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**LUISA MURADYAN TO READ IN SALINA SPRING POETRY  
SERIES, TUESDAY, APRIL 22**

(Salina, KS 04-25) The 41st Salina Spring Poetry Series, sponsored and organized by Salina Arts & Humanities, continues on Tuesday, April 22, with a reading by Luisa Muradyan.

The reading will begin at 7 pm at Red Fern Booksellers (106 S Santa Fe Ave). Admission will be \$5 at the door and free for students with ID.

Traci Brimhall, Kansas Poet Laureate, curated this year's series.

Brimhall selected poets with a broad range of perspectives, who will share their work in Salina this April.

"Originally from Odesa, Ukraine, Luisa has lived in Kansas for most of her life. I knew Luisa's poems before I was lucky enough to know her as a person, and on both the page and in person discovered she's remarkably funny. Her poems defy so much of what I thought poems could do. Celebrities show up, pop culture is everywhere, and she can make you laugh and cry in the span of a page," says Brimhall.

Luisa Muradyan is the author of *I Make Jokes When I'm Devastated* (Bridwell Press, 2025) *When the World Stopped Touching* (YesYes Books, 2027), and *American Radiance* (University of Nebraska Press, 2018). She is the winner of the 2017 *Raz/Shumaker Prairie Schooner* Book Prize and a member of the Cheburashka Collective. Additional work can be found at *Best American Poetry*, *The Threepenny Review*, *Ploughshares*, and *Only Poems*, among others.

*For needed accommodations, please call Amanda Morris at Salina Arts & Humanities at 785-309-5770 between 8:00 am - 6:00 pm. Every effort will be made to accommodate known disabilities. For material or speech access, please call at least five working days prior to the event.*



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**RELEASE DATE:**  
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