The Poetry Center at Passaic County Community College

Distinguished Poets Series

KATHA POLLITT AND C. K. WILLIAMS TO READ IN PATERN

December 3, 2011   1:00 pm

Hamilton Club Building – 32 Church Street

Admission Free  (Open Reading follows)

Pollitt and Williams Workshop

10:00 am – Noon

$15.00 – Pre-Registration required.

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Katha Pollitt is the author of two books of poetry, Antarctic Traveller (1982), winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award, and The Mind-Body Problem (Random House, 2009). She is also the author of a collection of personal essays entitled Learning to Drive and Other Life Stories (Random House, 2007). In all of her work, Pollitt is well known for her keen sense of both the ridiculous and the sublime. Pollitt’s column, "Subject to Debate" in The Nation magazine, was called "the best place to go for original thinking on the left" by The Washington Post. As a poet, Pollitt has received a National Endowment for the Arts grant and a Guggenheim Fellowship. Her poetry has most recently been anthologized in The Oxford Book of American Poetry (2006). In 2010 she was awarded The American Book Award for Lifetime Achievement.

C. K. Williams is the author of ten books of poetry, the most recent of which is Wait (Farrar, Straus, and Giroux, 2010). The Singing won the National Book Award for 2003, and his previous book, Repair, was awarded the 2000 Pulitzer Prize and the Los Angeles Times Book Award. His collection Flesh and Blood received the National Book Critics Circle Award. He was awarded the 20th Annual Ruth Lilly Poetry Prize, an honor given to an American poet in recognition of extraordinary accomplishment and has been honored with the PEN/Voelcker Career Achievement Award and fellowships from the Lila Wallace Foundation, the Guggenheim Foundation and the National Endowment of the Arts.