

Registration Form

Name _____

Address, including City ST Zip

Email _____

Phone _____

Registration:

- \$50 Early Bird registration postmarked on or before April 14. Early Bird registration includes lunch.
- \$55 registration on or after April 15 or at the door. Lunch not guaranteed if registering after April 14.

Renew your membership?

2018-19 membership year begins July 1.
To renew, include \$20 for dues.

Student discount

Wyoming K-12, community college and university students receive 50% discount on workshop and dues with proof of student status.

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable to WyoPoets.

Send this registration form to:
Susan Mark, WyoPoets President
3822 Dey Ave, Cheyenne WY 82001

Chapbook Launch

Friday, April 27, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

WyoPoets welcomes the public to the launch of our 2018 chapbook, *This Box for Dreams*. The book launch and reading by chapbook poets will be held at the Fairfield Inn and Suites at 1820 W. Lincolnway, Cheyenne., in the Legend/Frontier Room.



Our Sponsors

WyoPoets gratefully thanks our sponsors for their generous support of our workshop.



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Questions?

Contact Chere Hagopian at 307-287-6413
or chere@batteryship.com with any questions about the workshop and reading.

WyoPoets 2018 Spring Workshop



Presenter:

Art Elser

Art Elser is a poet, writer, and teacher whose work has appeared in many journals and anthologies. He has four published books of poetry.

April 27-28, 2018
Cheyenne, Wyoming
www.wyopoets.org

Workshop Schedule

Saturday, April 28

Kiwanis Community House
4603 Lions Park Dr., Cheyenne

8-10 a.m.
Registration

8:30-9:30 a.m.
WyoPoets' business meeting

10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Craft: Line and Stanza Breaks

12-1:30 p.m.
Lunch included with advance registration,
not guaranteed after Early Bird Deadline.

1:30-3 p.m.
Art: Inspiration in Ekphrasis

3-3:45 p.m.
Book sales and signing

3:45-4:15 p.m.
Self-Publishing Your Book

Accommodations

The WyoPoets 2018 Spring Workshop hotel is the Fairfield Inn and Suites, 1820 West Lincolnway. Call 307-634-0401 to make your reservation and request the WyoPoets room block rate of \$109 + tax. Block rate not guaranteed after March 27.

Art's Bio

Art Elser is a poet and writer who has been published in many journals and anthologies. His latest book, *As The Crow Flies*, is a collection of 120 haiku selected from over 2,000 he has written. His other books include a memoir, *What's It All About, Alfie?*, and two books of poetry, *We Leave the Safety of the Sea* and *A Death at Tollgate Creek*. Art lives in Denver with his wife, Kathy, and their pup, Walker.

Poetry Critiques

Workshop participants may have one poem of no more than 40 lines critiqued by Art. Email the poem as a Word, RTF, or PDF file to artelser@me.com by April 20.

Book Tables

Donation table: Bring your gently used books for the donation exchange table to raise funds in support of WyoPoets.

Buy Art's books: One table will feature Art Elser's books for purchase.

Sell your books: Workshop participants may display one copy of each title. Sell your books directly (no central cashier) during breaks and the book sale/signing time.

Workshop Descriptions

Craft: Line & Stanza Breaks

We'll read and discuss poems by Pulitzer Prize winning poets, poets laureate, and others and examine how differing line lengths and stanza breaks make us feel. We'll then work on several exercises in groups and finish with a quick look at one poem to discuss how to end a poem.

Art: Inspiration in Ekphrasis

From the Poetry Foundation: An *ekphrastic* poem is a vivid description of a scene or, more commonly, a work of art. We'll look at four paintings and a sculpture and discuss poems written about each piece of art. You will then use a painting as inspiration to create a draft poem, and we'll discuss your efforts. We'll hark back to the morning's exercises to see how you used line breaks and stanzas.

Self-Publishing Your Book

Given the difficulties in getting poetry traditionally published, Art decided to self-publish his last three books. Gather after the formal workshop for this bonus discussion on getting your book on Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and on to eBook readers. Art will provide a helpful bibliography and discuss the pros and cons of different publishing options.