

July 22nd at 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Patrick Vincent's *The Clouds We Share* closing reception

Open Book, Minneapolis

This is the closing weekend for the exhibition, and Donna Isaac's poem is part of the exhibit and reading, "Gaz(elle)."

Mar. 5th, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Literary Bridges marks 50 years of the Onionskins, a writing group

Next Chapter Booksellers

38 Snelling Ave South, St. Paul, MN

Featuring Pat Barone, Carol Masters, Sharon Chmielarz, Donna Isaac, Mary Kay Rummel, Norita Dittberner-Jax, and Kate Hallett Dayton. Host Donna Isaac states: "It has been my privilege to be part of this writing group for several years, but it has been around for 50, so it's time to honor that dedication. We will also remember Ethna McKiernan, who sadly passed away, but who was integral to the group, and Margaret Hasse, who will be out of town. Since it is Women's History Month, how fitting to celebrate these talented, brilliant women poets."

Feb. 5th, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Literary Bridges hosts Hamline University creative writers

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38 Snelling Ave South, St. Paul, MN

Elena Laskowski, Austin Malberg, Arielle Newfield, Remi Sherman, Tara Westerlund, and Ruqa Martins.

Many of the students/alums worked on *The Fulcrum Journal*, created in 1995 to represent the balance between the literary and visual art communities at Hamline, showcasing the diverse voices of undergraduate students with their annual publication. Co-host Donna Isaac states, "We celebrate Hamline University for its fine creative writing programs, teachers, and publications; these writers are just a cross-section of the wonderful work that H.U. does right down the street from Next Chapter."

Saturday, January 7 & Saturday, February 4, 2023

10:00 am-12:00 pm

First 2023 Free Poetry Workshops: Be part of the Cracked Walnut Poetry Workshop--bring about eight-ten copies of an original poem to share and critique.

Highland Park Library and Community Center

1974 Ford Pkwy., St. Paul, MN

First Floor Meeting Room

RSVP to Donna Isaac: donna@donnaisaacpoet.com

January 8, 2023

2:00-3:30 p.m.

The next Literary Bridges Reading: A All-Cracked Walnut Reading

Next Chapter Booksellers

38 S. Snelling Ave.

St. Paul, MN

The roster includes: Tony Plocido, Michael Kiesow Moore, Barry MacDonald, Micah Ruelle, Dralandra Larkins, Patrick Cabello Hansel, Donna Isaac, and Stan Kusunoki.

Also scheduled to read are Mugunthan Ganesan, Bill Anderson and Jessi Atherton.

Friday, November 11th, 2022

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Poets Donna Isaac and Brian Baumgart will be reading at

Eat My Words Bookstore

214 13th Avenue NE

Minneapolis, MN

This event will help launch Janna Knittle's newest book, *Real Work*, Donna will be selling her chapbook *Persistence of Vision*.

Sunday, Nov. 6th, 2022

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Donna Isaac will be reading with four other League of MN Poets' members

Cherry St. Book

503 Broadway St

Alexandria, MN

She will have copies of her chapbook Persistence of Vision for sale.

Saturday, Nov. 12th and Dec. 3rd, 2022

10:00 am-12:00 pm

Final free poetry workshops for 2022

Be part of the Cracked Walnut Poetry Workshop

Bring about eight-ten copies of an original poem to share and critique

Highland Park Library and Community Center

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Saturday, July 2nd and Aug. 6th, 2022

10:00 am-12:00 pm,

Free summer poetry workshop

Be part of the Cracked Walnut Poetry Workshop.

Bring about eight-ten copies of an original poem to share and critique.

Highland Park Library and Community Center

1974 Ford Pkwy., St. Paul, MN

First Floor Meeting Room

RSVP to Donna Isaac: donna@donnaisaacpoet.com

Donna Isaac will be the guest poet at the Minnesota Independent Scholars' Forum on May 28th, 2022 starting at 10:00

a.m. via Zoom. For more information and for link, go to: <https://www.mnindependentscholars.org/>Be part of the Cracked

Walnut Poetry Workshop. Bring about eight-ten copies of an original poem to share and critique to

Highland Park Library and Community Center, 1974 Ford Pkwy., St. Paul, MN,

First Floor Meeting Room: 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Saturday, June 4th and July 2nd, 2022.

RSVP to Donna Isaac donna@donnaisaacpoet.com . Look for more workshops in the future!

