

JANUARY 2012

1/19/2012, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. – “Poetry Tasting.” Mini-readings by new and “vintage” local talent. No cover charge. At [C'est Le Vin](#), 15 N. 17th St., 804-649-9463.

1/19/2012, 8:00 p.m. – “VCU Visiting Writers Series,” featuring Elizabeth Hand reading her latest novel **Available Dark**. Sponsored by VCU English Department and MFA Program. Free and open to the public. At VCU Commons, Richmond Salons. For more information call 804-828-1329 or visit <http://www.has.vcu.edu/eng>.

1/21/2012, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. – “Project Feedback.” Bring a 3 minute excerpt of your work for review. At the [Virginia Writers Club Richmond Chapter](#) meeting. Location: Gayton Baptist Church, 13501 N. Gayton Rd. For more information contact Linda Layne at VWCMail@aol.com.

1/21/2012, 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. – “Agile Writers Seminar.” Finish your first draft in 6 months! Cost: Free (normally \$35). At Martin’s Food Market, 11361 Midlothian Turnpike. For more information visit [Agile Writers Meetup](#), email agilewriters@thinkable.us, or call 804-986-2985.

1/21/2012, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – Jody Rathgeb signs **Fish-Eye Lens**. At [Book People](#), 536 Granite Avenue, 804-288-4346.

1/21/2012, 2:00 p.m. – “Y. A. Saturdays.” Miranda Kinneally presents her latest novel **Catching Jordan**. At [Fountain Bookstore](#), 1312 E. Cary St., 804-788-1594.

1/21/2012, 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. - SlamRichmond’s “Poetry Slam Workshop and Open Mic.” Every Saturday night. At Artspace Gallery, 31 E 3rd St., 804-232-6464. For more details visit <http://www.myspace.com/slamrichmond>.

1/22/2012, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – “Agile Writers Meeting.” Sarah Norkus, author of **The Eleventh Summer**, speaks on publishing. Free and open to the public. At Martin’s Food Market, 11361 Midlothian Turnpike. For more information visit [Agile Writers Meetup](#), email agilewriters@thinkable.us, or call 804-986-2985.

1/25/2012, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. – “Books on Broad,” featuring Ava Farmer, author of **Second Impressions**. Light refreshments available. Free and open to the public. Limited free parking under the library. At [The Library of Virginia](#), 800 E. Broad St., 804-692-3500.

1/25/2012, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – The Virginia Screenwriters' Forum meets monthly (except July, August and December) at [Art Works](#). VSF offers support and constructive feedback to screenwriters. Member scripts have been made into movies, a PBS documentary, and optioned by major production companies. Aspiring screenwriters are welcome. To attend email vsf@comcast.net. Website: [The Virginia Screenwriters' Forum](#).

1/25/2012, 7:00 p.m. – Former First Lady of Virginia Roxane Gilmore presents and signs her book **Restoring the Virginia Governor’s House**. Free and open to the public. Sponsored by Friends of Twin Hickory Library. At Twin Hickory Library, 5001 Twin Hickory Rd., 804-290-9200 ext. 5.

1/26/2012, 12:00 p.m. – Professor Maurie D. McInnis presents *Slaves Waiting for Sale: Abolitionist Art and the American Slave Trade*. Part of the Banner Lecture Series. Admission \$6 Adults/\$5 Seniors /\$4 Children & Students/Free to VHS members. Free parking available. At The Virginia Historical Society, 428 N. Boulevard, 804-358-4901, http://www.vahistorical.org/news/lectures_banner.htm.

1/26/2012, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – This month's "The Writing Show" covers "Shelf Life: How Savvy Authors Woo Booksellers and Readers." Panelists: Kristin Keith, Julie Schoerke, and Kelly Justice. Moderator: Rebecca Joines Schinsky. Presented by JRW. Tickets \$10 in advance/\$12 at the door/\$5 students with valid ID. At [Children's Museum of Richmond](#), 2626 W. Broad St., 804-474-7000. To register click here [The Writing Show](#).

1/28/2012, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – "[Agile Writers Social Media Marketing Group](#)" Free and open to all. At Martin's Food Market, 2250 John Rolfe Hwy. For other Agile Writers Events see [Agile Writers Meetup](#), email agilewriters@thinkable.us, or call 804-986-2985.

1/28/2012, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. – "Write Now! Mini Writing Marathon." Chocolate provided! Cost \$40. A portion of proceeds benefits Richmond Young Writers. To reserve your spot email valleyhaggard@gmail.com. Please make check payable to Valley Haggard and mail to 1202 Hillside Ave, Richmond, VA 23229. At [Chop Suey Books](#), 2913 W. Cary St., 804-422-8066.

1/28/2012, 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. - SlamRichmond's "Poetry Slam Workshop and Open Mic." Every Saturday night. At Artspace Gallery, 31 E 3rd St., 804-232-6464. For more details visit <http://www.myspace.com/slamrichmond>.

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2/2/2012, 10:00 a.m. – "Groundhog Day Celebration." At [Fountain Bookstore](#), 1312 E. Cary St., 804-788-1594.

2/3/2012, 7:00 p.m. – Authors Rebecca Elizabeth Jones (book, lyrics) and Paul Robert Bartsch (score, lyrics) discuss their latest musical "Hearts Online." At [Richmond Public Library](#), Main Branch, 101 E. Franklin St.

