



**SALINA
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**WANDERER TO READ IN SALINA SPRING POETRY
SERIES, TUESDAY, APRIL 15**

(Salina, KS 04-25) The 41st Salina Spring Poetry Series, sponsored and organized by Salina Arts & Humanities, continues on Tuesday, April 15, with a reading by Wanderer

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.

"I first heard Cydnée in Salina and was completely blown away. A musician and a spoken word artist, Cydnée has an incredibly strong performance style and a lyricism that shines through in both her song writing and poetry. The emotion in her work is strong. I feel my heart trying to punch through my chest in every poem," says Brimhall.

Cydnée A. Reese is a multi-hyphenate artist and philanthropist whose work spans music, poetry, film, and social impact. She authored *Ebony Blankets: A Collection of Poems* by the Artist Called Wanderer and edited Joyce Lee's *Dancing in the Presence of Men: A Book of Love & Lovers*. Her children's book, *A Lot of Miles*, is used in public school curricula as a tool to enhance literacy and introduce empathy.

Under the stage name Wanderer, she has won poetry slams nationwide, including at the renowned Nuyorican Poets Café in New York. As singer-songwriter Cydnée Alyxzan, she has collaborated internationally with artists from six countries and is a two-time International Songwriting Competition semi-finalist. Driven by her belief in art's transformative power, she continues to inspire change through her creative pursuits.



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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

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to accommodate known disabilities. For material or speech access, please call at least five working days prior to the event.

Salina Arts & Humanities, a department of the City of Salina, has served a unique role as an arts advocate and resource partner since 1966. The Smoky Hill River Festival, Horizons Grants Program, Smoky Hill Museum, Arts Infusion Program in schools, Creative Connections, and Community Art & Design are among the programs of Salina Arts & Humanities, located at 211 W. Iron Avenue in Salina.

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