

Poets in Conversation: A Zoom Poetry Series Hosted by Phyllis Klein

Join these esteemed poets for an hour and a half of poetry and conversation as the Pandemic and other difficulties trample on. Our aim is to connect and support, reaching a wide-ranging audience.

Tenth Installment: Terry Ehret and William O'Daly

Saturday, September 25, 2021 at 4PM Pacific Time **RSVP** to poetry@phyllispoetry.com



William O'Daly, translator of eight books of the late-career and posthumous poetry of Chilean Nobel laureate Pablo Neruda, and most recently Neruda's first volume, *Book of Twilight*, a finalist for the 2018 Northern California Book Award in Translation. O'Daly's chapbooks of poems include *The Whale in the Web*, also published by Copper Canyon, as well as *The Road to Isla Negra*; *Water Ways*, a collaboration with JS Graustein; and *Yarrow and Smoke*. A National Endowment for the Arts Fellow, O'Daly was a finalist for the 2006 Quill Award in Poetry and has been chosen to receive the

2021 English Language Literary Award from the Korean-American journal *Miju Poetry and Poetics*. A four-time Pushcart Prize nominee, his poems, translations, essays, and reviews have been published in numerous journals and as part of multimedia exhibits and performances. He has received national and regional honors for literary editing and instructional design and served on the national board of Poets Against War. He currently is Lead Writer for the California Water Plan, the state's strategic plan for sustainably and equitably managing water resources. A lifelong hiker, particularly in the Sierra Nevada and along the California coast, he flows wherever the lakes and the rivers speak his name.



Terry Ehret is a poet, teacher, translator, and one of the founders of Sixteen Rivers Press, a regional publishing collective run by and for poets, and named for the rivers that feed the San Francisco Bay Watershed. She earned a BA from Stanford University and an MA from San Francisco State University. She has published four collections of poetry: *Lost Body* (1993), *Translations from the Human Language* (2001), *Lucky Break* (2008), and *Night Sky Journey* (2011). Literary awards include the National Poetry Series, California Book Award, Pablo Neruda Poetry Prize, Northern California Book Award for California Poetry in Translation, seven Pushcart Prize nominations, and an NEA Translation Fellowship. She is currently working on a three-volume bilingual edition of the collected published poems of Mexican poet Ulalume González de León. From 2004-2006, she

served as the poet laureate of Sonoma County where she lives and teaches private workshops. She likes to get out of the Bay Area to the Sierra for hiking, cross-country skiing, and kayaking at Serene Lakes, where she and her husband have a tiny A-frame cabin, if the powers of wind and fire have spared it. And when COVID subsides, she will once again lead summer travel writing trips in Ireland, Wales, and Tuscany.