Sunday, March 6th, 2022

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

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38 Snelling Avenue S., St. Paul, MN

Literary Bridges presents "Honoring Ethna," a reading in memory of poet Ethna McKiernan. Readers include: Sharon Chmielarz, Carolyn Holbrook, Jim Rogers, Carol Masters, Pat Barone, Margaret Hasse, Tracy Youngblom, and Joel Van Valin with host Donna Isaac.

Music by Don and Sherry Ladig.

Donations collected for Habitat for Humanity, Twin Cities, and/or People Inc.

Homeless Services in honor of Ethna's work with the homeless.

Please be vaxxed and masked.

Saturday, March 5th, 2022

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Highland Park Library and Community Center

1974 Ford Parkway, St. Paul, MN

First Floor Meeting Room

Be part of the Cracked Walnut Poetry Workshop. Bring about eight copies of an original poem to share and critique to

You must be vaxxed and masked. Contact Donna Isaac: donna@donnaisaacpoet.com to rsvp.

Saturday, February 5, 2022

10:00am - 12:00 pm

The first free Cracked Walnut Poetry Workshop of 2022 is a go!

Bring about six copies of an original poem to share and critique to Highland Park Library and Community Center
1974 Ford Pkwy., St. Paul, MN

First Floor Meeting Room

Note: This is a new location. You must be vaxxed and masked.

Contact Donna Isaac: donna@donnaisaacpoet.com to rsvp. See you then! 10:00am - 12:00 pm

February 6th, 2022

2:00-3:30 p.m.

Next Chapter Booksellers

38 Snelling Ave. South St. Paul, MN

Literary Bridges (Cracked Walnut) presents "Love: A Universal Language," celebrating February the month of love and Black history. After reading a selection of online Somali-American writing on "Sunday Lyricality," host Donna Isaac states, "These writers enrich our lives with their poetry, their stories, and their work in the community. I am so happy that they will gather to share their voices." Presenting will be Khadijo Abdi, Halima Hagi-Mohamed, Samira Hussein, Hudda Ibrahim, and Abdi Mahad. The reading will take place in person (please be masked and vaccinated.) Light refreshments served. Donations requested (optional).

Saturday, Nov. 6th, 2021

10:00-12:00

Join Donna and other writers (of all ages) at the Cracked Walnut Poetry Workshop

East Side Freedom Library

1105 Greenbrier St., St. Paul, MN

Bring about five-six copies of a poem to share and wear a mask.

The last 2021 date is Dec. 4. Donations requested for ESFL. RSVP or ask questions to Donna Isaac at this email:

donna@donnaisaacpoet.com

Saturday, Oct. 23rd, 2021

10:30-12:00

Minneapolis Marriot Southwest

5801 Opus Parkway

Minnetonka

Donna Isaac will be presenting a kind of "TED Talk" at the upcoming LOMP Conference
Post-Pandemic Pep Talk: Our Creative Selves

Saturday, Oct. 16th, 2021

10:00-12:00

State Fairgrounds, St. Paul.

Join Donna Isaac and other LOMP members at the Rain Taxi Book Festival.

She will sell and sign her books *Footfalls* and *Perseverance of Vision* at the LOMP table

Oct. 30th, 2021

9:00-1:00

Sign up today for Donna's class: Dissecting Frankenstein: The Art of the Prose Poem

North Suburban Arts housed in the Banfill-Locke House

6666 E. River Rd., Fridley.

October 3rd, 2021

Sunday matinee 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Host Donna Isaac

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38 Snelling Avenue South

St. Paul, MN

Donna's newly launched series begins with a fall reading: Literary Bridges: Autumn Leaves with poets Thomas R. Smith,

Mary Kay Rummel, Stanley Kusunoki, Norita Dittberner-Jax, and Mary Moore Easter.
Please wear a mask. Donations welcome for readers. Refreshments will be offered.

Sunday, Sept. 12, 2021

2:00-4:00 p.m.

The Launch of Literary Bridges: A Cracked Walnut Celebration

Join us to help launch the merging of Stanley Kusunoki's reading series Bridges with Donna Isaac's series Literary Lights
Next Chapter Booksellers

38 Snelling Ave. S., St. Paul,

Isadore Gruye, Janna Knittel, Jeanne Lutz, Carol Masters, Michael Dean, Bill Anderson, Mary Jo Thompson, Carolyn
Holbrook, Lia Rivamonte, David Mura, Michael Kleber-Diggs, Margaret Hasse Anthony Ceballos, Ardie Medina, and
Claudia Daly. There will be cake and bubbly and a bassist for your enjoyment.

