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Date: April 7, 2017
Contact: Cheryl Martin, Customer Service Specialist
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Re: Poet Laureate Tod Marshall to hold Poetry Reading in Forks and Poetry Hike
and Workshop near Port Angeles.
Attached: *Tod Marshall.jpg*

Tod Marshall, the 2016-2018 Washington State Poet Laureate, will visit the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) in celebration of National Poetry Month. On Friday, April 21 at 6pm at the Forks Branch Library, Marshall will read from his most recent collection, *Bugle*, which won the Washington State Book Award in 2015. A brief Q&A session will follow the reading.

Marshall will also lead a hike and guided writing session on Saturday, April 22 along the Marymere Falls trail. The hike will depart at 11am from the Storm King Ranger Station on Lake Crescent. This will be a short, meditative hike with opportunities for participants to share their writing. No previous hiking or writing experience is required to attend the hike, but participants must be at least 18 years old. Space is limited, and pre-registration is required. To register, visit www.nols.org/events and select "Port Angeles".

About Tod Marshall

Tod Marshall is a poet and professor at Gonzaga University. His most recent book, *Bugle* won the Washington State Book Award in 2015. He is also the author of *Dare Say*, *The Tangled Line*, and a collection of interviews with contemporary poets, *Range of the Possible*.

The Washington State Poet Laureate serves to build awareness and appreciation of poetry — including the state’s legacy of poetry — through public readings, workshops, lectures, and presentations in geographically diverse areas of the state. The appointed poet laureate serves a two-year term and is sponsored by Humanities Washington and ArtsWA, with the support of Governor Jay Inslee. The position is funded by the National Endowment for the Arts and Humanities Washington.

More information

In addition to NOLS funding, this program is generously supported by the Port Angeles Friends of the Library. For additional information about this event visit www.nols.org and select “Events”, call 360.417.8500, or email Discover@nols.org. To receive regular updates about upcoming library events and programs, “Like” NOLS on Facebook. The Port Angeles Main Library is located at 2210 South Peabody Street. The Forks Branch is located at 171 South Forks Avenue.



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