# Transformations: Evolving Approaches to Teaching, Poetry, and the Natural World

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021

9:30 AM - 10:45 AM One Day Workshop

Raina Leon, Processes: Revelations in the Hidden

11:00 AM - 12:15 PM

Panel:

Ecopoetics: Critical Engagements in the Natural World

Robb Fillman, "Water-flesh gleamed like mica": Tapping into Ron Rash's Ecopoetics Alicia Wright, Ecocritical Recoveries: Exhaustion, Intervention, and Reading A.R. Ammons

12:30 PM – 1:45 PM Movement Break "Yoga Snack"

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Reading: Local Ecopoetics

Emma Brenner, Connecting to History and Folklore Through Poetry

**WCU Student Poets** 

3:15 PM – 4:30 PM Opening Remarks and Keynote Address

Dr. Cherise Pollard, Director, WCU Poetry Center Dr. Jen Bacon, Dean, College of Arts & Humanities Anna Lena Phillips Bell, Keynote

4:45 PM Movement Break "Yoga Snack"

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5:00 PM – 6:15 PM Featured Workshop

Josh Davis, Filigreed Fire: Form and Intensity

6:30 PM

**Evening Reading** 

Open Mic followed by Featuring Workshop Leaders

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#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2021

10:00 AM – 11:15 AM Featured Workshop

Shan Overton, Making a Home of Outdoors: A Poetry Reading and Writing Workshop

11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Workshop (Included in registration)

Katie Hartsock, Bring-a-Blanket Verse: Moving in Place with Blank Verse

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Panel

Conversations with Rhina

Rhina Espaillat and Alfred Nicol

3:15 PM - 4:30 PM

Panel: Ecocreativity: Considerations of Place and Form in Poetry

Roberta Cimarosti, Reflections on Lagoon Territory

Michele Eduarda Brasil de Sa, Typical Nature in Evidence—Notes on Brazilian Haiku

4:45 PM - 6:00 PM

**Featured Workshop** 

Chris Vogt-Hennessey, The Container in Motion: A Survey and Workshop in Contemporary

Poetic Form as Embodied Energy

6:15 PM Movement Break

"Yoga Snack"

6:30 PM

**Evening Reading** 

Open Mic followed by Anna Lena Phillips Bell, Keynote

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### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2021**

9:00 AM — 10:15 AM Reading: International Ecopoetics Pulkita Anand, *Musing on Nature's Music* Diana Woodcock, *Facing Aridity* 

10:15 AM — 11:30 AM Workshop (Included in Registration) Aurora Shimshak, *Defamiliarizing Ecopoetics Through Instructions and Calendars* 

11:30 AM — 12:45 PM
Plenary with Anna Lena Phillips Bell
Heidi Staples and Anna Lena Phillips Bell:
Toward a Theory of Influence for the Symbiocene: The English and Scottish Ballad as
Subterranean Transgenerational Rhizomatic Network in Anna Lena Phillips Bell's Smaller Songs

12:45 Movement Break "Yoga Snack"

1:00 PM – 2:15 PM Workshop (Included in Registration) 2018 Donald Justice Poetry Prize Winner, Chad Abushanab, *Wordinary Magic* 

2:30 PM Featured Workshop 2021 Donald Justice Poetry Prize Winner, Alexis Sears, *What the Hell is a Villanelle?* 

4:00 PM Closing Remarks and Final Reading Open Mic followed by Workshop Leaders

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