We are also celebrating Cracked Walnut, a performance chapter of the League of MN Poets.

We will be following the bookstore's guidelines for safety. Please join us!

Sat., Sept 11, 2021

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Join me, Donna Isaac (coordinator and teacher), and other writers (of all ages) at the free CW Poetry Workshop
East Side Freedom Library

110 Greenbrier St., St. Paul, MN

Bring about five copies of a poem to share and a lawn chair or blanket. If we meet inside, bring a mask. Donations
welcome for ESFL.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021 AT 7 PM CDT – 8 PM CDT on Facebook

Donna will be interviewed online in Up Close: Meet the Poet Behind the Verse--Donna Isaac

The event is also recorded for future viewing if you can't make the live interview.

Sunday, June 6th, 2021

2:00 p.m. (EST), which is 1:00 pm (CST)

Donna will read from the book *Moving Images: Poetry Inspired by Film*

To Join the reading this link at [Google Meet](#)

July 11th, 2021

2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. CST

Join us for a Literary Lights' reading, A Celebration of Summer, Sunday Zoom matinee, through Next Chapter
Booksellers featuring Minnesota poets Sharon Chmielarz and Richard Terrill; Cincinnati's first Poet Laureate Pauletta
Hansel; and Virginia Poet Laureate Emerita Carolyn Kreiter-Foronda. With host Donna Isaac. Register at [Next Chapter
Booksellers website](#).

Donna is especially excited about this reading, presenting two well-known Minnesota writers, Sharon Chmielarz and
Richard Terrill, who hosts the Midstream Reading series in Minneapolis. Sharon will read poetry and share riddles from
her new Nodin Press book *Speaking in Riddles*. "Because of Zoom, we will also be hearing from Ohio poet and first Poet
Laureate of Cincinnati, Pauletta Hansel, and Virginia Poet Laureate Emerita, Carolyn Kreiter-Foronda. This reading gives
us a chance to celebrate summertime, so sit back and savor the words, the wit, the beauty of these four amazing artists."

Thursday, July 15th, 2021

12:00 noon

Mounds Park Picnic Pavilion

10 Mounds Blvd., St. Paul, MN

Donna will be part of the Pen Pal Poetry Project reading for the Eastside Elder

Sunday, May 2, 2021 6:00 p.m. CST

Donna Isaac will read live!

presented by [Minneapolis Television Network](#)

(Online with Facebook Live and free to the public.)

Hosted by Ronald Palmer with other readers: Clarence White, Cheryl Wilke, and Dave Rannow.

April 21, 2021 at 6:30 pm

Donna Isaac will read in the 2021 Arts Consortium of Carver County's celebration of National Poetry Month
Please RSVP by April 18, 2021 to poems@artsofcarvercounty.org to receive the Zoom invitation.

March 7, 2021 2:00-3:00 p.m. Central Time

Please join Donna Isaac (host) in her Literary Lights reading series on
The reading will celebrate Women Poets and Women's History Month with writers: Marge Barrett, Shirley Smith Franklin, Ethna McKiernan, Terri Ford, and Wendy Brown-Baez. Register at [Next Chapter Booksellers](#)

March 21st, 2021

Donna's poem "End of November" will be featured on "Sunday Morning Lyricality,"
a venue that highlights Minnesota editors and poets. Poet Beth Spencer selected this poem to present. Archives of other poets' work can also be found at this [link](#).

Feb. 7, 2021 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Literary Lights will host a Zoom reading
honoring Frederick Douglass with writers
Shannon Gibney, IBé Kaba, Chasity Gunn, Banji Lawal, and Raymond Camper,
sponsored by Next Chapter Booksellers.
Go to [Next Chapter](#) website for upcoming link.

Sept. 17th, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

Donna will be reading for the Bridges' Reading Series (Next Chapter Booksellers) featuring hosts from other readings
She will read last for this virtual event! <https://www.nextchapterbooksellers.com/event>.
It's a fantastic line-up of poets.

