



NEWSLETTER

“THE UNIVERSE IS LIKE A SAFE TO WHICH THERE IS A COMBINATION, BUT THE COMBINATION IS LOCKED UP IN THE SAFE.” – PETER DE VRIES



Ann Gordon

Ann’s Quarterly Column

Online Resources For Audiophiles

by Ann Gordon

Audiophiles are audio addicts who love audiobooks, podcasts, radio dramas, NPR, etc. Audio is their passion. For me, audio is wonderful because I can drive, surf the Internet, cook dinner, eat and wash the dishes all while listening. The new friend of most audiophiles is the podcast because podcasts offer no-cost, freely down-loadable audiobooks, radio shows, articles, essays – most anything a person can write or read has been converted to a podcast. For more information about online resources for audiophiles, including podcasts, check out these websites.

Podiobooks – <http://www.podiobooks.com> – free podcast books that are read by their authors. I mentioned this site in my last article.

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LibriVox – <http://librivox.org/> - “acoustical liberation of books in the public domain.” In other words, free audiobooks from the public domain, read by volunteers. Their goal is to record all the books in the public domain. LibriVox is a finalist in the Stockholm Challenge.

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From The Newsroom

A unique opportunity: Because the MP&W treasurer position is newly open, we are searching for an additional Board member. If you are interested in helping pilot MP&W and maintaining a simple balance sheet, please contact the board president, Marcy Hafner, at 259-6197. Board members enjoy the benefits of optionally free workshops and supporting the Utah’s literary community. Learn more about non-profit finance and how you can help Moab’s poets and writers navigate our shared world of wordcraft.

To have your prose, poetry, and photos featured in this newsletter, email Dan (mcneild@grandschools.org) or send snailmail to Daniel McNeil, 164 S 300 E #3, Moab, UT 84532. Digital photos only, please.

Have a wonderful summer. We look forward to seeing you or hearing from you soon.

–The MP&W Board

Visit: www.moabpoetsandwriters.org

[Potholes dark and deep]

by Marcia Hafner

Potholes dark and deep
water in red sandstone bowls
hide many secrets.

Submissions:

To submit a maximum 300-word prose piece, maximum 40-line poem, or a digital photograph of your choice to the Moab Poets & Writers Newsletter Editor, send an email to:

mcneild@grandschools.org

Please include a personal digital photo and short bio.



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Podcast your own book -

<http://societyfans.blogspot.com/2008/01/so-you-want-to-podcast-your-book.html> - tips for recording and posting your own writing.

Project Gutenberg -

http://www.gutenberg.org/wiki/Main_Page - you'll find 25,000 free audiobooks on this website. As with LibriVox, these books are read by volunteers and are available in at least eight different languages.

(Re)living

by Ethan D. Ryder

Snow falls outside.

She walked in, hair freighted
with great thawing flakes
turning to silver droplets.

I sit in a deep armchair.

She smiled and dropped
a backpack, hung her jacket,
slid the blue skirt up to her waist.

Steam pipes clank below the floor.

She eased over me, wrists
on my shoulders, pressed lips
to mine, mouth open a little.

I tilt my head to the side.

She asked me *how was your day?*
I smiled and glanced
at her underwear just visible.

I want to know about her today.

My fingers got wet
in her hair, and she asked
what's wrong?

Your doctor called, I say.

Our focus fell into her breast,
and I decided to remember
her entrance into our home.

I recall carrying her to the bedroom,
her damp head on my shoulder.

Calendar

July

July 25: Final Friday open mic reading will take place at the Rotary Park Amphitheater on the East end of the green, past "Free Notes." Bring food and beverages of your choice.

August

August 29: Final Friday open mic reading will take place at the Rotary Park Amphitheater on the East end of the green, past "Free Notes." Bring food and beverages of your choice.

September

September 26: Final Friday open mic reading will take place at the Moab Arts and Recreation Center, downstairs in the kitchen room at the west end of the hallway. Bring food and beverages of your choice.

Directions

to Rotary Park:

Going south on Main St., take a left at the Moab Information Center onto Center St. Follow Center St. to the stop sign on 400 east and take a right. Continue on 400 east for five blocks and go left at Dave's Corner Market on to Mill Creek Drive. Drive East on Mill Creek Drive to Rotary Park. There are two different parking areas for Rotary Park on the right-hand side across from the Red Rock Elementary School.

to the MARC:

From Main Street, turn onto 100 North, headed East. Drive to 111 East 100 North (northeast corner of the intersection). The open mic crowd meets downstairs in the kitchen room. Look for a flyer on the door or inside in the foyer.

Visit the MP&W website
for more dates & details:

www.moabpoetsandwriters.org

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Ann Gordon's

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Ethan D. Ryder

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the blunt tool of language.*

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