## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS & CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wildflower Press is requesting poets to enter their best poems about a flower, any flower. Cash prizes and publication for poems in any form or in free verse. Must not have been published. Must not be under consideration for publication elsewhere nor entered in any other contest. First prize: \$50, second prize: \$25, third prize: \$15. Put each poem on a separate page. Include your name, address, and contact information including email address if you have one, at the top of each page. Postmark deadline: June 30, 2010. The top three poems will be published on the Wildflower Press website and in a poetry broadside leaflet. Must include a SASE or an email address. If you have any questions please call Jeanne Shannon at 505-296-0691, or email at jspoetry@aol.com. Contest fee is \$3 per poem or three poems for \$5. Mail your entry to: The Wildflower Press, P. O. Box 4757, Albuquerque, NM, 87196-4757.

UNM Writer's Conference will be held in Taos, New Mexico from July 12 through July 18, 2010 with registration and Evening Opening Events starting on July 11th. There are many week long and week end workshops still available. To register for any workshops call (505) 277-5572 or email at taosconf@unm.edu. You can research the site by doing a search the web for UNM Writer's Conference, Taos Summer Writer's Conference.

The Duende Poetry Series has featured Poet's at the Anasazi Fields Winery from 3:00 pm through 5:00 pm on June 13th and September 12th, 2010. Free admission with many events, wine tasting and poetry. For more information you can call (505) 887-3062 or email at anasazificidswinery@att.net or check out the Anasazi Fields Winery Web site.

If you like to read your poetry at an Open Mic there is the Fixed & Free Poetry held every 4th Thursday of each month at the Garden Room at the Source, 3538 Anderson Ave. SE (SW corner of Cartisle & Anderson), Albuquerque, NM. Hosted by Billy Brown. Come and sign-up to read at 6:30 pm. Readings start at 7:00 pm sharp. There is a 5-minute limit on the open mic. The featured readers scheduled for 2010 are: April 22, Elaine Schwartz (Earth Day-Celebrating National Poetry Month); May 27, Kenneth Gumey; June 24, Sal Treppiedi; July 22, Gina Marselle; August 26, Karin Bardberry; September 23, Gary Brower; October 28, Greg Candela; November 25, Zack Kluckman (Thanksgiving Day, Gratitude Poems); December 23, Gary Chorre (Christmas Eve). If you would like to be a featured reader for the 2011 year; please contact Billy Brown at (505) 401-8139 or email him at welbert53@aol.com. Did you notice that there are four NMSPS members as featured readers. Let's support them on their featured night.

The Church of Beethoven is a one hour program with music and poetry held each Sunday at the Kosmos, 1715 5th Street NW, Albuquerque, NM. The 1 hour program begins promptly at 10:30 am. They usually open with a musical composition and followed by a reading from the Poet for the morning. Intermission takes the form of a two-minute "celebration of silence", and finally a substantial work of chamber music to end the performance. There is a suggested admission of \$15 per adult, @10 for students, and \$5 for children under 12 years. For more information you can check out the web site at www.churchofbeethoven.org.

Poetry contest: "A Room of Her Own", a foundation for women writers and artists by the Lighthouse Poetry Publications Prize. Award: \$1000 and publication of collection by Red Hen Press, Deadline: August 31, 2010 postmark. Page Limit: 48 to 96 pages. Fee: \$20 per entry. Announcement Date: December 15, 2010. Entry to be mailed to A Room Of Her Own, Attn.: To The Lighthouse PPP, P.O. Box 778, Placitas, NM 87043. For more information check out www.aroomofnerownfoundation.org, then hit swards.

For the biggest slam night of the year, check out the 2010 ABQ Grand Slam, Outpost Performance Space, 210 Yale SE, Albuquerque, NM. Saturday, April 3rd at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$5 for students, and Outpost Members. Hosted by HBO Def Poet Tim Stafford. For more information www.outpostspace.org/node/744.

Poetry contest: Indiana Review, \$1,000 Honorarium and Publication. Postmark Deadline: April 16, 2010. Reading Fee: \$15, includes a one-year subscription. All entries considered for publication. Send no more than three poems per entry, 15 pages maximum. Previously published works and works forthcoming elsewhere cannot be considered. Multiple entries okay, as long as separate reading fee is included with each entry. For more information www.indianareview.org/general/prizes/poetprizeguidelines10.html.

Check out the National Federation of State Poetry Societies, Inc. at <a href="https://www.nfsps.com">www.nfsps.com</a> and hit the Strophes On Line icon in the left-hand menu for other state contests. The January issue is still available until the April issue is posted. The New Mexico State Poetry Society for the 2010 Annual Poetry Contest should be announced in the April addition with a deadline entry date of 15 May 2010. More information about the NMSPS 2010 Annual Poetry Contest can be seen on page 6.