

POETRY IN MCGREGOR FESTIVAL PROGRAMME 2021



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FRIDAY 19th NOVEMBER					
#01: 17.00 – 18.30 FESTIVAL OPENING EVENT - Anthology 2020 launch - Competition Prizes - Celebration of poets who left us in 2020 FREE EVENT BOOKING ESSENTIAL at info@poetryinmcgregor.co.za					
SATURDAY 20th NOVEMBER					
#02: 09.00 – 10.30 POEMS ON THE THEME - Nondwe Mpuma (E) - Malika Ndlovu (E) - Lara Kirsten (E&A) MC: Ashley Dowds R50	#03: 09.00 – 10.30 DRYAD POETS Listen to poets from the Dryad Press Living Poets Series in conversation with Michèle Betty read from their work. - Michèle Betty (E) - Brian Walter (E) - Kobus Moolman (E) - Simon van Schalkwyk (E) MC: Michèle Betty R50	#05: 09.30 – 10.30 VIER SESOENE IN DIE TUIN VAN DIE BEMINDE MET MARY OLIVER Mary Oliver was first and foremost considered a nature poet. Yet she always brought to her poetry about the natural world intimacy, awe, devotion, kinship, and ‘instructions for living a life’. Ilze offers her Afrikaans translations bringing Mary’s Garden home to McGregor. <i>Bring your favourite Mary Oliver poem to share.</i> - Ilze Olckers - Sandra Hill R50	#04: 09.00 – 12.00 TAKE ROOT, AND WAIT THE POET AS GARDENER <i>Entering the garden the garden enters us.</i> This poetry writing course supports us to connect with and inhabit our animal bodies in the natural setting of Temenos. Through deep attention, we will cultivate an appreciation of the small and undervalued aspects on which all life rests. Dawn Garisch Writing workshop R100		

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				#06: 10.30 – 11.15 BOOK LAUNCH - Archie Swanson <i>beyond a distant edge</i> - Sue Woodward <i>between the apple and the bite</i> FREE EVENT	#07: 10.30 – 11.15 BOOK LAUNCH Jim Phelps and John van Wyngaard of Echoing Green Press <i>GRIPSCAPES: Newly Selected Poems of Norman Morrissey</i> FREE EVENT
#08: 11.00 – 12.30 ONS KLYNTJI UNITE! Ons Klyntji is a multilingual zine celebrating poetry from all over Africa. This show features dynamic readings by award-winning authors. - Danie Marais (A) - Sindi Busuku (E) - Tom Dreyer (A) - Churchil Naudé (A) - Jennifer Pape (A) - Curtley Jones (A) MC: Danie Marais R50	#09: 11.00 – 12.30 POEMS ON THE THEME INDIVIDUAL POETS: - Harry Owen (E) - Christine Coats (E) GROUP OF POETS (E): <i>A Garden of Earthly Delights.... And Verse.</i> For the last year or so we've been under threat of Covid-19 and its attendant lockdown. Unable to move far afield, we have taken refuge in our own spaces, especially our gardens. We will present a selection of poems culled from our respective "gardens of verse". The poems reflect a spectrum of emotions ranging from joy and consolation inspired by the beauty of the natural world to more problematic – and sometimes amusing - encounters with some of the residents of this world. ▪ Adré Marshall ▪ Geoff Haresnape ▪ Stephanie Saunders ▪ Margaret Clough MC: Liz Trew R50	#10: 11.00 – 12.30 NEW BODY OF WORK INDIVIDUAL POETS: - Mike Alfred (E) - Robin Winkel-Mellish (E) - Dorain Haarhof (E) - Fanie Olivier (A) GROUP OF POETS: <i>The Poetry of Nature</i> ▪ Carri Kuhn ▪ Clare Manicom MC: Patricia Schonstein R50			

