

Sept. 30 – Oct. 3, 2010
Lowell, Massachusetts

THE Jack Kerouac Literary Festival

Presented by *Lowell Celebrates Kerouac!*

Sunday, October 3

9:00 a.m. "Mystic Jack" Literary Walking Tour, led by Roger Brunelle Begins at the old St. Louis de France Church building on W. 6th St. in Centralville. A tour of the sites of Kerouac's *Visions of Gerard*. Suggested donation: \$5.00.

11:00 a.m. Two Kerouac Related Documentaries: "Grave Concerns" and "On the Trail: Jack Kerouac in Cheyenne" Join filmmakers Brent Mason and Alan O'Hashi in viewing and discussing their respective works. Dharma Buns Sandwich Company, 26 A Market St.

12:00 p.m. Moses Greeley Parker Lectures "Through the Eyes of Benjamin F. Butler," a talk by Michael Pierson, associate professor, UMass Lowell Dept. of History, about the lead up to the Civil War in 1860 and Butler's role. Lowell Memorial Auditorium, 50 E. Merrimack St.

1:30 p.m. A Walking Tour of the Downtown Kerouac Sites of Lowell, led by Roger Brunelle Departs from Dharma Buns Sandwich Company. Suggested donation: \$5.00.

3:00 p.m. Amram Jam at Cappy's Copper Kettle Close out the weekend with David Amram. Share a reading of your own with David providing back up on keyboard. Cappy's Copper Kettle, 245 Central St.

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The Jack Kerouac Literary Festival & Lowell Celebrates Kerouac's 25th Anniversary September 30 – October 3, 2010

The new, expanded Kerouac Festival features readings by notable writers and poets, a keynote talk about Kerouac and bohemian culture, a panel discussion on art and commerce, tours of Kerouac's literary places in Lowell, a children's book illustrators exhibit, musical performances, films, and more.

Presenting Partners



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Kerouac Painting 12. Courtesy of John Sampas.

Thursday, September 30

3:30 p.m. A Reading by Alan Lightman, Novelist and Physicist (MIT) The author of "Einstein's Dreams" will read from "Mr.g: A Novel about the Creation." Alumni Hall, UML North Campus, One University Ave.



4:00 p.m. Lowell Blues"
A film by Henry Ferrini

Lowell National Historical Park (LNHP) Visitor Center, 246 Market St. This program is featured at 4 p.m. daily at the Visitor Center.

5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. Historic Kerouac Pubs Tour–Honoring the Spirit of Jack Kerouac on His Lowell Streets

Begins at the Old Worthen Tavern, 141 Worthen St. Opportunities for volunteer readings along the way. Contact Mike at 978-501-1201 if you wish to read. Suggested donation: \$5.00.



7:00 p.m. Acclaimed writer Russell Banks ("Continental Drift," "The Reserve") will talk about Jack Kerouac and read from his own fiction. A book-signing will follow. Admission is free for students and seniors; \$10 for the public (contact paul_marion@uml.edu for reservations). UMass Lowell Inn & Conference Center, Jr. Ballroom, 50 Warren St.

8:30 p.m. Music and Readings at Cappy's Copper Kettle Musician and composer David Amram will perform with local musicians and selected readers. Event continues throughout the evening. Cappy's Copper Kettle, 245 Central St.

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Friday, October 1

9:30 a.m.

Poetry and Short Prose Competition

Lowell High School Freshman Academy Theater, 43 French St.

11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Exhibit: Children's Book Illustrators, Brush Gallery

7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

Gallery Reception

Exhibit, receptions, artist talks, book signings featuring six illustrators: David Macaulay, Chris VanAllsburg, David Wiesner, Christopher Bing, Kelly Murphy, Matt Tavares. Also involves third grade Lowell students' work influenced by these artists. Brush Art Gallery, 256 Market St. (next to LNHP Visitor Center). Information at www.thebrush.org.

David Macaulay



12 Noon–2:00 p.m.

UML Campus Presentation: "Jack Kerouac and the American Bohemian Tradition"

Dennis McNally ("Desolate Angel: Jack Kerouac, the Beat Generation, and America," "A Long Strange Trip: The Inside Story of the Grateful Dead") will discuss "Jack Kerouac and the American Bohemian Tradition." UMass Lowell South Campus, O'Leary Library Auditorium, Room 222, 61 Wilder St. Free pizza lunch.

3:00 p.m.

A Walk in Doctor Sax's Woods, led by Margarita Turcotte

Lowell/Dracut/Tyngsboro State Forest. Directions available at earlier events. (Not handicapped accessible).

6:30 p.m.

Kerouac Literary Walking Tour: "Ghosts of the Pawtucketville Night"

A tour of some of the sites of Jack Kerouac's *Doctor Sax*, led by Roger Brunelle. Begins at Cumnock Hall, 31 University Ave. Suggested donation: \$5.00.

8:30 p.m.

Urban Village Artist Series (UVAS)

Three performances, one great event! Free admission. Visit lowellcelebrateskerouac.org for location

Antje Duvekot, Poet and Folk Singer, winner of Boston Music Awards "Outstanding Folk Act of the Year."



Antje Duvekot

Andrew Schelling, Poet/Essayist/Writer.

