THE POETRY CENTER
AT PASSAIC COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
is pleased to announce the winners of the

THE 2005 PATERSON POETRY PRIZE
WINNER

Philip Levine
Breath
Alfred A. Knopf, New York, NY

"Philip Levine's lucid, powerful poems tell the story of ordinary lives and the moments which transform them. Breath is a hymn to all that survives in us despite loss and betrayal and the passage of time. It is an unforgettable book."

FINALISTS

Laurie Lico Albanese, Blue Suburbia (Perennial, HarperCollins Publishers, New York, NY)
Grace Cavalieri, What I Would Do for Love (Jacaranda Press, San Jose, CA)
Catherine Doty, Momentum (CavanKerry Press, Fort Lee, NJ)
Rita Dove, American Smooth (W.W. Norton, New York, NY)
Sean Thomas Dougherty, Nightshift Belonging to Lorca (Mammoth Books, Du Bois, PA)
Charles Fishman, Country of Memory (Ucelli Press, Seattle, WA)
Donna Masini, Turning to Fiction (W.W. Norton, New York, NY)
Erin Murphy, Science of Desire (Word Press, Cincinnati, OH)
David Ray, One Thousand Years, Poems About the Holocaust (Timberline Press, Fulton, MO)

Paterson Award for Sustained Literary Achievement to previous winners of the Paterson Poetry Prize

Ruth Stone, In the Dark (Copper Canyon Press, Port Townsend, WA)

Paterson Award for Literary Excellence for previous finalists:

M. L. Liebler, The Moon a Box (Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI)

The Paterson Poetry Prize of $1000 is given annually by the Poetry Center at Passaic County Community College to a book of poetry (48 pages or more) published in the previous year, with a minimum press run of 500 copies.

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