Kick-Off Poetry and Music Event
April 1, 2015 at 1 pm
Edwin and Mary Meader Room, Waldo Library

Readers:

Hedy Habra has earned an MA and MFA in English and an MA and PhD in Spanish literature from WMU. She is the author of Tea in Heliopolis, which won the USA Best Book Award for Poetry. Her work appears in numerous journals and anthologies, including Poet Lore, The Bitter Oleander, Blue Fifth Review, Verse Daily and Nimrod.

Kimberly Kolbe is the Managing Editor of WMU's literary publisher New Issues Poetry & Prose. She is a graduate of the MFA program at Western Michigan University, where she was poetry editor for Third Coast.

Joe Reish is the Dean of University Libraries, professor of French, Chevalier des Palmes Academiques. Dean Reish reads poetry of Thomas Merton. The April release of a book on the monk’s spirituality displays his cover photographic art.

Margaret von Steinen is the Communications Officer of the Haenicke Institute for Global Education. She is a graduate of WMU's MFA program in creative writing and her poetry has appeared in Poetry International, Naugatuck River Review, Poetica Magazine, Cutthroat, Third Wednesday, Voices of Michigan, Encore magazine and the Poets Against War website.

Marianne Swierenga is the Coordinator of Metadata and Digital Resources in the University Libraries. She is a graduate of WMU's MFA program in creative writing and former Managing Editor of New Issues Poetry & Prose.

McKenzie Tozan is an MFA candidate in poetry at WMU, where she is the Layout & Design Editor and a reader for New Issues Poetry & Prose and an Assistant Poetry Editor for Third Coast. She graduated from Indiana University South Bend where she was Managing Editor for 42 Miles Press.

Graduate Wind Quintet will perform: Carmen Ritchie, flute; Kayla Pingel, oboe; Elisabeth Waldburger, clarinet; Jennifer Kempe, horn; Laura Diaz, bassoon

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