

Poet Jim Dott releases new chapbook KALA hosts 'Glossary of Memory' launch, performance

ASTORIA — To launch his new poetry chapbook, "A Glossary of Memory," Astoria poet Jim Dott will give his first solo poetry reading at 7:30 p.m. Friday May 8 at KALA, located at 1017 Marine Drive. Doors open at 7 p.m. Following the reading, there will be book sales and complimentary desserts. There is an \$8 cover.

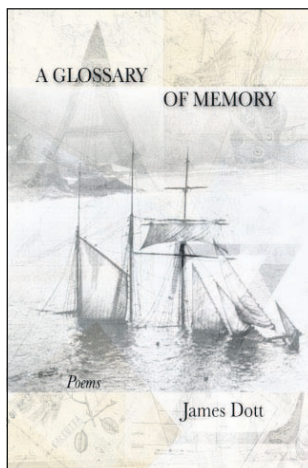
Chapbooks are short collections, usually connected by a theme. The 26 poems in "Glossary," one per letter in the alphabet, elaborate in poetic lines on a single word meaningful to the characters in the poems.

From these uncommon ABCs arise the fictional profiles of a father and daughter, the two characters who run through the poems: the father, captain of one of the last commercial sailing ships, and his motherless daughter who necessarily stays close to him through long evenings of reading and philosophy, both haunted by the absence of the



mother. Each poem takes up a word: some maritime — fathom, hinge, the sea monsters Kraken and Leviathan, rum, sexton — others less fathomable, like Grace and zero.

Dott has been co-host of Monday Mike for spoken word at the River Theater, co-producer of the poetry CD "Read at the River," and now reads regularly at the Last Tuesday poetry mic at Port of Call Bistro & Bar. His poems have been in two previous chapbooks



Submitted photo

Astoria poet Jim Dott is launching his new poetry chapbook, "A Glossary of Memory."

and in the literary collections of RAIN Magazine, Stringtown, and The North Coast Squid.

Dott used his own press, Blind Slough Books, and the nimble method of printing on demand for "Glossary," which is available at writngongrand@gmail.com

HiiH Lights Barn Studio holds May events Attend an open house, meet artists, learn to make paper

ASTORIA — HiiH Lights Barn Studio and Showroom will host several events this month open to the public.

Founded by Lâm Quảng, HiiH (pronounced "Hi Hi") Lights creates custom handmade paper lighting for residential and commercial settings. The studio is located

at RoseMint Ranch, 89120 Lewis and Clark Road. For more information, visit www.HiiHLights.com

The showroom will host its Monthly Open Studio from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, May 10. Come see the process of making handmade paper lights.

From 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, May 15, the HiiH Barn will host guest jeweler Judith Altruda and wood artist Jeffro Uitto, both of Tokeland, Washington, for an evening of metal, wood and paper.

You can sign up for a basic paper marking class at the studio, which will take place from 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 16. The class will cover an overview of the history of handmade paper, explaining Eastern and Western techniques. Attendees will learn the process of beating paper pulp with the Hollander beater; to use the mold and deckle to create sheets of paper; and to couch, press and dry the paper. Students can expect to make between three to five sheets of paper that are 12-by-20 inches. The cost is \$35. To register, email light@hiihlights.com



Submitted photo

Meet jeweler Judith Altruda at HiiH Lights Barn Studio and Showroom May 15.

Winnifred Byrne
LUMINARI ARTS

ART CARDS,
ARTISAN CRAFTS,
GALLERY &
WORKING STUDIO

1133 COMMERCIAL ST. ASTORIA
503.468.0308

CARGO!

Let Us
Overwhelm
You!

Liberty Theater Presents

Ireland's Foremost Tenor
Anthony Kearns
In Concert

Irish Ballads
Broadway Tunes
Popular Classics

In one amazing concert!

Kearns is a tenor with an easy manner and real vocal appeal.
... The Irish Times

Anthony Kearns is a superb singer, a compelling performer
... The Nashville Scene

**May 16
7 pm**

Founding member of
The Irish Tenors

Tickets Liberty Box Office 502.325.5922 X55
1203 Commercial, Astoria • Open Tues-Sat. 2 to 5:30 pm or ticketswest.com



Submitted photo

Meet wood artist Jeffro Uitto, of Tokeland, Washington, at HiiH Lights Barn Studio and Showroom May 15.

Golden Whale
JEWELRY, INC

If you are looking for something unique, visit the Golden Whale

194 N. Hemlock, Cannon Beach
503.436.1166



Submitted photo

Sign up for a paper making class at HiiH Lights Barn Studio and Showroom.