October 4th, 2:00-3:00, 2020

Literary Lights hosted by Donna will present a Zoom Reading
Featuring the online anthology *A Moment of Silence*
A Moment of Silence offers unabashed accounts by Black artists in Minnesota facing the George Floyd uprising and COVID-19.
The anthology shines a light on a rich Minnesota literary community of leaders, activists, politicians, mothers, scholars, youth, and elders who speak truth and resilience at a time when it is needed most.
Featured readers are Abdifatah Farah, Joe Davis, ShaVunda Brown, and Wisdom Young. To register go to nextchapterbooksellers.com and click on the Literary Lights' event on the Oct. calendar or use this link:
<https://www.nextchapterbooksellers.com/event/cracked-walnut-presents-literary-lights>

Saturday, September 12, 2020 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

Cracked Walnut Literary Workshop, open to anyone interested in having a poem critiqued, will meet at the East Side Freedom Library 1105 Greenbrier St., St. Paul, MN
We will meet outside (weather permitting) to social distance. Please bring blanket or chair. Masks required if we need to meet inside. Bring at least six copies of an original poem to share. Donations welcome for the ESFL. Host: Donna Isaac
If you are coming, rsvp to donna@donnaisaacpoet.com
This might be our last outdoor workshop 2020, which has been very fun and successful. Please join us.

Saturday, August 8th, 2020 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Cracked Walnut Literary Workshop, open to anyone interested in having a poem critiqued, will meet at the East Side Freedom Library 1105 Greenbrier St. St. Paul, MN
We will meet outside (weather permitting) to social distance. Feel free to bring blanket or chair. Masks required if we need to meet inside. Bring at least six copies of an original poem to share. Donations welcome for the ESFL. Host: Donna Isaac
If you are coming, rsvp to donna@donnaisaacpoet.com if possible.

Dates: Second Saturdays, March-June 2020 10:00 am-12:00 pm
Cracked Walnut Literary Workshops

Open to anyone interested in having a poem critiqued
East Side Freedom Library 1105 Greenbrier St., St. Paul, MN
Bring at least six copies of an original poem to share.
Donations welcome for the ESFL.

Host: Donna Isaac.

February 23, 2020 6:00-7:30

Donna Isaac will be the featured reader for the next

Bird's Nest Poetry Reading

The Eggroll Queen Café 1579 Hamline Avenue, Falcon Heights, MN

Poets are welcome to sign up for an open mic at 5:30.

Tributes to poet Mike Finley.

January 15, 2020 7:00 p.m.

Donna Isaac will launch her new poetry chapbook, *Persistence of Vision*, reading with Isadora Gruye from her new book, *The Ladies' Guide to the Apocalypse* along with other new poems at

Subtext Books 6 5th St. W., St. Paul

Books for sale and book signing.

Feb. 9th, 2020 2:00-3:30 p.m.

The first 2020 Literary Lights' reading will be

Next Chapter Booksellers 38 Snelling Ave., St. Paul

celebrating February Black History Month, a celebration of the Harlem Renaissance with writers Hawona Sullivan-Janzen, Brenda Brown Bell, James Bernard Short, A. Rafael Johnson, Mary Moore Easter, and Clarence White.

Feb. 29th, 2020 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Donna will teach a free poetry craft class, Poetic Forms Across Cultures

Irreverent Bookworm 5163 Bloomington Ave., Mpls.

Sign up by e-mailing Donna Isaac, instructor: donna@donnaisaacpoet.com by beginning of Feb.

Class limited to 12 participants, older teens-adults.

March 1st, 2020 2:00 p.m. -3:30 p.m.

Join Literary Lights' celebration of Women's History Month with Women from the League of MN Poets

Next Chapter Booksellers 38 S. Snelling Ave. St. Paul, MN

featuring poets: Denise Alden, Amanda Bailey, Mary Schmidt, Annette Gagliardi, Sara Dovre Wudali, Laura Kozy Lanik, and Linda White.

November 5th, 2019 7:00 p.m.

Donna Isaac will read from her new chapbook, *Persistence of Vision* (Finishing Line Press, book for sale) and other work.

Along with poets Sharon Chmielarz and Ethna McKiernan

Magers & Quinn

3038 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, MN

November 13th, 2019

Donna Isaac will be the featured reader for the Clapping Waters Reading Series

6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. with an open mic until 8:00 p.m.

River Falls Public Library (lower level)

River Falls, WI

November 20th, 2019 7:00 p.m.

