

Wesley McNair

Archived Events 2008

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2008 [Reading of "The Future," by Wesley McNair, on Garrison Keillor's Writer's Almanac. National Public Radio, 9 a.m. in Maine.](#)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 - 11, 2008 Poem of the week, "Losing My Hair," with audio, featured by Robert Pinsky on [Slate](#) magazine, online.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2008 Keynote speech at the third annual Dean's List Dinner, 5:30 pm, in the North Dining Hall, University of Maine at Farmington. Contact Wendy Orosz at 207-778-7035.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2008 Interview about poetry on Public Access Television, Franklin County area, 2-3 pm. Contact Ruth Evans, 645-3299.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2008 Presentation, "My Life as a Poet," 7 pm at the University of Maine at Presque Isle, Presque Isle, Maine. Contact Cathie Pelletier at cathpell@aol.com.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2008 Australian Broadcasting Network radio broadcast of McNair's poem "The Before People." To listen, visit <http://www.abc.net.au/rn/poetica/>, where the poem will be available throughout the month.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2008 Performance of "Driving in Maine," a musical composition by Nancy Gunn based on four McNair poems: "Driving North in Winter," "Glass Night," "What They Are," "Where I Live." 2 p.m., Nordica Auditorium. Performance will be preceded by a discussion of their collaboration by Gunn and McNair, with Philip Carlson moderating. Contact Nancy Gunn at nancy.gunn@maine.edu.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2008 Reading and presentation about poetry at the University of Maine at Fort Kent, 7 p.m. Contact Cathie Pelletier for details, at cathpell@aol.com.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2008 April 11 Appearance with fellow contributors at book launch of The Healing Touch, a hospice anthology edited by Richard Russo, at the Waterville Area Hospice Volunteers Center on 304 Main Street, Waterville, Maine, from 4 - 6 pm. Contact Rosemary Herbert at rherbert@downeast.com.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2008 Reading and class visits with student writers at Derryfield Academy, Manchester, NH. Contact Bob Cole, at bcole@derryfield.org.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2008 Keynote speaker for the New Hampshire Writers Project's "Writers Day."
Contact Barbara Yoder, at b.yoder@nhwritersproject.org.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2008 Workshop with poetry prompts, judging of poetry slam and reading, times TBA. Keene State College, Keene, NH.
Contact Katherine St. Martin, at kstmartin@ksc.mailcruiser.com.

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2008 Reading with Bill Roorbach from new anthology *The Healing Touch, Stories of Life, Death and Hospice*, edited by Richard Russo, at 7 pm in the Farmington Public Library.

FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2008 Awards and remarks with fellow judges Linda Greenlaw and Richard Russon at the Governor's Young Writers Luncheon and Ceremony, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2008 Gathering of writers represented in the hospice anthology *A Healing Touch* at the Fieldstone Gardens in Vassalboro, Maine, 10-3 (Wesley McNair and Bill Roorbach, from 1-2).
Contact Dale Marie Clark, 207-873-3615 x 13
Alternative Date: Sunday, June 22, 2008

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2008 Reading at 8 pm in Somesville, Maine, at the Port-in-a-Storm Bookstore by Gerry Boyle, Sandy Phippen and Susan Hand Shetterly, contributors to the newly published anthology of essays, *A Place Called Maine*, edited by Wesley McNair.

TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2008 Reading of poems, 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, Ocean Park, ME.
Contact Ted Poland, at 207-934-5090.

THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2008 Reading at 7 pm in Farmington, Maine, at the Farmington Public Library by Alice Bloom and Robert Kimber, contributors to *A Place Called Maine*, an anthology of essays edited by Wesley McNair.

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2008 Reading at 7 pm in Castine, Maine, at the Unitarian/Universalist church on the green by Robert Kimber and Susan Hand Shetterly, contributors to *A Place Called Maine*, edited by Wesley McNair.

TUESDAY, JULY 29, 2008 Reading from *A Place on Water* at the Gold leaf Institute, the senior college at the University of Maine at Farmington, with Robert Kimber and Bill Roorbach, 1-2 pm, followed by a visit to Drury Pond.
Contact goldleaf@maine.edu.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2008 Reading of poetry at the Belgrade Center for All Seasons, Belgrade Village, Maine, 7 p.m.
Contact Maureen at newmanpratt@verizon.net.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2008 Reading from anthology of essays edited by Wesley McNair, *A Place Called Maine*, at noon in the Portland Public Library's Brown Bag authors series: Monica Wood, Bill Roorbach and Wesley McNair.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2008 *My Life as a Poet*, by Wesley McNair, an autobiography with slides featuring photographs, letters from mentors, manuscript revisions and other autobiographical oddments showing a life and how poems were made from it (all slides derived from the McNair Archive at Colby College).
Presentation and reception In the Special Collections wing of Baker Library, 4 p.m.