

**TODAY'S EVENTS**

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
Yoga, Barn

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  
Breakfast, Bread Loaf Inn

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.  
Lecture: "Saying Yes to Life:  
On James Baldwin's *Giovanni's  
Room*, by Garth Greenwell,  
Little Theater

10:10 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.  
Poetry and Nonfiction  
Workshops

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Lunch, Bread Loaf Inn

1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.  
Blue Parlor Reading, Barn Tent

2:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.  
Craft Classes

4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.  
Reading: Jenny Bouilly and Mat  
Johnson, Little Theater

5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.  
Barn Social

5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Special Film Showing: *Toni  
Morrison: The Pieces I Am*, Little  
Theater

6:15 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.  
Dinner, Bread Loaf Inn

Free evening!

**Poetry and Nonfiction  
Workshop Locations**

Catherine Barnett - Little Theater Portico

Rick Barot - Barn Tent

Jenny Bouilly - Barn 206

Carmen Giménez- Blue Parlor

Sally Keith - Library Upstairs (Front End of Building)

Paul Lisicky - Barn 203

Adrian Matejka - Barn 205

Mark Wunderlich - Barn 102

**Craft Class Corner**

Please note that any required handouts are available on the table in the Inn.

"Propulsion: How To Keep Your Readers Hooked,"  
with Cleyvis Natera - Barn 101

"Writing Emotional Stakes and Making the Reader Cry,"  
with Lydi Conklin - Barn 206

"The Life of the Mind: Writing Interiority,"  
with Jessamine Chan - Barn 204

"Toward a Daily Practice of Poetry,"  
with Mark Wunderlich - Barn 102

"Lyric Coherences," with James Allen Hall - Barn 203

"Risking Rhyme," with Jenny Johnson - Barn 205



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Workshop Photos

While you are here at the conference, you have the chance to order 5x7 or 8x10 color group photos of your workshop. Photos of each group cost \$12 or \$15 per picture (according to size) if ordered at the Front Desk by 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 22nd. Pictures will be available for pickup around lunchtime Friday.

Any orders placed after 7:00 p.m. on August 22nd (that can't be filled before you leave) will be \$18/\$21 (mailing has gotten expensive) and will be mailed to your home address. If you have questions, please see Edward or Victoria Brown at the Front Desk. Completed order forms and full payment should be made at the Front Desk.

### Shipping & Mailing

If you plan to ship boxes home, they need to be sent from the Front Desk by Friday at 12:00 p.m. (This includes boxes shipped UPS or U.S. Postal Service). This will come in handy for all those books you've just bought. There are a few shipping boxes available by the Front Desk near the mailboxes. The Front Desk will help you price-compare various shipping options.

### Transportation

Please also stop by the Front Desk if you plan to leave Middlebury by bus or train Saturday morning, so that a van to town can be arranged. There will be a sign-up sheet for space in the van. Vermont Tour and Charter will only be providing rides to the Burlington Airport and will not stop in Middlebury.

## COMMUNITY ITEMS

### Black Writers' Meetup

This is for all participants, staff, fellows, faculty, and guests who identify as Black, African American, African, Afro-European, or Afro-Caribbean. We're having a meet-and-greet today at 8:00 p.m. at the Barn Tent. Please spread the word. Please feel free to contact Olga Jobe at [olga.job@gmail.com](mailto:olga.job@gmail.com) with questions.

### Latinx Writers' Meet-and-Greet

All participants, staff, fellows, faculty, and guests who identify as Latinx are invited to an informal meet-and-greet on today at 5:15 p.m. at the Barn Tent. It'll be a chance to meet other Latinx-identified authors, trade contact information and most importantly, to build comunidad! Please contact C. Adán Cabrera (@cadancabrera) or Matthew Lawrence García with any questions!

### AAPI Lunch and **\*\*Schedule Change\*\*** for AAPI Group Photo

In order to make space for the Words for Palestine reading on Thursday, the AAPI group lunch and photo will now both take place today. Grab your lunch and join us at the Dining Room Tent at 12:15 p.m.! We'll take a group photo at 1:00 p.m. Contact [crystalhanalkim@gmail.com](mailto:crystalhanalkim@gmail.com) or [yvonneliuwriter@gmail.com](mailto:yvonneliuwriter@gmail.com) with questions.

### Speculative Writers' Meetup

Informal dinnertime meet-up of speculative writers today at 7:00 p.m. at a table near the salad bar. Look for Meg Besser and Tanisha Tekriwal.

### Faculty Flashback!



A little Lauren Francis-Sharma to brighten our rainy day

## GUESTS

Today we welcome **Carolyn Kuebler** and **Laila Lalami** to the mountain, and bid a fond farewell to Michelle Whittaker.

# WEATHER

Scattered Showers  
High: 57°  
Low: 51°

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Ride-Share Bulletin Board

If you are willing to offer a ride on departure day, note your name on the carpooling sheet posted near the Dining Hall. Those looking for a ride can then contact you to make a plan.

### Special Talk Tomorrow

Tomorrow at 10:10 a.m. in the Little Theater, there will be a special talk featuring editors from *Poetry* and *Poetry Northwest*.

### Friendly Reminder

Masking is strongly encouraged in all indoor spaces. Please continue to eat outside as much as possible. Be safe out there!

## The Blue Parlor Strikes Back!

Even though it feels like we are just getting started, the Blue Parlor's final open reading will feature fifteen new readers at 1:15 p.m. in the Barn Tent. Put that post-lunch sugar rush to good use and join us for an hour of poetry, fiction, nonfiction, humor and more—delivered to you in three-minute increments.

Today's lineup features Aelita Parker, Nina Oishi, Alex Kuzio, Melissa Goslin, Kristen Surya, Rochelle Marrett, Teddy Helpers, Braedan Houtman, Daniel Schonning, Holly Burns, Grace MacNair, Rebecca Maker, Brett Harrington, Jason Baum, Flower Conroy, Elizabeth Dennison, and Gordon Taylor.

Big shout-out to all the folks who have been coming out to the Blue Parlor reading—you have continued to pack the house and make it such a vibrant and meaningful space! If you're wondering what all the fuss is about, then join us, tell your friends to come! Mark your calendar for the rest of our exciting Blue Parlor events: the "From the Dark Tower" reading happening on Thursday, August 22nd at 9:15 p.m. in the Barn Tent and the rapidfire "One Minute in Heaven" reading, happening on Friday, August 23rd at 10:10 a.m. in the Little Theater. We look forward to seeing you there!

*Affirmations and questions welcome. Contact Tobi Kassim or Danielle Harms.*

## OVERHEARD

"I should hold a craft class on Bread Loaf matchmaking. It will be called "Back That Craft Up.""

"I wish I brought socks to Bread Loaf."

"OH SHIT, Rasputin?!"

"I have a big square hole."

"I am a walking overheard section."

"I am the Old Bat and the Sea."

*Keep sending these in! We love them! We love you!*

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## Tiny HORRORSCOPES



ARIES

Haunted mirror



LIBRA

BATS



TAURUS

Talking cat



SCORPIO

Fake blood



GEMINI

Vampire bunny



SAG.

Mysterious groans



CANCER

Slime



CAP.

Cobwebby castle



LEO

Goth wedding



AQU.

Zombie mermaid



VIRGO

Fluttering curtains



PISCES

Clowns