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**Re:** Celebrate Poetry Month at the 2014 PoetrySLAM

Twelve high school poets will read their works in a PoetrySLAM on April 10 at 6:30 at the North Olympic Library System's Port Angeles Library.

Poems included this year cover a wide variety of topics, from loneliness to the meaning of art, and even *An Ode To a Trash Can*. "The judges are going to have a difficult time selecting winning poems" says organizer Jennifer Knight. "The poems are very creative." Poems will be judged prior to the contest based on content by volunteers Diane Urbani de la Paz of the *Peninsula Daily News* and Michael Mills of Peninsula College. The winning poet will receive a tablet; second and third place poets will win an iPod and gift certificates to local bookstores.

The Poetry SLAM is open to the public and offered in celebration of National Poetry Month. Other poetry events include a PoetrySLAM for middle grade students on April 18 and self-guided poetry walks on local trails starting later in April. The Port Angeles Main Library is located at 2210 S. Peabody St. in Port Angeles. To find out more about the PoetrySLAM, or other events at the Library, visit [www.nols.org](http://www.nols.org) and click on Events, call (360) 417-8500x7733, or email Youth Services Librarian Jennifer Knight at [jknight@nols.org](mailto:jknight@nols.org). The Port Angeles Friends of the Library are supporting this event.

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