

LUNCH POEMS

A NOONTIME POETRY READING SERIES

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF PROFESSOR ROBERT HASS

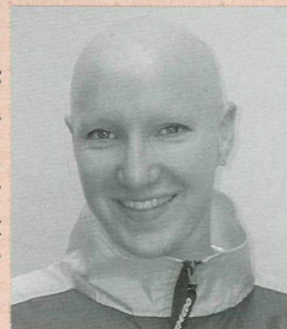
All Readings from 12:10 to 12:50 p.m. on the First Thursday of the Month ♦ Admission Free

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September 6, 2001

SERIES KICK-OFF

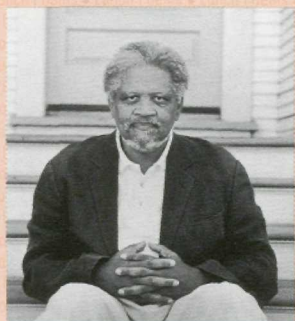
A stellar group of UC Berkeley campus figures from a wide variety of fields read and discuss their favorite poems. This year's line-up: **Lisa Alvarez-Cohen** (Civil and Environmental Engineering), **Hamida Chopra** (South & Southeast Asian Studies), **Billy Curtis** (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Services Coordinator), **Timothy Duane** (Environmental Design), **Charles Faulhaber** (Director, Bancroft Library), **Kenneth Goldberg** (Industrial Engineering), **Jabari Mahiri** (Education), **Rocky Main** (Library Advisory Board), **Alexander Pines** (Chemistry), **Alan Ritch** (Associate University Librarian), **Staciana Stitts** (Undergrad, Olympic Gold Medal Swimmer), **Adán Tejada** (Lieutenant, University Police).



Staciana Stitts

October 4, 2001

ISHMAEL REED



Ishmael Reed is a much sought-after creative writing teacher at UC Berkeley. A leading figure in the current renaissance of African American literature, he's the author of over 20 books, most recently *The Reed Reader*. A recipient of a MacArthur Genius Award, his poetry collections include *A Secretary to the Spirits*, *Chattanooga*, *Conjure*, and *Catechism of D Neoamerican Hoodoo Church*.

November 1, 2001

SANDRA CISNEROS

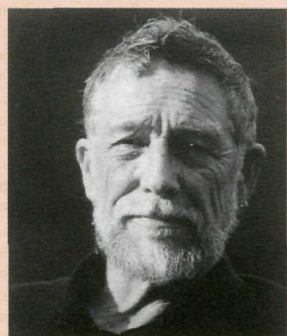
Sandra Cisneros exploded on the literary scene with *The House on Mango Street*, a classic she wrote in her early twenties, and with the stories of *Woman Hollering Creek*. She is also the author of three books of poetry, including *Loose Woman* and *My Wicked Wicked Ways*. Her poetry reveals a different strain in her writing—confessional, cosmopolitan, and sexy.

This event will take place in the Zellerbach Playhouse.



December 6, 2001

GARY SNYDER



Gary Snyder was born in San Francisco and began his involvement in literature as a major figure in the Beat Generation. Author of over twenty-five books of poetry and essays, he has won many honors, including the Pulitzer Prize. Gary Snyder is celebrated for his vision of a life immersed in nature and the wisdom of traditional Pacific Rim cultures, and for his poetry's distinctive rhythms. His most recent book is *The Gary Snyder Reader*.

This event will take place in the Zellerbach Playhouse.

For more information or to be added to our off-campus mailing list, please call (510) 642-0137.
Visit our web page at: <http://www.berkeley.edu/calendar/events/poems/>

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