Donna Isaac will be reading along with poet Margaret Hasse. (Books for sale)

Tillie's Farmhouse

232 Cleveland Avenue, St. Paul, MN

October 12th, 2019

Free Poetry Craft Class: Loud, Quiet Writing, The Dynamics of Sound in Poetry

Sign up by contacting Donna Isaac, instructor: donna@donnaisaacpoet.com by October 6th, 2019

Class is held 10:00 - 12:00 a.m.,

The Irreverent Bookworm

5163 Bloomington Avenue South, Mpls, MN

No fee but donations welcome on day of Class. Ages: young adults-adults with some poetic knowledge. Bring paper, pen, and/or a computer. Class will be canceled if low sign-up. Sponsored by Cracked Walnut.

October 17th, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

Donna Isaac will read with the *Saint Paul Almanac* readings:

Amore Coffee

879 Smith Avenue South, West Saint Paul, MN

She will be joined by other artists from the latest almanac.

Oct. 5th, 2019, 1:00-2:30

Donna Isaac, Rico Latino, Diane Jarvenpa, and See More Perspective will read with Ted King's Tributary Reading Series, Selam Coffeehouse

3860 Minnehaha Ave., Minneapolis, MN

September 19th, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

Donna Isaac will read with Stanley Kusunoki's Bridges Reading Series along with other reading hosts/writers from the Twin Cities on

Next Chapter Booksellers

38 South Snelling Ave., St. Paul, MN

Literary Lights:

Literary Lights, a Twin Cities reading series, is now Donna Isaac's own series sponsored by Cracked Walnut of the League of MN Poets to be presented at least four first Sundays of the year at Next Chapter Booksellers on Snelling and Grand Avenue in Saint Paul.

Oct. 6, 2019, 2:00-3:30

Literary Lights with Donna Isaac presents Peace & Love: 50 Years After Woodstock, a poetry reading with Mike Finley, Deborah Keenan, Ethna McKieran, Tim Nolan, and Sherrie Fernandez-Williams

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Donations welcome. Books for sale.

August 4th, 2019, 2:00-3:30

Donna will host her reading series Literary Lights

Next Chapter Booksellers

38 S. Snelling Ave., St. Paul

presenting seven winning writers of the St. Paul Sidewalk Poetry Contest 2019: Zach Wilson, Ellen Fee, Roberto Carmona, Claudia Kane Munson, Dan Schauer, Lauren Dwyer, and Amanda Tran.

July 7, 2019, 2:00

The launch of Literary Lights features readers from the new book *Startled By Joy*, an anthology of traditional verse

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38 Snelling Ave., St. Paul.

Readers include Donna Isaac (host), Laura Vosika, Michael Dean, Thomas R. Smith, Tekken, Suzanne Swanson, Sara Dovre Wudali, and Mark Connor.

June 2, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

Donna will read with other poets who contributed to *Upon Waking*,

Bonshaker Books, 2002 23rd Ave. S., Minneapolis

May 9th, 2019, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Donna Isaac will read in Writers Read along with Ron Palmer, Terri Ford, Raymond Comper, and Leah Fleming
The Coffee Shop N.E., 2852 Johnson St. N.E., Minneapolis, MN

May 3rd, 2019 7:00 p.m.

Donna will read with other poetry contributors to the Cracked Walnut anthology, *After the Equinox* in which Donna's poem "Transaction" is included 2001: A Space, 2001 5th Street NE, Minneapolis, MN

February 24th, 2019 2:00-3:30

Writers will read original works on the theme of love: Anne Piper, River Urke, Lee Landau, Laura Vosika, Tammy Darrah Wenberg, and Ron Palmer. Donations are requested.

January 27th, 2019 2:00-3:30

Host Donna Isaac presents two Literary Lights' readings at Blue Harbor Center for the Arts 559 Humboldt Ave., St. Paul. Writers will read original works on the theme of renewal: A. Rafael Johnson, Ka Vang, David Bayliss, Annette Schiebout, and Jennifer Hernandez.

January 12, 2019 1:00-4:00

Donna will teach the class Eating Poetry: Poems About Food for the Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts. The class will be reprised for the Loft and is offered on Feb. 16, 1:00-4:00. Go to [The Loft](#) for more information.