2/4/2012, 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. - SlamRichmond's "Poetry Slam Workshop and Open Mic." Every Saturday night. At Artspace Gallery, 31 E 3rd St., 804-232-6464. For more details visit <http://www.myspace.com/slamrichmond>.

2/6/2012, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. – Rosemary Rawlins shares stories from her memoir *Learning by Accident*. Free and open to the public. Registration required at [Osher Special Events](#). At University of Richmond, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, 28 Westhampton Way.

2/8/2012, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. - "Writers Wednesday." JRW hosts a casual meet and greet for writers of all genres every second Wednesday. February: at [Capital Ale House Innsbrook](#), 4024-A Cox Road, Glen Allen, 804-780-2537.

2/8/2012, 7:00 p.m. – David A. Price presents and signs *Love and Hate in Jamestown*. Free and open to the public. Sponsored by Friends of Twin Hickory Library. At Twin Hickory Library, 5001 Twin Hickory Rd., 804-290-9200 ext. 5.

2/8/2012, 8:00 – 10:00 p.m. – “The End Hunger Slam,” presented by [Slam Nahuatl](#). General admission \$15/Competing poets \$5. Goal: feed 7 local needy families for one year. To purchase tickets click [End Hunger Slam](#). At [SPARC](#). 2106 N. Hamilton St., 804-353-3393.

2/9/2012, 8:00 p.m. – “VCU Visiting Writers Series.” Linda Gregerson reads excerpts from *Magnetic North*, and Darin Strauss presents *Half a Life*. Sponsored by VCU English Department and MFA Program. Free and open to the public. At VCU Commons. For more information call 804-828-1329 or visit <http://www.has.vcu.edu/eng>.

2/11/2012, 12:00 p.m. – Daniel Shearin signs *No Good Deed*. At Barnes & Noble, Short Pump, 11640 W. Broad St., 804-360-0103.

2/11/2012, 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. – SlamRichmond’s “Poetry Slam Workshop and Open Mic.” Every Saturday night. At Artspace Gallery, 31 E 3rd St., 804-232-6464. For more details visit <http://www.myspace.com/slamrichmond>.

2/12/2012, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. – “2nd Sunday Poetry.” Open mic readings and roundtable discussion. At art 6 Gallery, 6 E. Broad Street, 804-343-1406, <http://www.art6.org/>. Contact Shann Palmer for information 804-335-9403 or shannp@gmail.com).

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2/13/2012, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – The [Richmond Playwrights Forum](#) meets monthly at Barksdale Theatre Willow Lawn. Members share works and discuss playwriting. RPF is open to all and welcomes your participation as voice actors or active listeners. To learn more email Margie Langston margie.langston@yahoo.com.

2/15/2012, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. – Jill Titus presents *Brown’s Battleground: Students, Segregationists, and the Struggle for Justice in Prince Edward County, VA*. Free and open to the public. Limited free parking under the library. At [The Library of Virginia](#), 800 E. Broad St., 804-692-3500.

2/16/2012, 6:00 p.m. – Joshilyn Jackson presents *A Grown-Up Kind of Pretty*. Hosted by Kelly Justice, [Fountain Bookstore](#), 804-788-1594. Open to the public. At Historic Bolling-Haxall House, 211 E. Franklin St.

2/17/2012 – 2/18/2012 – “Womankind Conference 2012: Holy Mysteries.” Keynote speaker: Krista Tippett, author of *Einstein’s God*. Bookseller: [Fountain Bookstore](#), 804-788-1594. Details and tickets: [Womankind](#). At St. James Episcopal Church, 1205 W. Franklin St.

2/18/2012, 2:00 p.m. – Melissa Dawn Reedy signs *Cattle Rustlers* and *A Westward Adventure*. At Barnes & Noble, Short Pump, 11640 W. Broad St., 804-360-0103.

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6464. For more details visit <http://www.myspace.com/slamrichmond>.

2/19/2012, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. - Richmond Christians Who Write meets on the third Sunday most months. At Grove Avenue Baptist Church, 8701 Ridge Rd. For more information, contact Tom Lacy, 804-749-4050, revtcl@aol.com or Rebekah Robb, 804-527-0913, info@rebekahrobb.com.

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2/23/2012, 7:00 p.m. – “Junior League Book and Author Event.” Featuring Graham Salisbury, author of ***Under the Blood-Red Sun***. Bookseller: [Fountain Bookstore](#), 804-788-1594. Tickets: [Junior League of Richmond](#). At Collegiate School, Oates Theater, 103 N. Mooreland Rd.

2/24/2012, 6:30 p.m. – Sarah McCoy presents ***The Baker's Daughter***. At [Fountain Bookstore](#), 1312 E. Cary St., 804-788-1594.

2/25/2012, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. – JRW member D. H. C. Carter signs his latest book ***The Foundation of Heaven***. At [Richmond Public Library](#), North Richmond Branch, 2901 North Ave.

2/25/2012, 2:00 p.m. – Ron Tanner presents ***From Animal House to Our House***. At [Fountain Bookstore](#), 1312 E. Cary St., 804-788-1594.

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