

Poetry Month Events

This year the Cooked and Eaten is presenting a three day series of events and workshops in celebration of Poetry Month.

April 17 - 19, 2008 - Visiting Poets

Apr 17 - 19, 2 - 6 pm, Market Hall in the Gallery – Public Office Hours for bill bissett

April 17, 7 pm, at the Holiday Inn – Get to Know bill bissett

April 18, 2008 - Poetry of Everyday Life Marathon, featuring bill bissett

April 19, 2008 - Workshops for poets and writers

Visiting Poets

- **bill bissett**, named by Jack Kerouac as the "greatest living poet today," has remained at the cutting edge of poetics and performance works for forty years and is one of Canada's most original and widely appreciated poets.
- Victoria poet, **Elizabeth Rhett Woods** has published five books of poetry and three novels, including *Beyond the Pale* (Ekstasis Editions, 2006) and the underground classic *The Yellow Volkswagen* (PaperJacks, 1971). Her poetry and plays, including the 90-minute verse play *Maya* (Tuesday Night, 1974) have been broadcast on CBC Radio.

Cooked and Eaten Poetry of Everyday Life Twelve Hour Poetry Marathon.

The Poetry of Everyday Life Twelve Hour Marathon takes poetry out of the salon and takes it out into the world in unique venues including bus stops, ferries, sculpture gardens, gas stations and more.

Any reader who volunteers 15 minutes of poetry receives a printable .pdf of a Cooked and Eaten poster and hand out to put up and distribute at his or her chosen location explaining the event to passers by. Poets are encouraged to read in public spaces, and to record their reading in video, audio, still photography or a combination of the above for the Poetry of Everyday Life archives posted online.

The "program" of all the marathon poets is posted on the web page and sent across Canada to the popular Cooked and Eaten e-mail list and is added to several other poetry lists and newsletters.

Readings will be consecutive over a twelve-hour period, on Friday April 18th from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm. This year Poetry & Company in Kingston and Spark of Brilliance in Guelph will be holding their own poetry marathon under the Cooked and Eaten name.

We expect poets in Calgary, Victoria, Edmonton, Vancouver, Toronto and Winnipdg and many other locations. This year we need more poets from the east. More poets, more poets, more poets!

If you would like to participate, ask for our call for poets or go to www.cookedandeaten.com.

Join in and feel the love of poets across the country around the clock.

bill bissett Office Hours

bill will be holding public office hours at the Market Hall Apr 17 - 19, 2 - 6 pm. During this time anyone who is interested is welcome to drop by to meet bill and talk about poetry, painting, life and anything else that fits the moment. Take advantage of this inspiring artist.

Get to Know bill bissett

At this informal evening at the Holiday Inn Lounge bill bissett will give a short reading and be available for conversation, signings and questions in a relaxed atmosphere. Refreshments will be provided.

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- The Market Hall
- Black Honey
- The City of Peterborough
- The Holiday Inn

Workshops:

All workshops are **\$10 or pay what you can.**

- **Sat, April 19, noon, at the PAU**
- **work n play with 7 approaches 2 poetree with bill bissett**
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- **Sat, April 19, 2 pm, at the PAU**
- **Make a Poetry Chap Book with Jessica Rowland**
Multi-media artist Jess Rowland leads an energetic workshop in the creation of poetry Chap Books
using techniques in computer and hand layout, printing and copying, binding and trimming. Participants
will walk away with at least one hand made book of their own poems.

- **Sat, April 19, 4pm, at Black Honey**
- **How to Get Published with Ursula Pflug**
Ursula Pflug's workshop will discuss market research, manuscript preparation, cover letters, and
working with editors. Ursula Pflug has had over fifty published short stories in professional venues in
Canada, the US and the UK.

- **Sat, April 19, 4 pm, at the PAU**
- **Word Lottery with Elizabeth Rhett Woods**
Word Lottery, in which participants contribute to a list of favourite words and draw five of the listed
words to write a poem using as many of the five words as they can.

- **Sat, April 19, 2 pm, at the Market Hall**
- **Don't be a Fridge with Esther Vincent and Emily Glasspool**
In the first year of recording Cooked and Eaten events, upon listening to the recordings, it was
discovered that a number of readers' voices could scarcely be heard above the hum of the fridge and
other ambient sounds. This workshop is designed to bring out the best in shy and inexperienced readers.
Esther Vincent will cover basic posture, breath work and vocal control, timing, pace, and using
visualization to engage the audience. Emily Glasspool will cover vocal expression, creating characters,
getting the idea across and developing confidence in presentation.

**To sign up for these workshops, or to get involved in any other events, contact us at:
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