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					#11: 12.30 – 13.15 BOOK LAUNCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lois Henderson <i>Poems of a West Coast Pariah: Modern Haiku 1</i> - Keith Gottschalk <i>Cosmonauts do it in Heaven\</i> FREE EVENT
#13: 14.00 – 15.00 MYSTICAL POEMS FROM THE GARDEN OF THE BELOVED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dimakatso Sedite (E) - Lynthia Julius (A) MC: Ashley Dowds R50	#14: 14.00 – 15.30 NEW BODY OF WORK <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Melissa Sussens (E) - Chris Ahrends (E) - Zama Madinana (E) - Raphael d'Abdon (E) - Benjamin Mmari (E) - Jana van Niekerk (E) MC: Lara Kirsten R50	#15: 14.00 – 15.30 MYSTICAL POEMS FROM THE GARDEN OF THE BELOVED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jane De Sousa (E) - Andrew Renard (E) - Laverne Schwimmbacher (E) - Julia Casciola (E) - Kath Higgins (E) - Patricia Schonstein (E) MC: Dorian Haarhof R50	#12: 14.00 – 14.45 GROUP EXPERIMENTAL POEM – LIVE Experience creating group poems using an experimental method. Learn how to use this method to stimulate creativity. Juli Jana Writing workshop R50		
#16: 15.15 – 15.45 BOOK LAUNCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dimakatso Sedite FREE EVENT BOOKING REQUIRED www.poetryinmcgregor.co.za					

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<p>#20: 16.00 – 17.30 POEMS ON THE THEME</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MCM Art & Culture School (A) Gaireyah Fredericks Rachel Davids Duane Miller Laverne Davey - Die Mengelmoes Digtters (A) <i>Soos bloeisels.... Like blossoms</i> Merle Danhouse Theresa Carstens Diana Ferrus Naidene Lottering Jadrick Pedro-Koopman <p>MC: Willem Fransman Jr R50</p>	<p>#21: 16.00 – 17.30 POEMS ON THE THEME</p> <p>INDIVIDUAL POETS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thandi Sliepen (E) - Lana Hunneyball (E) - Lois Henderson (E) - Yvonne Sliep (E) <p>GROUP OF POETS (E): <i>Love Is A Garden Worth Tending</i></p> <p>This performance through an analysis of shared poems explores how the poets navigate endings and beginnings, loss and grief, COVID, a reawakening of self and other, a tending of relationship.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Heidi van Rooyen ▪ Angela Hough <p>MC: Christine Coats R50</p>	<p>#22: 16.00 – 17.30 MYSTICAL POEMS FROM THE GARDEN OF THE BELOVED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kris Marais (E) - Dorian Haarhof (E) - Galeo Saintz (E) <p>MC: Jane De Sousa R50</p>	<p>#18: 16.00 – 17.00 RED WHEELBARROW OPEN MIC</p> <p>MC: RED WHEELBARROW Headliner Poet: Alison Westwood FREE EVENT</p>	<p>#19: 16.00 – 17.00 BOOK LAUNCH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Zama Madinana <i>Water and Lights</i> - Athol Williams <i>Fragile</i> <i>Whistleblowing</i> <i>Listening</i> <p>FREE EVENT</p>	<p>#17: 15.30 – 16.15 BOOK LAUNCH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jacques Coetzee <i>An Illuminated Darkness</i> - Ecce Poets Anthology <i>Alles Is Anders</i> <p>FREE EVENT</p>
	<p>#23: 18.00 – 19.00 ICE CREAM, THANK YOU – A POETRY READING WITH JOHN MAYTHAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - John Maytham <p>R100</p>			<p>#24: 20.30 – 21.30 TEBALDI'S OPEN MIC Tebaldi's Bar</p> <p>MC: Harry Owen FREE EVENT</p>	

SUNDAY 21st NOVEMBER

#26: 09.00 – 10.30
KARAVAN POETS
 - Dawn Garisch (E)
 - Stephen Symons (E)
 - Justin Fox (E)
 MC: Karina Magdelina
 (Karavan Press)
 R50

#27: 09.00 – 10.30
NEW BODY OF WORK
 - Elisa Galgut (E)
 - Jacques Coetzee (E)
 - Sue Woodward (E)
 - Eduard Burle (E)
 - Quinne Brown Huffman
 (E)
 - Archie Swanson (E)
 MC: Kris Marais
 R50

