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Summary: Literary enthusiasts will enjoy readings, workshops, and discussions with nationally and internationally recognized authors.

(March 13, 2014)-The fourth annual Prairie Gate Literary Festival (PGLF) will be held March 28–29 at the University of Minnesota, Morris. The festival aims to build the role of the literary arts in Morris and the surrounding community. Aspiring writers and literary enthusiasts are invited to enjoy free public readings as well as workshops and discussions with nationally and internationally recognized authors.

This year PGLF will welcome Pulitzer Prize-finalist and novelist Joanna Scott, fiction writer Debra Monroe, nonfiction and memoirist Rachael Hanel, poet Mart Hart, and filmmakers Jake Lloyd and Anthony Wayne.

While all events are open to the public, pre-registration for the writing workshops is encouraged. The cost for the general public is \$25 for one workshop or \$35 for two. The cost for students is \$15 for one workshop or \$20 for two. Registration includes lunch with the writers. Additional information and registration is available [online](#).

This activity is funded in part by a grant from the Lake Region Arts Council through a Minnesota State Legislative appropriation. In addition, the PGLF is sponsored by Briggs Library Associates, the Alumni Association, the office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Friends of the Morris Public Library, the English discipline, the Commission on Women, Briggs Library, CAC Films, and private donations.

Schedule of Events

Friday, March 28, 2014
Public Reading: Debra Monroe/Joanna Scott
Briggs Library, Second Floor
7–9 p.m.

Saturday, March 29
Registration
Student Center
8:30 a.m.

Literary Farmer's Market
Student Center
8:30 a.m.–9:30 p.m.

Workshop 1: Rachael Hanel
Student Center, Prairie Lounge
9–10:15 a.m.

Workshop 2: Joanna Scott
Student Center, Moccasin Flower Room
9–10:15 a.m.

Workshop 3: Matt Hart
Student Center, Prairie Lounge
10:30–11:45 a.m.

Workshop 4: Debra Monroe
Student Center, Moccasin Flower Room
10:30–11:45 a.m.

Workshop 5: Jake Lloyd/Anthony Wayne
Briggs Library
10:30–11:45 a.m.

Lunch
Student Center, Oyate Hall
11:45-1 p.m.

Public Reading: Rachael Hanel
Briggs Library, Second Floor
1:30-2:30 p.m.

Break/Book Selling
Briggs Library, Second Floor
3–3:30 p.m.

Public Reading: Matt Hart
Briggs Library, Second Floor
3:30–4:30 p.m.

Open Mic
4:30-5:30 p.m.

Film Screening: Jake Lloyd and Anthony Wayne
Student Center, Edson Auditorium
8 p.m.

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