



Formal Poetry Class Series

Class Dates:

- ◆ February 8
- ◆ February 15
- ◆ February 22
- ◆ March 1
- ◆ March 8
- ◆ March 15
- ◆ March 22
- ◆ March 29

All classes held on
Thursdays from
6:30 - 8:00 PM

Location: 220
North Hall*

Cost: \$100
(fee covers materials cost)

Download the
[registration form](#) on
the OLLI website or
call (319)384-4222
to request a form
by mail

*Public parking available
in North Campus Ramp at
the North end of Madison
Street

Enjoy poetry, old and new, through an examination of form: poems that keep the form, poems that are haunted by it, and poems that break it. Weekly class activities will include writing formal poems and reading examples of each form.

Participants will read and write:

- ◆ Sonnets
- ◆ Elegies
- ◆ Haiku
- ◆ Prose poems
- ◆ Psalms and nocturne
- ◆ Villanelle
- ◆ Odes and ballads

The class will also identify and assume less traditional forms of poetry, such as liner notes, recipes, jokes, quartets, bumper stickers and email. A few poems will be workshopped during each class.

Everyone age 50 and over is welcome in this poetry class -- from novices and those who haven't read poetry since high school to published poets.

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