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(March 27, 2012)-The Second Annual Prairie Gate Literary Festival will be held in Morris, Minnesota on the evenings of March 29 and 30 and all day on March 31, 2012. The festival offers participants the opportunity to learn from writers, editors, and other literary arts professionals through author readings, workshops, and panel discussions.

According to student coordinator Jessie Sherman '12, Bozeman, Montana, the festival was created to provide a place for aspiring writers and literary enthusiasts to learn from and interact with published writers. The goal of the festival is to "strengthen the role of the literary arts in our community, as well as increase and deepen the audience for literary arts," Sherman said.

This year's presenters include award-winning poets Ilya Kaminsky and Simone Muench, award-winning author Susan Power author, humorist, and indie-country musician Michael Perry, and graphic novelists Britteny Sabo and Anna Bratton, recipients of the Xeric Award.

"I am so incredibly excited about the caliber and variety of this year's lineup", said Sherman.

Workshops, readings, and social activities will be held throughout the day on Saturday, March 31. The cost of the workshops will be \$20 each or \$30 for two. The cost of lunch is included in the workshop fee. The festival will take place on the Morris campus and at the Morris Public Library.

For more information on the festival, writer bios, and workshop registration, visit the [PGLF website](#).

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