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Erie County Poet Laureate to offer poetry readings at Erie County Public Libraries

Erie, PA – Erie County Poet Laureate Chuck Joy will present the annual Erie County Poet Laureate reading at the Blasco Memorial Library and will offer free poetry readings and discussions at all four Erie County Public Library branches.

The annual reading will be offered April 15 at 7 p.m. in Hirt Auditorium at Blasco Memorial Library, 160 E. Front St.

The branch poetry readings will be presented at the following times and locations:

- April 6, 2 p.m. at Lincoln Community Center Branch Library at 1255 Manchester Road
- April 8, 6 p.m. at Edinboro Branch Library at 413 Plum St., Edinboro
- April 13, 2 p.m. at Iroquois Avenue Branch Library at 4212 Iroquois Ave.
- April 27, 2 p.m. at Millcreek Branch Library at 2088 Interchange Road, Suite 280

The programs are free, and no registration is necessary.

April is National Poetry Month, and attending a reading is the perfect way to enjoy local poetry and celebrate literature at your local library. All ages are welcome and are encouraged to bring questions for the poet laureate. Plus, bring your library card to check out books of poetry to enjoy at home.

Dr. Chuck Joy is the 2018-2019 Erie County Poet Laureate and a child psychiatrist. He is the poetry editor of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and the host of Poetry Tonight, a weekly open mic event in Erie. Learn more about him at www.chuckjoy.com.

For information on this and other programs, please visit events.erielibrary.org or call 814-451-6927.

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