Instructor at the Naropa Institute/Jack Kerouac School of Disembodied Poetics.

Samkhann C. Khoeun, Editor and translator of the honored Cambodian book of poetry "O! Maha Mount Dangrek."

Related Festival Events:

Pre-Festival Event: The Jack Kerouac 5K Road Race

Sunday, September 26, at 12 Noon
Race starts at Hookslide Kelly's Bar, 19 Merrimack St.

More information: www.JackKerouac5k.com

Reduced Shakespeare Company® in *The Complete World of Sports* (abridged) by Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor

Merrimack Repertory Theatre, 50 E. Merrimack St.
September 9, 2010– October 3, 2010
Ticket information: www.MerrimackRep.org or 978-654-4678

Post Festival Event: The Jack Kerouac Memorial Walk

Thursday, October 21 (the anniversary of Jack's passing)
More information: www.lowellcelebrateskerouac.org



Kerouac Painting 16
Courtesy of John Sampas.

Saturday, October 2

8:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.

Bus Tour of the Kerouac Sites of Lowell, led by Roger Brunelle

Sign in at 8:15 a.m. Tour departs at 8:30 from the LNHP Visitor Center, 246 Market St. Includes stops in Centreville and Pawtucketville. (Reservations: 978-970-5000)

11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Exhibit: Children's Book Illustrators, Brush Art Gallery

Artist reception from 1–5 p.m. with artist talks and book signings. (See Friday, October 1, program description for details).

11:00 a.m.

Commemorative at the Commemorative, Kerouac Park on Bridge Street

Persons involved in the founding and early years of Lowell Celebrates Kerouac will offer some personal reflections on the 25th Anniversary of the founding of LCK!. The program will also include a tribute to the late Peter Orlovsky.

1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

Theme Speaker: "Jack Kerouac and the American Bohemian Tradition" by Dennis McNally

A joint program presented by LCK!, the Moses Greeley Parker Lectures, and UMass Lowell Center for Arts and Ideas. LNHP Visitor Center, 246 Market St.



Dennis McNally

Following the Theme Speaker a variety of program options will be offered:

3:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.

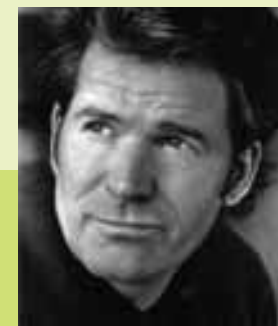
***Poetry readings from the UMass Lowell English Department** featuring Maggie Dietz ("Perennial Fall") and Sandra Lim ("Loveliest Grotesque"). UMass Lowell Inn & Conference Center, Jr. Ballroom, 50 Warren St.

3:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. **A Reading and Discussion with Fiction and Nonfiction Writers** featuring David Daniel ("Coffin Dust"), Jay Atkinson ("Paradise Road"), and Stephen O'Connor ("Smokestack Lightning"). Dharma Buns Sandwich Company, 26 A Market St.

3:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. ***Prose and Poetry: Reading from the Works of Jack Kerouac** Award-winning poet, painter, and short story writer Marilene Phipps-Kettlewell and Kerouac's brother-in-law, John Sampas, will read from the newly published book "Jack Kerouac and Allen Ginsberg: The Letters." Barnes & Noble, 151 Merrimack St.

4:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m. **Open Mike Upstairs at the Worthen House** 141 Worthen St., near City Hall. Bring your own work or the favorite of another.

4:30 p.m.–6:00 p.m. **A panel discussion about "Art and Commerce"** featuring noted novelists Ann Hood ("The Red Thread"), Tom Perrotta ("The Abstinence Teacher"),



Andre Dubus III

and Anita Shreve ("A Change in Altitude"), moderated by Andre Dubus III ("The Garden of Last Days") of the UMass Lowell English Dept. A book-signing will follow. UMass Lowell Inn & Conference Center, Jr. Ballroom, 50 Warren St.

5:45 p.m.–6:45 p.m.

Lowell Celebrates Kerouac Exhibit

Tour at the Pollard Library The Pollard Library will feature a 25th Anniversary of LCK! Exhibit in the first floor alcove. Tour led by Bill Walsh. Pollard Memorial Library, 401 Merrimack St.

8:00 p.m.

Event to Present the Jack Kerouac Center for Creativity and Celebrate 25 Years of Lowell Celebrates Kerouac!

Opening Remarks from Lowell Celebrates Kerouac!. Past (and present) Presidents of LCK! will offer their favorite Kerouac passages: Brian Foye, Richard Scott, Mark Hemenway, Lawrence Carradini, and Steve Edington. Readings by "Free Verse" & Lowell's Youth Slam Team. Guest performance by Gypsy jazz trio Ameranouche. Suggested donation: \$5.00. UML Inn & Conference Center, Jr. Ballroom, 50 Warren St.

* Programs presented by the Mass Poetry Outreach Project. MassPOP aids and supports organizing the poetry community throughout Massachusetts and reconnecting poetry to mainstream culture.

For updates, please visit lowellcelebrateskerouac.org

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All events are open to the public and most are free; ticketed and suggested-donation events are listed in the schedule.