#25: 09.00 – 10.00
**REMEMBERING CANDY
 ROHDE IN THE GARDEN OF
 THE BELOVED**
 Readings of Candy Rohde’s
 poetry in memory of a life
 well lived.
 Candy Rohde left the US in
 1968 to live and worked for
 fifty years in Bangladesh,
 Indonesia, Haiti, India, and
 South Africa. Her poems
 appear in South African
 journals and anthologies. Her
 two poetry collections are
Torches in Shadows and
Beyond the Devil's Backbone.
 - Sally Argent
 - Liz Trew
 - Sarah Rohde
 FREE EVENT
 BOOKING REQUIRED
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#28: 10.30 – 11.15
BOOK LAUNCH
 - Dawn Garisch
Difficult Gifts
 - Harry Owen
*Coming Home:
 poems of the
 Grahamstown
 diaspora*
 FREE EVENT

#29: 10.30 – 11.30
BOOK LAUNCH
 DRYAD POETS
 Chris Mann
Palimpsests
 FREE EVENT

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<p>#33: 11.00 – 12.30 POEMS ON THE THEME</p> <p>INDIVIDUAL POETS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Willem Fransman Jr (A) - Lesley Miles (E) - Juli Jana (E) </p> <p>GROUP OF POETS (E): <i>The Constant Gardener</i> The Constant Gardener draws on the metaphor of a gardener. Our poems are about the change in a physical garden together with our human relationships. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Liz Trew ▪ Lise Day ▪ Pam Newham </p> <p>MC: Archie Swanson R50</p>	<p>#30: 11.00 – 11.45 SEEING BEYOND WORDS</p> <p><i>Seeing Beyond Words</i> is the filmic impressions of the poets' expressions. A visual (video format) representation of poetry written by McGregor youth, some of which has been published in the McGregor Poetry Anthology. This is a collaboration with published and unpublished McGregor youth poets and a local youth film crew in training working creatively to portray the poets' imagery against the backdrop of McGregor.</p> <p>Mark Chipps & Conny Mater R50</p>	<p>#31: 11.00 – 12.00 EDEN AT TEMENOS A JOURNEY OF SOUND AND WORD</p> <p>Using a selection of Ashley's own poetry, along with the work of poets such as the naturalist Robert MacFarlane and South African poets, Douglas Livingstone and Chris 'Zithulile' Mann, the two will present a meditative experience, which engages the sense of imagination and self-in nature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ashley Dowds - Quentin Dibbley-Green <p>R50</p>	<p># 32: 11.00 – 12.00 HUGH HODGE OPEN MIC</p> <p>MC: Patricia Schonstein Headliner Poet: Kathryn Hounsell</p> <p>FREE EVENT</p>		<p>#34: 12.00 – 12.45 BOOK LAUNCH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Christine Coats <i>The Summer We Didn't Die</i> - Thandi Sliepen <i>the stem of the moon</i> <p>FREE EVENT</p>
	<p>#35: 12.00 – 12.45 POETRY IN MCGREGOR IN ABSENTIA</p> <p><i>In Absentia</i> is a video presenting poems by poets unable to attend the Poetry in McGregor festival in person and wishing to attend in spirit through the sharing of their poems. The poems are read by professional actors and voice artists.</p> <p>R50</p>				
13.00: POETS' CELEBRATORY LUNCH AT TEBALDI'S					

FESTIVAL EXTRAS

POETS' CORNER

10.00 Saturday 20th to 12.30 Sunday 21st November

Next to the labyrinth in the Temenos Retreat Centre gardens

Poets and lovers of poetry are invited to come and share their own poetry or poems which inspire and move them at the Poets' Corner hosted by Patricia Schonstein and Alison Westwood. There is no charge for participation.

BOOK TENT

09.00 Saturday 20th to 13.00 Sunday 21st November

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Poets and lovers of poetry can enjoy perusing and buying the publications by poets performing at this year's Poetry in McGregor Festival as well as a range of other well-known and emerging poets at the Book Tent hosted by Clarke's Book Shop.

ART IN THE GARDEN

09.00 Saturday 20th to 15.00 Sunday 21st November

On the lawn outside Tebaldi's Restaurant

The McGregor Art Circle presents an exhibition of works inspired by the Garden of the Beloved.

STILLNESS: NEW PAINTINGS BY EDNA FOURIE

La Galleria, 7 Bree St. McGregor

10:30 – 14:30 Saturday 16th October to Sunday 21st November