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## **Poet Laverne Frith to Speak at West Sacramento Library May 8**

(Woodland, CA) – As part of the Yolo County Library Local Author Series, poet and author Laverne Frith will speak on May 8, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Arthur F. Turner Community Library branch located at 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento. Admission is free.

“The Yolo County Library is pleased to be able to offer this series,” said Yolo County Supervisor Mike McGowan. “Our local authors provide inspiration for the writing process and enrich our community.”

Mr. Frith is co-editor of *Ekphrasis*, a journal of poetry in which each poem focuses on a single work of art, and a long-term poetry columnist for the widely circulated *Senior Magazine*. He is also currently President of the California Federation of Chaparral Poets, a state-wide literary association which has been serving California poets for over 70 years.

Mr. Frith’s works have been published in chapbooks (small books containing poems) from Talent House and White Heron Press, along with two of note from Finishing Line Press – *Drinking The Light* and *The Range Of Seeing* – both of which were nominated for The Commonwealth Club of California’s California Book Award. His chapbook, *Celebrations: Images and Texts*, was released from Rattlesnake Press in 2009 and features Mr. Frith’s photography as well as his poetry.

In 2004, 2005 and 2006, Mr. Frith was runner-up for the Louisiana Literature Prize in Poetry. His poetry has been accepted or appeared in *Poetry New York*, *Christian Science Monitor*, *Song of the San Joaquin*, *Sundog*, *Comstock*, *Montserrat*, *California Quarterly*, *Dalhousie*, and numerous other publications. He has a Pushcart Prize nomination and honors and awards in many poetry competitions. His full-length collection is due out from Cherry Grove Collections (WordTech Communications) in 2011.

The Yolo County Library Local Author Series program is sponsored by the Yolo County Library, Arthur F. Turner Community Library and the West Sacramento Friends of the Library. For more information on Yolo County Library programs visit: [www.yolocountylibrary.org](http://www.yolocountylibrary.org).

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