

CONNECTICUT POETRY CIRCUIT

2013 2014



FALL 2013 Steve Straight

October 14-November 1, 2013

Steve Straight is the author of two full-length collections of poetry, most recently *The Almanac*. Billy Collins praises Straight as “a poet of everyday experience whose disarmingly casual voice can lead the reader into deeper waters of insight and modest epiphanies.” And George Bilgere writes that “to see the world through Steve Straight’s eyes is to see it anew. And isn’t this what we ask of the best poetry?” Straight’s previous collection, *The Water Carrier*, was featured on the nationally syndicated radio program “The Writer’s Almanac with Garrison Keillor.” For many years Straight directed the Connecticut Poetry Circuit, and for many summers he directed the Seminar Series for the Sunken Garden Poetry Festival. In 1998 he was named a Distinguished Advocate for the Arts by the Connecticut Commission on the Arts. Steve Straight is a professor of English and director of the poetry program at Manchester Community College.

For scheduling information for Steve Straight, please contact James Gentile.

SPRING 2014 Connecticut Student Poets January 27-March 7, 2014

The Connecticut Student Poets are selected by the Circuit Selection Committee. Each college is invited to nominate one student poet. Five pages of poetry by the poet must reach the Circuit Director by **October 18, 2013**. The finalists will be announced in December.

**Students must be nominated by their college.
For more information, please see
your campus representative.**

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**Connecticut Poetry Circuit Selection Committee:
Dick Allen, Randall Horton, Clare Rossini, Kate Rushin,
and Vivian Shipley.**

Connecticut Poetry Circuit Director:

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In 1964 the New England Poetry Circuit was formed at the request of The Academy of American Poets in order to provide colleges with readings by fine poets. In 1968 it split in two, and the Connecticut Poetry Circuit came into being. These professional poets have toured the Circuit:

Dick Allen	Irving Feldman	Daryl Hine	Brad Leithauser	Adrienne Rich	George Starbuck
A.R. Ammons	David Ferry	Edward Hirsch	J.D. McClatchy	Clare Rossini	Ruth Stone
Jack B. Bedell	Brendan Galvin	John Hollander	Sandra McPherson	Kate Rushin	Mark Strand
Frank Bidart	George Garrett	Richard Howard	William Meredith	Mary Jo Salter	Robert Sward
Kim Bridgford	Jean Garrigue	Barbara Howes	James Merrill	Gjertrud Schnackenberg	May Swenson
Kurt Brown	Margaret Gibson	Richard Hugo	Robert Mezey	Lloyd Schwartz	James Tate
Turner Cassitty	Maria Mazziotti Gillan	David Ignatow	Judith Moffett	James Scully	Natasha Trethewey
Amy Clampitt	Benjamin Grossberg	Mark Jarman	Marilyn Nelson	Tim Seibles	Diane Wakoski
Jane Cooper	Thom Gunn	Allison Joseph	Bink Noll	Charles Simic	Derek Walcott
Alfred Corn	Rachel Hadas	Donald Justice	Linda Pastan	Louis Simpson	David Walker
Kate Daniels	Michael Harper	X.J. Kennedy	John Peck	Jeffrey Skinner	Charles Wright
Theodore Deppe	Jeffrey Harrison	Richard Kenney	Robert Pinsky	Tom Sleigh	
Mark Doty	Anthony Hecht	Galway Kinnell	Katha Pollitt	William Jay Smith	
Martín Espada	William Heyen	Thomas Kinsella	F.D. Reeve		

The first group of student poets traveled around the state during the winter of 1970. These writers have been named Connecticut Student Poets:

