Dakota Spirit

A unique opportunity to study the craft of writing with nationally renowned poets, songwriters, authors, and scholars

Date:  June 3rd - 8th
Place:  Jamestown College
Cost:  $200 for registration*
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Workshops presented by:

Heid E. Erdrich is author of two collections of poetry, The Mother’s Tongue and Fishing for Myth, as well as co-editor of Sister Nations: Native American Women on Community. She also authored Curiosities: a Play in Two Centuries, as part of the Alternate Visions series at Pangea World Theater in 2005. In 2002, she co-founded the Turtle Mountain Writing Workshop with Louise Erdrich, her sister.

Larry Woiwode, North Dakota native and Poet Laureate of the state, will conduct workshops in fiction. Of his twelve published books, six have been chosen as “notable books of the year” by the New York Times Book Review. He has been a Guggenheim Fellow and a Lannan Fellow and in 1995 received the Medal of Merit from the American Academy of Arts and Letters, “for distinction in the art of the short story.”

Chuck Suchy, one of the foremost musical voices of the Great Plains, has six CDs on independent labels. He will conduct workshops on songwriting. Chuck has performed in twenty-two states and in Canada, and he has twice been a featured performer on Garrison Keillor’s “Prairie Home Companion.”

Dr. William Laskowski (Ph.D., University of Illinois at Chicago), is the chair of the English Department at Jamestown College. He has written two books and numerous reference articles on various subjects, ranging from literature and science fiction to popular culture. He will conduct a seminar on images of the West as portrayed in Hollywood films, with emphasis on the Dakota slant, and offer tips on screenwriting.

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