November 4, 2018 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Donna is taking *Footfalls* on the road to VA environs in the Shenandoah Valley whence it all began! If you are in VA, please come to a reading:

WriterHouse, 508 Dale Ave., Charlottesville, VA

with cover artist Laura Bittle, q & a, and book sales (20.00 cash or check)

November 5, 2018 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Central Branch of Massanutten Regional Library, 174 S. Main St., Harrisonburg, VA
with book sales (20.00 cash or check)

November 8th, 2018, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Donna will read at Winchester Book Gallery, 7 N. Loudon St., Winchester, VA
with books for sale (20.00 cash or check)

Sept. 30th, 2018, 2:00 p.m.

Literary Lights kicks off season's readings with a tribute to Peace in collaboration with twincitiesnonviolent.org and their promotion of Ten Days Without Violence.

Reading at Blue Harbor, 559 Humboldt Ave., St. Paul

Didi Koka, Luke Pingel, Krystal Morley, Mary Kay Rummel, Morgan Grayce Willow, and Beth Spencer with host Donna Isaac.

September 20, 2018, 7:00 PM

Donna will be reading in the BRIDGES Reading series

Blue Harbor Center for the Arts, 559 Humboldt Avenue, St. Paul. Ph: 651-523-7201

"The September Bridges reading is extra special for a couple of reasons," says host/curator Stan Kusunoki. "First of all, Bridges is two years old! It's great to be celebrating in the new venue, Blue Harbor Center for the Arts, with pals who host/ curate other reading series around town." In addition, the reading will serve as the unofficial preview to 10 Days Free of Violence, sponsored by Twin Cities Nonviolent. "It is great to be a part of this wonderful series of events around the Twin Cities focusing on the need to end violence."

August 4th, 2018 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Donna will teach her class Seeing and Writing the World

Banfill-Locke Center for the Arts, [6666 E. River Rd., Fridley, MN](#).

This class explores the importance of seeing both the real world and with the mind's eye so that writers then create the best images, associations, and experiences for their readers--with a special focus on poetry.

Aug. 15th, 2018 1:30 p.m.

Join poets Lee Landau, Donna Isaac, and Isadora Gruye for a poetry reading
Marion Hall, RidgePointe, 12600 Marion Lane W., Minnetonka, MN
Refreshments served and books for sale.

June 20th, 2018 7:00-8:00 P.M.

Subtext Bookstore, 6 W. 5th St., downtown St. Paul, MN

An Evening of Poetry from Donna Isaac and Janna Knittel.

Donna will read from her new book about her Appalachian upbringing, *Footfalls*,
and Janna will read from her new chapbook of nature poems, *Fish and Wildlife*.

June 21, 2018 7:00 P.M.

The Bridges Reading Series at Har Mar Mall

2100 N. Snelling Ave., St. Paul

Featuring Donna Isaac (host and reader), Kevin Fitzpatrick, Charlie Curry, Michael Humphry, and Linda White.

May 30, 2018 7:00 P.M.-8:30 P.M.

Blue Harbor, 559 Humboldt Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55107

Everyone is invited to a book launch reading and celebration of Donna Isaac's first full poetry collection

Footfalls, Pocahontas Press.

She will be joined by poets Tammy Darrah Wenberg and Sharon Chmielarz with internationally acclaimed auto harpist and dulcimer player Karen Mueller. Reception, book sales, and book signing afterwards. (Please bring 20.00 cash or check for book purchase.)

May 12, 2018 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Banfill-Locke, 6666 E. River Rd., Fridley, MN

Donna will be part of the Banfill-Locke's Center for the Arts' 3rd Annual Writers' Workshop Day
teaching the class Writing Loud, Writing Quiet.

April 19, 2018 7:00-8:00 p.m.

South St. Paul Library, 106 3rd Ave. N, St. Paul, MN

Join Donna as host for Cracked Walnut's "Travel Ban"

Readers include Mark Anderson, Susan Cossette, Choua Lang, Sreekanth Bhaskaran, and Luke Pingel.

April 5th, 2018 7:00 p.m.

Wentworth Library, 199 Wentworth Ave. E., W. St. Paul, MN

Donna will host the first reading for the Cracked Walnut Spring Festival 2018

The theme is Flightless Birds.

Readers include Lee Landau, Sreekanth Bhaskaran, Anna Marie, Isadora Gruye, and Will Hecht.