1970 Raymond Biasotti, <i>University of Bridgeport</i> Gayles Jones, <i>Connecticut College</i> Stephen Policoff, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Daniel Santhouse, <i>University of Connecticut</i>	1983 Cheryl Egolf Bouteneff, <i>Central Connecticut</i> Barbara Browning, <i>Yale University</i> Francis Xavier Drapeau, <i>Fairfield University</i> Ted Lord, <i>Trinity College</i> Doug Swift, <i>University of Bridgeport</i>	1995 Peter Gwiazda, <i>Southern Connecticut</i> Rosemary Hutzler, <i>Yale University</i> Jaime McGrath, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Michael O'Sullivan, <i>Western Connecticut</i> Bret Sparling, <i>Wesleyan University</i>	2006 Kathline Fitch, <i>Northwestern Connecticut Community College</i> Jacob Peter Overdurf, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Lisa San Pascual, <i>Trinity College</i> Katherine Thorpe, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Ivy. Y. Wang, <i>Yale University</i>
1971 D.W. Donzella, <i>University of Bridgeport</i> Theodore James Guhl, <i>Central Connecticut</i> John Paul Maynard, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Don Shambroom, <i>Yale University</i>	1984 Kaci Kinne, <i>Connecticut College</i> Dale Mantaugas, <i>Trinity College</i> Lisa Mierzejewski, <i>Central Connecticut</i> Mark Schafer, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Claude Solnik, <i>Southern Connecticut</i>	1996 Joseph Gamble, <i>Trinity College</i> Rebecca Lesnik, <i>Yale University</i> Gabrielle Marcus, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Mark McDonald, <i>Eastern Connecticut</i> Christina Monti, <i>St. Joseph College</i>	2007 Loren Davis, <i>Trinity College</i> Rebecca Dinerstein, <i>Yale University</i> Molly Mellinger, <i>Fairfield University</i> Jeffrey Schultz, <i>Southern Connecticut State University</i> Kelly Whinnem, <i>Manchester Community College</i>
1972 Leonard Marcus, <i>Yale University</i> Sarah Meisner, <i>Manchester Community College</i> Catherine Royce, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Raja Changez Sultan, <i>Trinity College</i>	1985 James Aquilino, <i>South Central Community College</i> Thomas Curtis, <i>Connecticut College</i> Mara Eilenberg, <i>Trinity College</i> Carol Foster, <i>Hartford College for Women</i>	1997 Ann Keating, <i>Connecticut College</i> Rob MacDonald, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Ciara McDermott, <i>Fairfield University</i> Michael Schiavo, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Alice Williams, <i>Asnuntuck Community College</i>	2008 Tess Bird, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Lisa Butler, <i>Manchester Community College</i> Chiara DiLello, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Taylor Katz, <i>Connecticut College</i> Tyler Theofilos, <i>Yale University</i>
1973 Rika Lesser, <i>Yale University</i> Frank Levering, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Shelly Strohm, <i>Manchester Community College</i> Chase Twichell, <i>Trinity College</i>	1986 Meg Bishop, <i>Trinity College</i> Jane Mendelsohn, <i>Yale University</i> Anne Minicozzi, <i>University of Hartford</i> Ralph Savarese, <i>Wesleyan University</i>	1998 Hank Gromelski, <i>Manchester Community College</i> Jocelyn M. Jones, <i>Trinity College</i> Natasha Le Bel, <i>Yale University</i> Jennifer MacKenzie, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Kate Umans, <i>Connecticut College</i>	2009 Matthew Gilbert, <i>University of Hartford</i> Jordan Jacks, <i>Yale University</i> Susanna Myrseth, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Sarah Nichols, <i>Tunxis Community College</i> Katherine Rowe, <i>Albertus Magnus College</i>
1974 Elizabeth Egloff, <i>Trinity College</i> Peter Kerr-Jarett, <i>Yale University</i> Jerry McGuire, <i>Middlesex Community College</i> David Weinstock, <i>Wesleyan University</i>	1987 John Hamlett Barker, <i>Yale University</i> Joseph Pandolfo, <i>Eastern Connecticut</i> Mary Kane, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Karin Schalm, <i>Wesleyan University</i>	1999 Kate Foran, <i>Manchester Community-Technical College</i> Claire Fuqua, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Aracelis Girmay, <i>Connecticut College</i> Brandy McKenzie-Becker, <i>Southern Connecticut</i> Stephanie Tyburski, <i>University of Connecticut</i>	2010 John Dudek, <i>University of Hartford</i> Katherine Orazem, <i>Yale University</i> Kristina Rocha, <i>Trinity College</i> Caitlin Scott, <i>Connecticut College</i>
