

## RICHHOND POETRY FEST

APRIL 12+ 13, 2024 | VISUAL ARTS CENTER OF RICHMOND

The 2nd Annual Richmond Poetry Fest was co-created by VisArts staff and a group of former and current writers-in-residence! A celebration of poetry and community, Richmond Poetry Fest will include readings, workshops, activities for poets and artists of all ages, and vendors. Join us on the evening of Friday, April 12th, 6:30-8pm for a kick-off event of spoken word performances by the Writers' Den and then keep the party going with a day-long community event on Saturday, April 13th, 10am-5:00pm, concluding with a special event, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

I LOVE YOU AND I WANTED, An Evening of Poetry.

Richmond Poetry Fest is a FREE community event supported by the Carole Weinstein Endowment for Creative Writing

FRIDAY: SPOKEN WORD | THE WRITER'S DEN

6:30 - 8 PM | DOMINION ENERGY ROOM

An evening of Spoken Word performances by the Writer's Den

SATURDAY: POETRY FEST EVENING OF POETRY

**Readings:** Featuring local poets, VisArts writing teachers and students, Poetry for Palestine, Panel on publishing Poetry, performance by Slam Champion Ayanna Florence + Drag Story hour, conclude with a special event, 5:30-7:30 p.m. **I LOVE YOU AND I WANTED**, An Evening of Poetry.

**Activities:** Black out poetry, paint chip poetry, screen-printing t-shirts and totes, button making and ekphrastic poems

Workshops: 9 FREE Workshops in poetry comics, songwriting, Japanese forms, spoken word, zine-making, and persona poems + poetry for absolute beginners Vendors: Richmond Zine Fest, Richmond Public Library, Poe Museum, James River Writers, Diode Editions, Lost Arcana Cards, Charlottesville Poem Store and ARGS. Shop local with vendors such as Shelf Life Books, JustSeed and VisArts!



