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## October 2012 - April 2013 Poet Laureate Program

During the transition of the poet laureate program, Caryn Mirriam-Goldberg is continuing on in the capacity as poet laureate. Following is a summary of her proposed programs for the next six months, and a budget.

### Proposed Programs

- **Collaborative Readings & Writing Circles:** Poetry Caravan tour for *To the Stars Through Difficulties: A Kansas Renga in 150 Voices* and community renga writing circle (workshops in which communities come together to write a collaborative poem about their town, its history and traditions). This includes helping organize readings December through April in up to 20 Kansas cities. The poetry caravan will include any of the 150 poets in the book, and the tour will include multiple stops in Western Kansas communities as well as the rest of the state.
- **Readings, Workshops & Talks:** Where requested throughout the state, including at schools, universities, community centers, conferences.
- **Poetry Month Activities:** including interactive writing prompts, podcasts or videos, and packets sent to arts and humanities centers throughout the state on how communities can set up their own writing circles.
- **150KansasPoems.wordpress.com:** Weekly writing contests or some similar activity, once the renga is finished being posted at the end of December.
- **Active Participation:** Helping KHC develop its poet laureate program, call for nominations/applications, and however else I can assist KHC in a smooth transition. Help plan and participate in a poet laureate transition event to name new poet laureate.
- **Social Media:** Continued blogs, podcasts, facebook postings and tweets related to poetry and the writing life.

### Budget

In the past, the poet laureate program was funded at \$5,000/annually, which included a poet laureate stipend, and funds for mileage, copying and mailing (from poet laureate), and related expenses. Here is a six month budget proposal:

Amount to allocate: \$2,500

Expenses:

Poet Laureate stipend: \$2,000

Expenses (including mileage and other expenses): \$500.

Expenses would need to be submitted to KHC as per expense reimbursement protocols