1975 Michael Collier, <i>Connecticut College</i> Diderik-Finne, <i>Yale University</i> Binnie Klein, <i>University of Bridgeport</i> James Stefon, <i>Mohegan Community College</i>	1988 Nan Cohen, <i>Yale University</i> Anne de Kay, <i>Mohegan Community College</i> Claudi Grandi, <i>Manchester Community College</i> Antonio Jocson, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Susan Pfeil, <i>University of Bridgeport</i>	2000 Jake Hunter, <i>Trinity College</i> Tracey Lander, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Harmony Scaglione, <i>Southern Connecticut</i> Katie Theroux, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Anna Ziegler, <i>Yale University</i>	2011 Luisa Caycedo-Kimura, <i>Southern Connecticut State University</i> Kate Lund, <i>Yale University</i> Tim Pettus, <i>University of Hartford</i> Hannah Watkins, <i>Middlesex Community College</i> Joe Welch, <i>University of Connecticut</i>
1976 Robin Green, <i>University of Bridgeport</i> Dean Holmes, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Melinda Kahn, <i>Yale University</i> Philip Paradis, <i>Central Connecticut</i>	1989 Adina Hoffman, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Sung-San Hong, <i>Trinity College</i> Monica Prasad, <i>Yale University</i> Jon Stambaugh, <i>University of Bridgeport</i>	2001 Eric G. Amling, <i>University of Hartford</i> Jason Labbe, <i>Southern Connecticut</i> Joan Malerba-Foran, <i>Trinity College</i> Lauren Mitchell, <i>Connecticut College</i> Alexandra Smith, <i>Wesleyan University</i>	2012 Leslie Ahlstrand, <i>Trinity College</i> Andrea Amulic, <i>Connecticut College</i> Jared Coffin, <i>Southern Connecticut State University</i> Jemel Nejaime, <i>Manchester Community College</i> Felicity Sheehy, <i>Yale University</i>
1977 Nina George, <i>Connecticut College</i> Starry Schor, <i>Yale University</i> Nina Shengold, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Elizabeth Tyson, <i>Trinity College</i>	1990 Hanneli Ansel, <i>Mohegan Community College</i> Larry Berger, <i>Yale University</i> Robin Delman, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Kimberly Peters, <i>Trinity College</i> Khan Wong, <i>University of Connecticut</i>	2002 Geoffrey Babbitt, <i>Connecticut College</i> Lucia Mary Halle, <i>Wesleyan University</i> David Gorin, <i>Yale University</i> Edward Moran, <i>Albertus Magnus College</i> Sumitra Ratneshwar, <i>Univ. of Connecticut</i>	2013 Allegra Berndt, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Emma Phillips, <i>Trinity College</i> Elizabeth Norton Sallee, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Amanda Schoen, <i>University of Hartford</i> Amelia Urry, <i>Yale University</i>
1978 Madelyn Flammia, <i>University of Bridgeport</i> Susan Jackman, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Mark Malone, <i>Western Connecticut</i> John Stanizzi, <i>Manchester Community College</i>	1991 Christine Holbo, <i>Yale University</i> Kristin W. Lee, <i>Connecticut College</i> Rose Mailhot, <i>Albertus Magnus College</i> Joan Menefee, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Lisa Sornberger, <i>Eastern Connecticut</i>	2003 Max Althoff, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Jason Farago, <i>Yale University</i> Ross Middleton, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Deborah Rossel, <i>Central Ct. State Univ.</i> Andrew Seguin, <i>Connecticut College</i>	
1979 Allan Garry, <i>Mohegan Community College</i> Langdon Hammer, <i>Yale University</i> Vincent Kay, <i>Central Connecticut</i> Judith Shaw, <i>Trinity College</i>	1992 Jon Andersen, <i>University of Connecticut</i> Angela Cusano, <i>Trinity College</i> Justine Dougherty, <i>Central Connecticut</i> Daniel Handler, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Jennifer Wilder, <i>Yale University</i>	2004 Greg Antonini, <i>Southern Connecticut</i> Melissa Mylchreest, <i>Connecticut College</i> Megan Pugh, <i>Yale University</i> Margaret Pritchard, <i>Trinity College</i> Christina Schenck, <i>Manchester Community College</i>	
1980 Carolyn Abbott, <i>Connecticut College</i> Jon Davis, <i>University of Bridgeport</i> Martha Hollander, <i>Yale University</i> Amy Pattullo, <i>Wesleyan University</i>	1993 Lawrence Fahey, <i>Manchester Community College</i> Elizabeth Joh, <i>Yale University</i> Rafael Oses, <i>University of Hartford</i> Becky Rodia, <i>Fairfield University</i> Patricia Sullivan, <i>Southern Connecticut</i>	2005 Joseph Clifford, <i>Central Connecticut State University</i> Laura Jo Hess, <i>Connecticut College</i> Will Hines, <i>Trinity College</i> Alexander Nemser, <i>Yale University</i> Justin Sider, <i>University of Connecticut</i>	
1981 Patricia Daddona, <i>Connecticut College</i> Nancy Kamm, <i>Manchester Community College</i> David Leavitt, <i>Yale University</i> Michael Lohnes, <i>Southern Connecticut</i> Maddy Scheinberg, <i>University of Bridgeport</i>	1994 Jack Brown, <i>University of Hartford</i> Monique Ethier-Yates, <i>Western Connecticut</i> David Greenberg, <i>Yale University</i> Paula Lathrop, <i>Trinity College</i> Margaret Nelson, <i>Wesleyan University</i>		
1982 Corinne Adler, <i>Wesleyan University</i> Robert Breen, <i>Fairfield University</i> Elena Vira, <i>Trinity College</i> Naomi Wolf, <i>Yale University</i>			