2018.69	2018.69
<i>Outstanding checks (6)</i>	170.00 <i>Bank chk bal=2188.69</i>	
Cash (undeposited checks, cash)		
<i>Beginning</i>	80.00	85.00
Inflow	1141.00	
Outflow	-1181.00	
Ending	40.00	40.00
Savings (seldom changes)		
<i>Beginning</i>	10.33	10.33
Ending	10.33	10.33
All accounts		<i>Jan 1/Dec 31</i>
Beginning	11/1/2017	2390.53
Ending	12/31/2017	2069.02

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

*Notes:

1. Donations made towards the Luncheon will appear under the detailed Luncheon report.
2. Luncheon has numerous sub-categories including Restaurant Deposit, Member reservation payments, tax, gratuity, and donations. This summary figure is a roll-up of all those sub-categories for this report period; does not include items from previous report.
3. Net deposit total after deduction of bounced check.

Upcoming GCP Featured Readers

Date	Reader
February 10, 2018	Amir Safi
March 10, 2018	Savannah Blue
April 14, 2018	Jeremy Eugene
May 12, 2018	TBA
June 9, 2018	TBA
July 14, 2018	TBA
August 2018	NO MEETING

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. Frtck
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 Zongrone2017

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