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NEWS TIPS

SATURDAY, APRIL 6: AUTHOR READINGS, CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES, USED-BOOK SALE HIGHLIGHT LITFEST AT UD

Poets, authors and fans of all ages will gather for a celebration of words at the University of Dayton's second Litfest from **11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 6**, in the Ryan C. Harris Learning Teaching Center located on the lower level of Roesch Library on campus.

Activities for children ages 6 through 9 will begin with a writing workshop from **11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Trudy Krisher, author of *Spite Fences* and *Kathy's Hats: A Story of Hope*, will coordinate reading, writing and craft activities around a theme of hats. Literary games and crafts will be from **2 to 3 p.m.** followed by stories, poetry and music from **3 to 4 p.m.**

A used-book sale and poetry readings will run concurrently with children's activities in the LTC. Poets and authors will read from their works in 15-minute blocks from **noon to 5 p.m.** Scheduled readers are Herbert Woodward Martin, Susan Jelus, Shannon Doyne, Diane Kendig, Daniel Gray-Kontar, Michael Salinger, Drew Perfilio, Jim Dwyer, LeShawn Jackson, Will Clemens, John Drury, Terri Ford, Janet McAdams, Elinor Benedict, Deanna Pickard, Myrna Stone, David Petreman and Scott Woods.

At the end of the day Carmen Lee, host of the monthly poetry readings at BackChat Cafe in Yellow Springs, will host an adults-only poetry slam featuring nationally renowned slam champion Shane Koyczan from **8 p.m. to midnight** in the Kennedy Union Pub.

For more information, contact Litfest coordinator Nick Obis at (937) 229-2454 or via e-mail at obisnich@notes.udayton.edu. Author biographies and more information can be found on the Web at <http://www.as.udayton.edu/english/litfest>.