



Write Out Loud!

The Eastside's Annual Literary Arts Festival, is now in its fifth year. *Write Out Loud!* will feature spokenword artists, workshops, author appearances, and other written and spokenword activities for all ages. Eastside writers will have the opportunity to create and present work to the public. The festival brings together the Eastside community of writers and raises awareness of the literary arts.

Write Out Loud! is organized by volunteers through Redmond Association of SPOkenword. *Write Out Loud!* sponsorship comes from the Jaech Foundation and the City of Redmond Arts Commission and Parks & Recreation Department, with funding from the King County Arts Commission.

RASP

The Redmond Association of SPOkenword was founded in 1997 to establish a vibrant literary community on the Eastside, where people of all ages are empowered to create and perform works of written and spoken art.



RASP produces a monthly literary event with featured readers and an open mike the first Saturday of every month at Victor's Celtic Coffee Company in downtown Redmond.

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Poetry Fools

Sat. April 20, 1:00 pm

Three poets will alight upon Redmond Town Center (16496 NE 74th St.) with literary silliness. Catch a glimpse of these merry performers, as they "carol" poetry that old and young alike are sure to enjoy. **Free.**

An Evening with Connie Willis

Sat. April 20, 7:00 pm

Connie Willis has won more Hugo and Nebula Awards than any other author. Share in her quick wit and fantastic imagination during this interview and reading at the Redmond Senior Center (8703 160 Ave NE). **Tickets \$10. Visit www.rasp.cc or call 425-558-5829 to order.**

Senior Writers' Day

Sun. April 22, 1:00 pm

Marion Kimes will lead a writing workshop at the Redmond Senior Center (8703 160 Ave NE). Following the workshop will be an open mike at which workshop participants and others may share their work. **Free.**

Writing Workshop

Thurs. April 26, 7:00 pm

Award winning writer Katherine G. Bond will lead a two-hour workshop for all ages at the Redmond Library (15810 NE 85th St.). **Free.**

Children's Author Booksigning

Sat. April 27, 1:00 pm

Children's authors Dia Calhoun, Carole Lexa Schaefer, Carol Reed-Jones, Randy Powell, and Bonny Becker will read from their work at Border's Books & Music in Redmond Town Center (16549 NE 74th St.). A booksigning will follow. **Free.**

Young Authors' Awards Ceremony

Sat. April 27, 2:00 pm

This is a celebration of the winners of and participants in the Young Authors' Contest (grades 1-6), held at Borders Books & Music in Redmond Town Center (16549 NE 74th St.). Contest winners will read their stories from a chapbook that will be free to all. Everyone is welcome to attend. **Free.**

Teen Poetry Workshop and Slam

Fri. April 27, 7:00 pm, Slam 8:00 pm

Cassie Sparkman, a teacher of poetry writing at Chief Sealth High School, will lead a workshop and poetry slam at the Old Fire House Teen Center (16510 NE 79 St). The slam is a low-pressure competition in a friendly environment. The top three winners will receive cash prizes! **Free.**

For more information about RASP or Write Out Loud!, visit www.rasp.cc, or call 425-556-2392.



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