## **Cuesta College 2015** THE YEAR

In Partnership with SLO County Public Library SLO Reads Program

Kevin Powers, author of

## The Yellow Birds

will visit Cuesta College for an author in conversation event and book signing

**Thursday, March 26, 2015** • 5 – 7 pm

**Cuesta's Cultural and Performing Arts Center, SLO campus** 

A novel written by a veteran of the war in Iraq, The Yellow Birds is the harrowing story of two young soldiers trying to stay alive. The Yellow Birds has received the 2013 PEN/Hemingway Award for first fiction.

Tickets \$5, cpactickets.cuesta.edu, Performing Arts Events Ticket Line (805) 546-3198 Veterans and students free. For veteran tickets contact Karen Andrews, Cuesta College Veterans Resource Center (805) 546-3142; for student tickets and event information, contact Carolyn (805) 546-3190



# **DISCUSSION**

Welcome Home: Veterans on Campus PTSD Training and Panel
A free training developed to provide faculty, staff, and community with the knowledge needed to respond better to issues related to PTSD in the classroom and community. Presentation includes a panel of Cuesta College veterans. Lunch provided. To register contact: Carolyn (805) 546-3190.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26 • 9:00 am - 1:00 pm >> Cuesta College Student Center, SLO Campus, Room 5401



## FILMS

#### The Hurt Locker

Screening of The Hurt Locker, a film based on the personal wartime experiences of journalist Mark Boal; an Academy Award winning film that tells the story of the Iraq war from the perspective of an elite Army Explosive Ordnance Disposal team.

Saturday, March 7 at 5:45 pm

Los Osos Library: 2075 Palisades Ave., Los Osos, CA • (805) 528-1862

#### Film Screening

Watch an Academy Award winning film that tells the story of the Iraq war from the perspective of an elite Army Explosive Ordnance Disposal team. Rated "R" no one under age 17 will be admitted without an accompanying parent or guardian. Contact Karen Christiansen (805) 237-3870.

Thursday, March 12 at 7:00 pm

Paso Robles City Library, Library Conference Room: 1000 Spring St, Paso Robles, CA

#### **Halfway Home**

Screening of the documentary film Halfway Home about the mental and physical aftermath of war.

Saturday, March 21 at 11:00 am

Fair Oaks Theater: 1007 East Grand Avenue, Arroyo Grande, CA • (805) 489-2364

#### **Halfway Home and Welcome Home**

Screening of Halfway Home paired with the new short Welcome Home Military Heroes by local filmmakers Kyle and Carlos Plummer. Q&A discussion moderated by Cuesta faculty Steve Leone will follow. Welcome Home Military Heroes filmmakers will be in attendance. Wednesday, March 25 at 6:00 pm

San Luis Obispo Library Community Room San Luis Obispo Library: 995 Palm St., San Luis Obispo, CA • (805) 781-5991



### **WORKSHOPS**

#### **Healing Trauma Through Art Workshop**

Popular local assemblage artists The JunkGirls will guide participants in using creativity as a means for healing from trauma in your life. Each person will craft a custom, pressed-metal talisman to take away as a wellness keepsake of the workshop.

To register, contact Carolyn at (805) 546-3190.

Wednesday, March 18, 10:30 am -12:30 pm

Cuesta College, San Luis Obispo Campus, Room 4760

#### A Writers Workshop for Veterans

Spend the day in a tranquil environment and focus on creative writing. Workshop will be led by Cuesta English Instructor Tom Patchell, who advises the Cuesta Veterans Club on campus and has participated in and led veteran writing workshops for a decade. Includes guided walk through the garden. Lunch provided. Priority given to veterans, their spouses or adult family members. To register, contact Carolyn at (805) 546-3190.

Saturday, March 21, 10 am - 3 pm

San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden, Oak Glen Pavilion: 3450 Dairy Creek Rd., San Luis Obispo, CA (across from Cuesta SLO)

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## **BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

Kevin

Powers

Tuesday, February 3 at 11:00 am

Thursday, February 19 at 2:30 pm

Atascadero Library: 6555 Capistrano Ave., Atascadero, CA • (805) 461-6161

Wednesday, March 4 at 1:00 pm

Nipomo Library: 918 West Tefft St., Nipomo, CA • (805) 929-3994

Thursday, March 5 at 6:30 pm

Los Osos Library: 2075 Palisades Ave., Los Osos, CA • (805) 528-1862

Thursday, March 19 at 7:00 pm

Paso Robles City Library, Library Conference Room: 1000 Spring St, Paso Robles, CA Karen Christiansen (805) 237-3870

Friday, March 20 at 10:00 am Tuesday March 24 at 5:30 pm

Arroyo Grande Library: 800 W. Branch St., Arroyo Grande, CA • (805) 473-7161



## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

#### **Vietnam War veteran Jim Galvez**

Shares powerful photographs and memories of his war experience.

Friday, February 20 at 10:30 am

Atascadero Library: 6555 Capistrano Ave., Atascadero, CA • (805) 461-6161

Thursday, February 26 at 6:30 pm

Los Osos Library: 2075 Palisades Ave., Los Osos, CA • (805) 528-1862 Saturday, March 7 at 1:00 pm

Morro Bay Library: 625 Harbor St., Morro Bay, CA • (805) 772-6394

Saturday, March 14 at 2:00 pm

Arroyo Grande Library: 800 W. Branch St., Arroyo Grande, CA • (805) 473-7161

#### The Healing Power of Art for Adults with Ann Kellogg

Friday, February 27 at 10:30 am, Sign-ups are required Atascadero Library: 6555 Capistrano Ave., Atascadero, CA • (805) 461-6161

Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 pm, Sign-ups are required Los Osos Library: 2075 Palisades Ave., Los Osos, CA • (805) 528-1862

Saturday, March 21 at 1:00 pm, Sign-ups are required

Morro Bay Library: 625 Harbor St., Morro Bay, CA • (805) 772-6394

### The Healing Power of Art for Youth with Ann Kellogg

Saturday, March 7 at 2:00 pm, Sign-ups are required

Arroyo Grande Library: 800 W. Branch St., Arroyo Grande, CA • (805) 473-7161

#### Cuesta faculty Thomas Patchell: "Literary Readings from Veterans" Friday, March 13 at 10:30 am

Atascadero Library: 6555 Capistrano Ave., Atascadero, CA • (805) 461-6161

#### **United States Air Force SMSgt Brian Fleming**

Shares first-hand accounts of his experience serving in Iraq during Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Wednesday, March 18 at 7:00 pm

Paso Robles City Library, Library Conference Room: 1000 Spring St, Paso Robles, CA Q&A to follow. Contact: Karen Christiansen (805) 237-3870



## ON KCBX RADIO

Host Brian Reynolds interviews local experts on the public radio station's Issues and Ideas segment. Interviews archived at http://kcbx.org/programs/issues-and-ideas

Tom Patchell, Cuesta Faculty and member of the Veteran's Writer's Project and Jim Galvez, author of My Time in a Mobile Hospital Unit in Vietnam. Wednesday, February 25 at 1:00 pm

Discussion of SLO Reads/Cuesta Book of the Year Program's featured novel, The Yellow Birds with Denise Fourie (Librarian, Cuesta College), Roz Perini (Regional Librarian) and Jackie Kinsey (Morro Bay Librarian) Wednesday, March 25 at 1:00 pm