

# Surfwriters Newsletter

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**-- Announcements --**

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**Panel Discussion/Presentations Followed by Q&A Session**

***"Writing for Children and Young Adults"...and Related Topics***

**-- Featuring Published Authors --**

**Ruth Adams, Jean Shriver, Sylvia Thompson and Edith Battles**

**Plus Special Guest Marisa Perley,  
Young Readers Librarian at Malaga Cove and Miraleste Libraries,  
who shares insights on what the libraries are circulating to kids.**

**Do children still read the classics?**

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**Friday, October 27 - 11:00 a.m.**

Palos Verdes Art Center  
5504 W. Crestridge Road  
Rancho Palos Verdes  
(310) 541-2479

**Surfwriters' Business Meeting - 10:00 a.m.**

See you there!

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**-- Announcements: Coming Events --**

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***Author and Journalist Orville Schell***

Dean, Graduate School of Journalism  
at UC Berkeley  
Expert on China and Tibet  
Author of 14 Books

**Wednesday, October 25**

The evening begins at 5:30 p.m.  
with a No Host Bar

Shutters On The Beach  
One Pico Blvd., Santa Monica 90405  
(310) 458-0030  
Tickets: \$20.00

Call (888) 864-8225  
for information and ticket availability.

<http://orvilleschell.com/>

***Open Mic Night***

at

**Summer Studios Arts Academy**  
25004 Narbonne Ave.  
Lomita 90717

**Friday, October 27, 7:00-9:30 p.m.**

**Sign up early (6:30 p.m.) for the open mic.**

Visual Art Display  
Poetry/Prose Readings  
Music and Song  
-Refreshments-

Come and join the fun!  
Free of Charge

Call David Parsons for information.  
(310) 325-8801

**Writers Guild of America, west**

presents

**Writers On Writing**

with

**Jessica Bendinger**

**Thursday, October 26, 7:30 p.m.**

at the Writers Guild of America, west  
Corner of Third & Fairfax in Los Angeles  
WGAw, Second Floor.



Jessica Bendinger, a working screenwriter for the last ten years, has had two features released this year: Aquamarine and Stick It (which she also directed).

Bendinger will talk about

Writing Characters from the Inside Out.

Moderator: Dana Fox

Proceeds go to the Writers Guild Foundation Shavelson-Webb Library and other Foundation programs.

Tickets/Info: [www.wgfoundation.org](http://www.wgfoundation.org)

or (323) 782-4692

Prices- General: \$20 WGA: \$15 Student: \$10

Free parking is included.

◇◇◇ -- **Art** -- ◇◇◇

**Marks and Arches: A Photo Exhibition**

The Photographic and Digital Artists of the Palos Verdes Art Center

have partnered with

photography students of Marymount College

to organize a compelling look

at the landmarks and architecture

of the South Bay, Peninsula and Long Beach.

The exhibit, with its mixture of traditional and

modern photo techniques, can be viewed

from **October 19 through 29,**

Weekdays - 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.,

Weekends - 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Naddy Conference Room  
Marymount College Palos Verdes  
30800 Palos Verdes Drive East  
Rancho Palos Verdes 90275  
(310) 303-7223  
[rnmillier@marymountpv.edu](mailto:rnmillier@marymountpv.edu)

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**Art Exhibition at The Judson Gallery**

**October 7, 2006 - January 5, 2007**

*The S-Word:*

*The State of Spirituality in Contemporary Art*

Saturday, October 28, 4:00-6:00 pm

Discussion with Artists

*Lynn Aldrich, Sandow Birk, John Frame,*

*Laura Lasworth, Jim Morphesis,*

*Aaron Smith & Patty Wickman*

The Judson Studios / free / reservations required

The Judson Gallery

of Contemporary & Traditional Art

For directions and more information

(800) 445-8376

[www.judsonstudios.com](http://www.judsonstudios.com)

◇◇◇ -- **Drama** -- ◇◇◇

**Palos Verdes Village Players**

(Surfwriters and Guest Readers)

present

**A Tribute to Edgar Allan Poe**

**Saturday, October 28, 2:00 p.m.**

**The Artists' Studio Gallery**

627 Deep Valley Drive

Suite 300C The Village

Rolling Hills Estates

(310) 265-2592

◇◇◇ -- **Poetry** -- ◇◇◇

**Modern Masters Series:**

**A Tribute to Federico García Lorca**

by

**Ralph Angel**

**November 5, 2:00 p.m.**

\$10/\$5

Reception Following

The Ruskin Art Club

800 S. Plymouth Blvd.

Los Angeles, 90005

For information:

(323) 755-3530 or (310) 669-2369

[www.ruskinartclub.org](http://www.ruskinartclub.org)

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-- Ongoing Activities --

**Spoken Word at Coffee Cartel**

1820 South Catalina Avenue  
Redondo Beach 90277

Tuesdays 8:00 PM until... (signup begins at 7:45)

Hosts Jim Doane & Larry Colker

Featured Guests and Open Mic Readings

[www.redondopoets.com](http://www.redondopoets.com)

Call (310) 316-6554 for information.

-- Literary Miscellany --

**Call For Entries**

The editors of *Fresh Boiled Peanuts* are pleased to announce a call for entries for their third issue. According to the editors, they have "no grand illusions of money or fame—they just want every issue packed full of good fiction, essays, creative non-fiction, poetry and generally anything they believe is worth reading." For complete submission guidelines,

check the *Fresh Boiled Peanuts* website at:

[freshboiledpeanuts.com](http://freshboiledpeanuts.com).

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**Due for Release November 1, 2006**

*Straw for the Fire:*

*From the Notebooks of Theodore Roethke*

"Roethke (1908-1963) won the Pulitzer Prize in 1954 for *The Waking*, and received the National Book Award for *Words for the Wind* in 1957..." Read about *Straw for the Fire* below.

For more information, go to [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com).

-- Reminders --

Is it time to renew your membership? If you're not certain, please check with the Art Center at (310) 541-2479 or e-mail [info@pvartcenter.org](mailto:info@pvartcenter.org).

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Read the monthly newsletter online at the Surfwriters website:

<http://www.palosverdes.com/surfwriters/newsletters.htm>

-- Thanks to Contributors --

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-- Future Announcements --

Please send your announcements for future newsletters to [kcjohnson@starnetdial.net](mailto:kcjohnson@starnetdial.net).

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Wishing the best of good health to all our members!

**Happy Writing!**

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---Surfwriters Anthology Update---

**More Progress!**

Debbie Paul continues to work on initial editing. Soon, Ildy Lee and KC Johnson will begin formatting the anthology. After the trio confers on the results, members will review their own submissions for final corrections. We plan to publish before year end with a promotional splash! More details to follow.

**-- Poet, Teacher, Award-Winning Author Theodore Roethke --**

**About *Straw for the Fire: From the Notebooks of Theodore Roethke***

"At his death, Theodore Roethke left behind 277 spiral notebooks .... Within these notebooks, Roethke allowed his mind to rove freely, moment by moment, moving from the practical to the transcendental, from the halting to the sublime. Fellow poet and colleague David Wagoner distilled these notebooks--twelve linear feet of bookshelf--into...a collection that shows Roethke to be one of the truly phenomenal creative sources in American poetry."

| wake to sleep, and take my waking slow.  
| feel my fate in what | cannot fear.  
| learn by going where | have to go...  
- from "The Waking" by Theodore Roethke