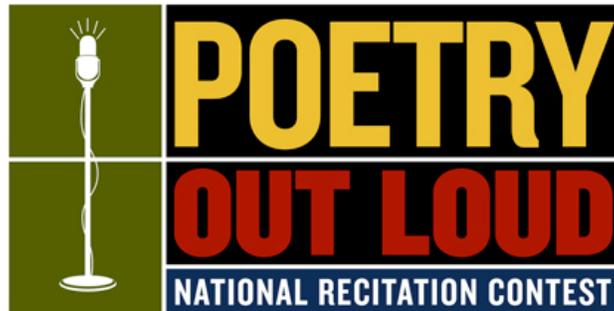


Connecticut Language Arts Teachers INVITATION

To Participate in



The Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism and The Connecticut Department of Education, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts & The Poetry Foundation, present the 3rd annual *Poetry Out Loud*.

Poetry Out Loud builds on the resurgence of poetry as an oral art form, as demonstrated by the slam poetry movement and the immense popularity of rap music among our youth. The program encourages the nation's youth to learn about great poetry through memorization and performance, which help students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and learn about our literary heritage.

Please join us for an informational meeting from 2:15 – 3:30 on:
Tuesday, September 25, 2007 at Cooperative Educational Services, Trumbull or
Wednesday, September 26 at Rockville High School, Vernon

"Poetry recitation takes black ink and white paper and infuses both with color."

~ Sandra Geres, Teacher, Rockville High School, Connecticut

"Poetry Out Loud pushes students to truly explore and experience poetry – not just read it"

~Lauren Brian, Teacher, Avon High School

For more detail or to register for the informational sessions, email program manager Bonnie Koba: bonnie.koba@ct.gov before September 20, 2007.



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