

## Writing Events and Resources February 2012

### New Postings

#### Young Naturalist Awards 2012

<http://www.amnh.org/nationalcenter/youngnaturalistawards/index.html>

The Young Naturalist Awards is a science competition for students in grades 7-12 to promote participation and communication in science.

**Contest deadline is March 9, 2012**

#### Nebraska Writing Project

<http://www.unl.edu/newp/>

#### Youth Writing Festivals

[http://www.unl.edu/newp/news/2012/Youth\\_Writing\\_Fest.shtml](http://www.unl.edu/newp/news/2012/Youth_Writing_Fest.shtml)

Elkhorn South High School, Saturday March 3, 2012

University of NE-Kearney, Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012

#### Poetry of Place Writing Celebration

Submissions for the annual *Poetry of Place* writing celebration are **due March 26, 2012.**

<http://www.unl.edu/newp/news/2012/POP.shtml>



#### Brett Spencer's Nebraska Center for Writers

<http://mockingbird.creighton.edu/NCW>

On-line resource for writers of poetry, fiction, and creative non-fiction, providing information, advice, and links of interest to writers and readers across the state and beyond.

#### Brownville Writers

[www.brownvillewriters.blogspot.com](http://www.brownvillewriters.blogspot.com)

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Workshops, Seminars, and Readings in Brownville, NE

# ***burntdistrict***

<http://burntdistrict.org/>

Burntdistrict: a journal of contemporary poetry started by 2 fine Nebraska poets is accepting submissions for their inaugural issue.

burntdistrict poetry workshops:

burntdistrict poetry workshops address the needs of both the casual and the serious writer. We focus on the development, critique, craft, and revision of each poet's work and help them achieve their own individual poetic goals. Workshop space is limited to 10 poets to maintain a comfortable and productive environment. Check [www.burntdistrict.org](http://www.burntdistrict.org) for pricing and additional registration details. (All workshops at Hot Shops Art Center (1301 Nicholas Street, Omaha))

## ***Fine Lines***



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- ◆ Webpage: [www.finelines.org](http://www.finelines.org)
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- ◆ P. O. Box 241713, Omaha, NE 68124

Fine Lines is a national, quarterly literary journal devoted to the publication of poetry, prose, and writing across the curriculum for writers of all ages. They receive creative writing from all over the nation and authors of all occupations including prose articles of medium length, reflective essays on widely diverse topics that reflect life experiences, what one learns through the writing process, and poetry in all forms. Fine Lines also sponsors Summer Writing Camps and a Fine Lines Art Gallery.

Readers may order *Fine Lines* from our publisher via

<http://www.facebook.com//JAQAb2qj3AQB56zmWKFY3GC9v-yAnCDU26-ZGpl8P2oBKIA/www.writelife.com>

and they will ship a copy to you anywhere in the world that you like. Do not forget to check out our updated webpage at

<http://www.facebook.com//TAQBd2f1bAQDv5V5rNPoOrcKf11aPJOCaTRFzqg7dqYHxNg/www.finelines.org>.

## ***Hobble Creek Review***

<http://www.hobblecreekreview.net/index.html>

Submit writing to the Hobble Creek Review: A Journal of Poetry and Place

<http://www.hobblecreekreview.net/Submissions.html>

### **Sheridan Elementary School, Lincoln Public Schools**

*After School Writers Circle* at Sheridan Elementary for 2nd through 5th grade students will begin on September 19th and continue every Monday that school is in session until the last Monday in April.

For information about this event or starting your own afterschool writing club, contact Deb Coyle, [dcoyl72@aol.com](mailto:dcoyl72@aol.com).

### **Matt Mason's Poetry Menu**

[www.poetrymenu.com](http://www.poetrymenu.com)

The Poetry Menu makes event information available to daily and weekly newspapers as well as to a mailing list of over 200 poetry fans, so consider this a good, free resource for your events... Omaha poetry, Lincoln poetry, Scottsbluff, Kearney, Wayne, Norfolk, it's all here.



## **Achievement Awards in Writing**

### **National Council of Teachers of English**

Achievement Awards in Writing is a school-based writing program established in 1957 to encourage high school students in their writing and to recognize publicly some of the best student writers in the nation. The National Council of Teachers of English will give achievement awards in writing to students nominated and cited as excellent writers by judges. Only students who are JUNIORS in the academic year 2011-2012 may be nominated for 2012 awards; they must be candidates for high school graduation in 2013.

To request a brochure by mail, email your school mailing address to [aa@ncte.org](mailto:aa@ncte.org).

