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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

Saturday, March 4th - State Finals, 2:00 p.m. at Peggy R. McDonnell Arts Center, Bronwynn Theatre, 777 Evening St., Worthington, Ohio.

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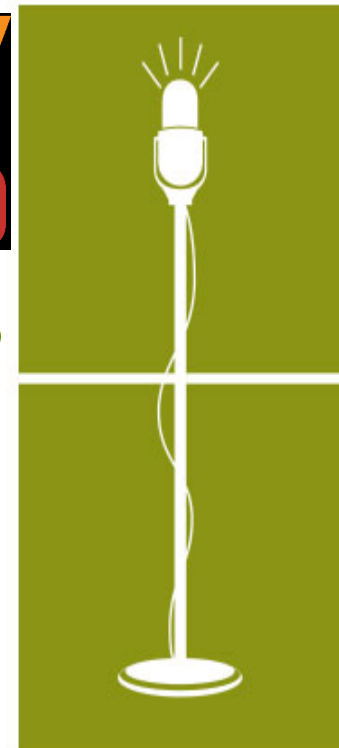


OHIO POETRY OUT LOUD

Northeast Region



SEMIFINALS



Saturday

February 25, 2017

2:00 p.m.

Ohio Center for the Book  
Cleveland Public Library  
325 Superior Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

2017

# AGENDA

## INTRODUCTION

**Amy E. Dawson, Manager, Literature Department and Ohio Center for the Book @ Cleveland Public Library**

## EMCEE

**Kisha Nicole Foster, Ohio Center for the Book Poetry Out Loud Fellow**

## RECITATIONS— ROUND ONE

## BREAK

## RECITATIONS— ROUND TWO

## PRESENTATIONS OF CERTIFICATES

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF STATE FINALISTS

### ABOUT POETRY OUT LOUD

Poetry Out Loud, the nation's largest youth poetry recitation competition, is presented by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation in partnership with the Ohio Arts Council.

The program encourages high school students to learn about great poetry, master public-speaking skills, build self-confidence, and study their literary heritage. Since 2005, Poetry Out Loud has grown to reach more than 3 million students and 50,000 teachers from 10,000 schools in every state, Washington, DC, the US Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico.

For more information about **Poetry Out Loud**, please visit [www.oac.ohio.gov.poetryoutloud](http://www.oac.ohio.gov.poetryoutloud) or contact the Ohio Arts Council at (614) 728-4481 or [katie.swett@oac.ohio.gov](mailto:katie.swett@oac.ohio.gov)

## POETRY OUT LOUD 2017 Northeast Regional Contestants

School	Student	Grade	Round 1 Poem	Round 2 Poem
Shaw High School	Gahmir Acy	10th Grade	The Childrens Hour	From Space to Time
St. Joseph Academy	Mary Simmons	12th Grade	I Felt a Funeral, In my Brain	Annabel Lee
Cleveland Heights High School	Sahil Angdembe	10th Grade	300 Goats	After a Rainstorm
Andrews Osborne Academy	Natalie Grace Sipula	10th Grade	I heard a Fly Buzz—when I died	The animals in that country
Medina High School	Paige Gibeault	10th Grade	The Larger	Personal
The Lyceum	Genevieve Urban	11th Grade	Hymn to God, My God, in my sickness	After the Winter
Ohio Virtual Academy	Lucy Antalek	12th Grade	The Angelfish Street Odysseus	The Albatross
Shaker Heights High School	Andrew Roth	12th Grade	It was not death, for I stood up	Dear Reader
Madison Comprehensive High School	Ethan Wilson	11th Grade	The Charge of the Light Brigade	I Am Learning to Abandon the World
Western Reserve Academy	Charlie Kolodziej	11th Grade	Happiness	From Blossoms