The Muse in the Museum
Poetry Contest – Call for Entries
DUE: Friday, March 22 by 5:00 pm

The Allen Memorial Art Museum, Main Street Readings, and the Oberlin College Creative Writing Program seek submissions of ekphrastic poetry for our upcoming April First Thursday evening hours. April is National Poetry Month and these hours will feature a reading of poetry inspired by works on view at the AMAM galleries.

The “Muse in the Museum” readings will take place at the Allen Memorial Art Museum on Thursday, April 4, beginning at 5:30 pm. Authors must be able to attend and be willing to read their poems to the public.

Submissions can be emailed to AMAM Curator of Education Jason Trimmer at: jtrimmer@oberlin.edu, or dropped off at the front desk of the AMAM.

Guidelines:
Ekphrastic poetry is poetry describing, inspired by, or written in response to works of visual art, such as painting, sculpture, or photography. Submissions can be about any work of art currently ON VIEW in the AMAM galleries.

Submissions from ALL members of the public are welcome. We are especially interested in works from faculty, staff, students, and Oberlin community members. Each poet may submit up to three ekphrastic poems, with the total entry not exceeding ten pages.

Please include the following information in your submission: Your name, contact information (email and phone), Title of museum work of art and Artist, and the Title of the Poem. Please also indicate if you are an Oberlin College faculty, staff, student, Oberlin or other community member.

Featured poems will be determined through a ‘blind’ process by AMAM and Main Street Readings staff. The works will be selected based in part on creating a balanced program for the evening.

For more information, visit our website: http://www.oberlin.edu/amam/EkphrasticPoetry.html

The Muse in the Museum is a collaborative project of the Allen Memorial Art Museum, the Oberlin College Creative Writing Program, and Main Street Readings.