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And, finally, the festival wouldn't be possible without the participation of the *many fine poets*.

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# POETRY FESTIVAL



Opening Celebration: Readings & Reception

October 16, 2015, 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Flyleaf Books

## 6:30 Reception

- Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and wine.

## 7:00 Readings *introductions by Celisa Steele*

- Crystal Simone Smith
- Terry L. Kennedy
- Tsitsi Jaji
- Maria Roupail
- L. Lamar Wilson

## 8:00 Book Signing and Socializing

- Buy books to have the poets sign.

Tsitsi Jaji



Terry L. Kennedy



Crystal Simone Smith



Maria Roupail



L. Lamar Wilson



Comments appreciated! <http://westendpoetryfestival.org/eval-2015>



Ansel Elkins



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Reginald Dwayne Betts



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celebrating **10** years



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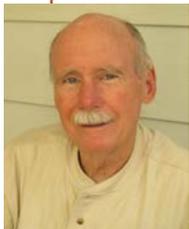
Barbara Middleton-Foushee



Glenna Wolfe Hurlbert



Bianca Diaz



Michael Gaspeny

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October 17, 2015  
Century Center

12:00 to 8:30 pm  
Downtown Carrboro

- 12:00** **The Intersection of Poetry and Politics** *reading and discussion* ▸ Reginald Dwayne Betts
- 1:30** **Favorite Poems from the Community** *facilitated by Jay Bryan* ▸ Rob Bowers ▸ Maria Antonia Garcia ▸ Barbara Middleton-Foushee ▸ Ellie Kinnaird ▸ Damon Seils
- 3:00** **Celebration, Milestones, and Marking Time in Poetry** *facilitated by Susan Spalt* ▸ Paul Deblinger ▸ Bianca Diaz ▸ Michael Gaspeny ▸ Glenna Wolfe Hurlbert ▸ Gideon Young
- 3:00** **Monstrous Masks: Experimenting with Persona in Poetry** *led by Ansel Elkins* ▸ This workshop, designed for high-school-age poets, will be held in room 2/3 of the Century Center.
- 4:30** **Open Mic** *facilitated by Maura High* ▸ Sign up between 12:00 and 4:30 for a chance to read a single poem, no longer than three minutes.
- 6:00** **Reception** ▸ Eat, drink, and visit with poets and lovers of poetry.
- 7:00** **Finale Readings** *introductions by Abigail Browning* ▸ Celisa Steele ▸ Ansel Elkins