Twin Cities' reading series, Literary Lights,

Blue Harbor

559 Humboldt, St. Paul

The first four for 2018 will be hosted by Donna Isaac and occur the last Sunday of the month

January 28th, 2018 February 25th, 2018 March 25th, 2018 April 29th, 2018

2:00-3:30 p.m.

January 28th, 2018

Celebrates Latinx writers: Diego Rivera, Wendy Brown-Baez, Reynaldo Lara, Marion Gomez, Lupe Castillo, and David Mendez. February's reading

February 25th, 2018

Celebrates African-American writers, Feb. 25th: Sherrie Fernandez-Williams, Michael Kleber-Diggs, Cherish Gibson, Sharon Chmielarz, Brenda Brown Bell, and James Short.

March 25, 2018

Celebrating women and motherhood, March 25th: featuring Haley Lasche, Mike Finley, Janna Knittel, Michael Dean, Linda White, and Laura Vosika

April 29, 2018

Celebrates Poetry Month, April 29: A matinee reading featuring Rosa Peters, Michael Kiesow-Moore, Shannon Schenk, Su Smallen, Stanley Kusunoki, and Paige Riehl

You are cordially invited to Writers' Read

Thursday Dec. 14th, 7:00-8:30, @ the Coffee Shop N.E., 2852 Johnson St. N.E., Minneapolis

Featuring readings by Donna Isaac, Debra Stone, David Bayliss, and Rosalie Peters; hosted by Janaya Martin.

December 9th, 2017 1:00-5:00 p.m

Seeing and Writing the World with instructor Donna Isaac

The Loft Open to all levels

Donna will be teaching *Creative Nonfiction: The Art of the Lyrical Essay*

Oct. 11, 2017 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Blue Harbor, 559 Humboldt Ave., St. Paul, MN

Go to <http://myblueharbor.com/classes> to see more and take a look at the center's offerings!

Martin Lake Poets with Donna Isaac

October 19, 2017 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Barnes and Noble, Har Mar Mall, 2100 N. Snelling Ave., St. Paul, MN

The Bridges Series will feature readings from Martin Lake writers, including Donna Isaac, Michael Kiesow-Moore, Jen Walls, River Marie Urke, Robert Palmer, and Rick Hilber. All are invited to hear poems from *The Martin Lake Poetry Anthology 2016* and new work!

Cracked Walnut Summer Lit Fest 2017 kicks off with a reading at

South St. Paul Library

106 3rd Ave. S. South St. Paul,

6/29, 6:30 p.m. with the theme of Emily Dickinson.

Donna Isaac will host/read for this reading.

Riverview Library, 1 George St., St. Paul, 7/8, 1:30 p.m. Theme: Walt Whitman

Wentworth Library, 199 Wentworth Ave. E., W. St. Paul, 7/27, 7:00 p.m. Theme: Mary Oliver

St. Anthony Park Library, 2245 Como Ave., St. Anthony, 8/3, 6:30 p.m. Theme: Hourglass

Join Red Bird authors

Donna Isaac, Vicky Lettmann, David Oppegaard, Craig Ruhland and Dorothy Schlesselman for an evening of poetry and prose

Friday, June 16, 7:00 p.m.

Artista Bottega, 937 7th St W, Saint Paul, MN

Saint Paul Almanac on a Collected Path is now hosting readings from this 2017 edition.

Donna will read^[SEP]

Sunday, May 21, 2017 2:00 p.m.^[SEP]

Claddagh, 459 Seventh St. West, St. Paul

Come listen to the latest writings from the Almanac!

Saint Paul Almanac on a Collected Path is now hosting readings from this 2017 edition.

Donna will read

Saturday, May 13, 2017 12:00 p.m.

Java Express Union Depot, 214 Fourth St. E., #120, St. Paul

Donna will both host and read

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 7:00 p.m.

Common Good Books, 38 Snelling Ave. S., St. Paul.

Free Writing Class, March 18, 2017 from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

I will be offering a free writing class entitled *Seeing and Writing the World*

Sponsored by Cracked Walnut

Go to crackedwalnut.com for more information and sign-up

Riverview Public Library meeting room

1 George St. E., St. Paul, MN

Open to teens-adult writers who want to work on ways to add visual detail to their work with an emphasis on poetry.

You may also contact me directly: donna@donnaisaacpoet.com

Reading March 10-11, 2017

Southern Appalachian Writers' Cooperative

Annual Appalachian Studies Conference

Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

I will read my poem "Summer Job" and other works

December 3rd, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

This event celebrates the publication of Hamline's *rock, paper, scissors*

Donna Isaac will be one of the early readers.

