

***Moonstruck with Manzanita* Literary Festival**

**Ironstone Vineyards, Murphys, CA
Heritage Room**

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Date: Saturday, August 13, 2011

Time: 11 AM to 4 PM

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There's a Literary Renaissance of writing and publishing happening in the Mother Lode and Sierra!

Manzanita Writers Press and Ironstone Vineyards are hosting a large, free literary festival in the Sierra Foothills, and we want you to take part.

The public is invited to help celebrate the explosion of new writing in our region. Calaveras' Writers Unlimited members and the broader spectrum of Manzanita Writers who have appeared in the Manzanita publications over the years will share their new writing with the audience.

Writers of the Mother Lode, Sierra, San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys, Bay Area, Yosemite, El Dorado and other foothill and mountain counties, will showcase their new works. There will be music, fine words and laughter emanating from the ***Heritage Room***, with wine tasting at the nearby tasting room, wine sold by the glass at the reading, and all manner of merry-making to celebrate Manzanita writers' new works and foothill authors' writing.

The Manzanita writers and affiliates are invited to participate in the scheduled afternoon readings, signings, and networking with the public. Open mic time is scheduled for the public to strut their writing talent as well.

Readers at the mic are invited to bring a poem or two, or short fiction (1,000 words max.), to share with the audience in a relaxed, fun atmosphere. Authors will have their books available for the public at the book table.

Manzanita-affiliated authors should contact Manzanita Writers Press for a reading slot.

RSVP by August 7. Contact Monika, editor of MWP at mrosemanza@jps.net ~ Phone: 209-754-0577.

***Featured writers:* Writers Unlimited members, Manzanita Writers Press authors, Manzanita contributors to various Manzanita volumes including the most recent book, *Wild Edges*.**

Writers showcased, with more to add to the lineup within the week, will be:

Monika Rose, Linda Field, Kathy Boyd Fellure, and the Amador Fiction Writers Critique Group, Glenn Wasson, Dave Self, Lou Gonzalez, Jennifer Tristano, Ted Laskin, Amy Smith, Gail Withuhn, R.M. ArceJaeger, Ron Pickup, Kathie Isaac-Luke, Daniel Williams from Wawona, Kevin Arnold from San Jose, Pam Dunn, Shelley Muniz, Cynthia Kumanchik, Durlynn Anema, Kimberly Norton, Jackie Richmond, Zoe Keithley, Jackie Rogers, Yosemite poets reading from their new anthology by Scrub Jay Press (meet the publisher), Sacramento Poetry Center poets, Stockton poets, Brigit Truex, and the Red Fox Underground poets, and many more lining up for the celebration.

Meet the staff of Manzanita Writers Press, an affiliate of the Calaveras County Arts Council ~ Monika Rose, Joy Roberts, Linda Field, Kathy Boyd Fellure, R.M. ArceJaeger, and Ted Laskin

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