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### **Escanaba Public Library Celebrates Poetry Month in April with two events**

We are having two poetry events in April in Celebration of National Poetry Month. We are kicking off the month with an *Open Mic Poetry Night* on Wednesday, April 2 @ 5:30 p.m. Writers, poets, and lovers of poetry are invited to bring a short original piece, a favorite poem by another author, or simply come to enjoy listening to others! Simply show up and ask to read/recite a poem.

Next, *Poetry Night with Poets Martin Achatz and Kathleen Heideman*, Wednesday, April 30 at 5:30 p.m. The public is invited to listen to original works from Martin and Kathleen. About the authors—

Marty Achatz is a two-time U.P. Poet Laureate. He has published two collections of poems, *The Mysteries of the Rosary* and *A Bigfoot Bestiary and Other Wonders*, as well as three spoken word albums. He is a Contingent Professor in NMU's English Department and the Adult Programming Coordinator at the Peter White Library.

Kathleen M Heideman is the author of *The Caving Grounds*, *A Brief Report on the Human Animal*, and *Psalms of the Early Anthropocene*. Heideman serves on the board of the Upper Peninsula Environmental Coalition: she is drawn to wild and threatened places and works to defend them.



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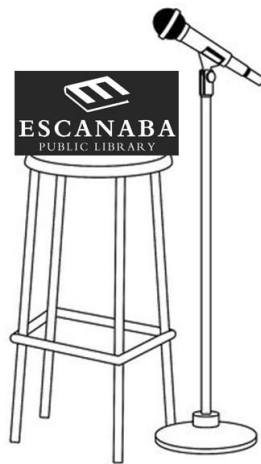
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No registration required and all ages are welcome. Thanks to the Friends of the Escanaba Public Library for their support of this program. For more information about this program or others at the library, link to our website at [www.escanabalibrary.org](http://www.escanabalibrary.org) or contact us at 906-789-7323, [epl@escanabalibrary.org](mailto:epl@escanabalibrary.org) or on Facebook and Instagram. The Escanaba Public Library is located at 400 Ludington Street in downtown Escanaba.

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Martin Achatz



Kathleen Heideman

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