Bush Memorial Library on Hamline's campus

November 3rd, 2017 7:00 p.m.

Red Bird Chapbooks Five Published Authors:

Donna Isaac, Brian Beatty, Paul VanDyke, Barbara Jones, and Nancy Shi-Knodel

Artista Bottega, 937 7th St. W., St. Paul, MN

Donna will read from her chapbook *Holy Comforter* and will present some new poems.

Come join us for an autumnal literary celebration and then shop the beautiful art and antiques at Artista!

September 23rd, 2016 7:00 p.m.

Donna will host a Cracked Walnut reading entitled "Edibles"

Artista Bottega, 937 W. 7th St., St. Paul, MN

For full information, go to crackedwalnut.com

June 23, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Cracked Walnut presents "Rustica"

A reading about the rural life.

Donna will read along with other TC writers.

Fresh Grounds

1362 7th St. W., St. Paul, MN

Friday, February 12th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

A Cracked Walnut Reading

Subtext Books

6 W. 5th St., St. Paul, MN 55102

See crackedwalnut.com for more information.

Friday, February 26th at 7:00 p.m.

Red Bird authors including Donna Isaac will be reading at

Artista Bottega

937 7th St. W., St. Paul, MN

Beautiful art and chapbooks for sale!

Oct. 3, 2015, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Donna Isaac will be selling her chapbooks and some broadsides

Hamline University Alumni Marketplace

Anderson Center's Klas Commons on campus.

Other vendors include various authors, artists, and musicians. Stop by and check out the wares!

May 16th, 2015, 1:00 p.m.

The Cracked Walnut Literary Festival 2015 is on!

(Visit www.crackedwalnut.com for full listings.)

Saint Thomas Academy

949 Mendota Hts. Rd.

Mendota Heights, MN 55120

June 11th, 2015 3:00 p.m.

Learning and Environmental Sciences Building

University of Minnesota

1954 Buford Ave.

St. Paul, MN

room #380

October 11, 2014

Ames Center

12600 Nicollet Ave., Burnsville, MN from

10:00 AM-11:00 AM

Join Donna and artists Cindy Starkweather-Nelson and Bonnie Cutts at the
for a gallery showing and Donna's reading a poem inspired by their artwork.

October 11, 2014

State Fairgrounds from 2:00 PM-3:00 PM

Donna will be available to sign her chapbook

Holy Comforter at the Red Bird Chapbook table

"I Want to Go Out" won honorable mention in the Bloomington City Poetry Contest

"Wedding" was an acknowledged achievement

Winners of the contest will be honored at the Creekside Community Center in Bloomington

Aug. 16th, 2014

Hamline University

Readings by Hamline students, alums, and faculty in the Hamline University Basement

Bush Center

1536 Hewitt Ave.

St. Paul, MN

May 17, 6:15 p.m.

End-of-the-year open mic

Cracked Walnut Reading with Donna Isaac, Michael Kiesow Moore, Satish Jayaraj, Tom Ferderer and student poets

April 12, 2014 1:00 p.m.

Saint Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights, MN

Red Bird Chapbooks Poetry Reading

Subtext Bookstore

165 Western Ave.

St. Paul, MN

March 27th, 7:00 p.m.

Art Start Gallery is ending Margaret Hasse's poetry reading series, and she will be reading from her latest poems. Donna will be a part of the open mic session.

Thursday, December 12th, 2013

7:00 pm

1459 St. Clair, St. Paul

Donna will be part of a celebration for Deborah Keenan's new book *From Tiger to Prayer* (broadcraft press)

Monday, December 9, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Maeve's Coffee in Northeast Minneapolis.

In collaboration with the *St. Paul Almanac* and Cracked Walnut, Donna will read some of her poetry:

Friday, September 20th, 2013

Claddagh Coffeehouse

459 W. 7th St., St. Paul

7:00 p.m.

This reading will be part of a St. Paul Literary Festival.

Four of Donna's poems are featured on Cracked Walnut's first audio cd, vol. 1, "Departures," found at www.crackedwalnut.com.

Her poems are entitled:

"How Precious Did That Grace Appear," "Facts," "Off My Feed," and "I Want to Go Out." All of the poetry revolves around the theme of loss, leaving, and death.