

Poet Laureate Max Garland Residency

Thursday – Saturday, October 1 – 3



2014 Wisconsin Poet Laureate and University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire professor Max Garland returns to the Woodson Art Museum. The award-winning poet, essayist, and fiction writer leads presentations, readings, and a workshop blending literature and the visual arts.



October 1 Thursday 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Art 101 The Visual As Verbal – Understanding Ekphrastic Writing

Max Garland introduces ekphrasis, creative writing about artwork. Capturing visual elements in words – practiced by wordsmiths in ancient Greece – continues to inspire writers, including Garland. Hear passages and poems inspired by the visual arts, a stimulating interdisciplinary exercise designed to deepen art appreciation.

October 1 Thursday 5:30 – 7 pm

Hands-on Art

All ages are invited to drop in to create feather prints incorporating poems and words using stamps and stencils.



October 2 Friday 5 – 7 pm

Poetry Reading & Reception

Author and educator Max Garland shares his love for birds and poetry by reading his avian-themed writing, 5-6 pm, in the galleries. Attendees are invited to read a work of their own during an open-mic session at 6 pm.

October 3 Saturday 10 am – 5 pm

Writing & Art Workshop

Utilizing artworks on view for inspiration, Max Garland leads adults through creative-writing exercises to develop observational skills and craft visual metaphors. Fee: \$15, members; \$20, non-members; lunch provided.

 Call 715.845.7010 to register

