

# Final Fishtrap Fireside Friday

Monthly gathering, now offered online, features three Wallowa County writers

**ENTERPRISE** — The final Fishtrap Fireside of the season happens Friday, April 2.

The virtual gathering of Wallowa County writers will be posted online at [www.fishtrap.org](http://www.fishtrap.org) and on Fishtrap's YouTube channel, with readings by Wallowa County writers Dustin Lyons, Pamela Royes and Adele Schott.

Fishtrap Fireside is a monthly reading series featuring diverse voices from around Wallowa County. Each month's episode offers a fresh look at what people of the West are thinking about and writing down.

This episode of Fishtrap Fireside is sponsored by Wallowa Lake Lodge.

The April Fireside is the final gathering of this season. Fishtrap Fireside will return in October. Depending on the state of the pandemic, the series will either be online or again held live.

Keep up to date on Fishtrap happenings at [www.fishtrap.org](http://www.fishtrap.org).

**ADELE SCHOTT** calls Wallowa County "the County" and also "home." She was brought up slightly feral on her family's multi-generational ranch where she decided she wanted to be a cowboy when she grew up.

And so she has. Besides cowboying around the West she has been, among other things, a cocktail waitress in downtown Austin, an exchange student in Buenos Aires, a van-dwelling surfer in Mexico, a culinary student in Texas and, most recently, a wife and mother



Adele Schott

to the three best men she has ever known.

Influenced by some of the greatest storytellers around, Adele has always loved to write. Mostly she writes lists but sometimes she finds the quiet space to write down her musings, recipes and experiences.

Being a part of Fishtrap Fireside will be the first time she has read original work out loud to strangers.

**PAMELA ROYES** lives on a farm with her husband, Skip, and an undetermined number of cows, horses, mules, dogs, cats, ducks, chickens and honeybees. But no pigs.

Pam loves planting things, baking sourdough bread, playing her ukulele and writing.

The author of the memoir "Temperance Creek," she is cur-

rently writing a novel for young adults and also working on a book of essays about people, food and landscape.

**DUSTIN LYONS** was raised in a small, defunct timber town in Southwest Washington, where he developed an unshakable case of poesy. The notion that writing could become his vocation, perhaps even a vehicle to worldwide acclaim, was companioned with a likewise



Pam Royes

dubious push toward professional-athlete superstardom.

The viability of the latter dream was summarily crushed by a body that stubbornly refused to develop competitive size and speed. So, he carried his big shaggy head full of words and affected insight to the English Literature Department at the University of Washington.

After graduation came a decade of seasonal work in Alaska and several forays into Asia and Latin



Dustin Lyons

America, producing countless journals. In response to these literary triumphs Dustin decided to shift gears and study shoemaking in Ashland, eventually co-founding Alkahest Leather.

But his lifelong affinity for critters and wild places drew him to the base of Chief Joseph Mountain, where he owns a tumbledown cabin on a couple of acres. The words keep coming and he does his best to intelligibly lay them down.

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