

Kentucky State Poetry Society

Annual Meeting and Poetry Festival

(Unless otherwise noted, events are in Noel Studio Discovery Room at Eastern Kentucky University)

Friday, October 6

- 1:30 pm** **Welcome** (Julie Hensley)
- 2:00 pm** **Reading:** A Word From Our Sponsors--BGWS poets (Mary Elizabeth Pope, Ric Stuecker, B.J. Williams)
- 3:00 pm** **Creative Workshop:** Poetry from Your Past--Mining Memory/Genealogy (Julie Hensley)
- 4:15 pm** **Editor's Panel:** Entering the Literary Market (Leslie Schueler, Ellen Mitchell Marianne Worthington, Tasha Cotter)
- 5:30 pm** **Reading:** Finishing Line Press Poets (Marianne Worthington, Tasha Cotter, Christina Lovin)
- 7:00 pm** **Keynote Reading and Reception:** Frederick Smock, KY Poet Laureate @ Blanton House Garden

Saturday, October 7

- 9:00 am** **Reading:** Under the Influence—Poets Writing from Myth and Folklore (Young Smith, Bernard Deville, Joseph Nichols)
- 10:00 am** **Creative Workshop:** She Said What?!?--Crafting Persona Poems (Young Smith)
- 11:15 am** **Business Workshop:** Show Me the Money--Applying for Poetry Grants (Christina Lovin)
- 12:15 pm** **Lunch Groups {KSPS Board Meeting}**
- 2:00 pm** **Reading:** Schooled in the Alphabet--LGBTQ Poets (Jay McCoy, Joseph Breen, and Savannah Sipple)
- 3:00 pm** **Creative Workshop:** Cycling—Building Cohesive Manuscripts (Tina Parker, Tasha Cotter)
- 4:15 pm** **Editor's Panel:** Where Does Your Book Go From Here?—Submitting chapbook and book manuscripts (TBA)
- 6:00 pm** **KSPS Awards Reception @** Grand Reading Room (Youth awards will be announced and Jay McCoy will provide information about the 2017 adult awards.)
- 7:00 pm** **Dinner groups**
- 9:00 pm** **EKU slam performance** (Lee An Stoaks and others) @ Pearl Buchanan Theater

Sunday, October 8

- 9:00 am** **Reading:** Coloring in (and out) of the Lines--Contemporary Form
(Christopher McCurry, Jen Parks, Tina Parker)
- 10:00 am** **Creative Workshop:** Finding Your Own Form (Christopher McCurry)
- 11:15 am** **Business Panel:** Finding Your Peeps in a Writing Community—MFA
Programs, Residencies and Retreats, Writing Groups (R. Dean Johnson, Joyce
Honeysucker, Libby Falk Jones)
- 12:30 pm** **Lunch / Round Robin Reading** (Apollo Pizza)