<http://www.ncte.org/awards/student/aa>



## **Promising Young Writers Program**

### **National Council of Teachers of English**

The Promising Young Writers program represents NCTE's commitment to early and continuing work in the development of writing. The school-based writing program was established in 1985 to stimulate and recognize student's writing talents and to emphasize the importance of writing skills among eighth-grade students. Students currently in the eighth-grade who are nominated by their schools may participate in the program. Schools in the fifty states, the District of Columbia, and Canada, as well as American schools abroad and the Virgin Islands, are eligible to nominate. The number of nominees from each school is determined by the eighth-grade average daily enrollment with one nominee per 100 students. Each state is allowed one winner for each member in the House of Representatives in the U.S. Congress.

Contact Robert Brooke, Director of the Nebraska Writing Project, for more information: [rbrooke@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:rbrooke@unlnotes.unl.edu)

<http://www.ncte.org/awards/student/pyw/2011>



### **Nebraska Book Festival**

<http://bookfestival.nebraska.gov>

[www.facebook.com/NebraskaBookFestival](http://www.facebook.com/NebraskaBookFestival)



### **Nebraska Center for the Book**

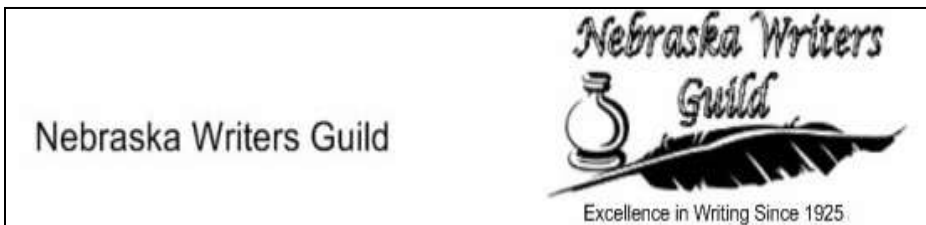
<http://centerforthebook.nebraska.gov/index.asp>

Find a wealth of knowledge about programs and upcoming events and all things literary that are important to Nebraska's readers, writers, booksellers, librarians, publishers, printers, educators and scholars.

### **Nebraska Language Arts Council (NeLAC)**

NeLAC is the state affiliate of the National Council of Teachers of English. Membership is open to all Language Arts educators, kindergarten to college level.

<http://www.education.ne.gov/READ/NELAC/Index-block.htm>



### **Nebraska Writers Guild**

[www.nebraskawriters.org](http://www.nebraskawriters.org)

The Nebraska Writers Guild, Inc. is a professional association for writers of all disciplines, literary agents, educators, publishers, librarians, and youth who are interested in promoting the craft of writing in Nebraska. The organization offers aspiring writers, award winning authors, and everyone in between a network for improving their craft. Among the benefits of membership are the Spring and Fall conferences, a quarterly newsletter, annual magazine, speakers available

statewide, short story contests, and a 4-6 Grade Annual Young Writers Conference.



### **Nebraska Writing Project**

<http://www.unl.edu/newp/>

The Nebraska Writing Project, a network of professional educators and affiliated writers, provides opportunities to improve, enhance and celebrate writing for classrooms and communities across Nebraska.

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### **Prairie Moon Reading & Music News**

A posting of reading events in the Lincoln, Nebraska area, covering one-time events, as well as reading series. Also, a listing of other local sites, blogs, and venues for reading events.

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<http://moonreading.blogspot.com>

[rexwalton@windstream.net](mailto:rexwalton@windstream.net)



### **Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center**

<http://springcreekprairie.org/prairie.htm>

Over 800 acres of native tallgrass prairie featuring ponds and wetlands, wildflowers and grasses, a diverse assortment of birds and other wildlife and historic nineteenth-century wagon ruts <<http://springcreekprairie.org/ne-springcreektrailruts.htm>> located 20 minutes southwest of Lincoln near Denton, NE. Visit [www.springcreekprairie.org](http://www.springcreekprairie.org) <<http://www.springcreekprairie.org>> or call (402) 797-2301 to learn more.



### **Tuesdays with Writers**

[www.tuesdayswithwriters.blogspot.com](http://www.tuesdayswithwriters.blogspot.com)

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Looking for a get-together of Lincoln-area writers? Once a month, the first Tuesday at 7 pm, come to the South Mill Coffee Shop, at 4736 Prescott, Lincoln, NE. We'll be here, with readers and coffee, and conversation.

### **Bess Streeter Aldrich Foundation**

P.O. Box 167, Elmwood, NE 68349

[www.BessStreeterAldrich.org](http://www.BessStreeterAldrich.org).

TENTH ANNUAL ALDRICH FOUNDATION SHORT STORY CONTEST ANNOUNCED

Original short stories by Nebraska authors are currently being accepted for the 2012 Bess Streeter Aldrich Foundation's short story contest. Submissions are due February 17, 2012.

<http://www.bessstreeteraldrich.org/contest.html>

Please email Kim Larson with information regarding writing events in your area:  
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