



An Evening With Bamboo Dart Press

Bamboo Dart Press is thrilled to announce An Evening with Bamboo Dart Press presented by Claremont Heritage at The Garner House Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 7 pm. All four of the authors who will be reading are based in the Inland Empire and three are Claremont residents. The evening will also feature a performance by the band Refrigerator which includes members inducted into the Claremont Treasury of Music.

Bamboo Dart Press, a publisher based in Claremont, was founded in 2020 and has issued over forty books with a focus on writers from the Inland Empire and Los Angeles area. The founders of the imprint have both been active in the publishing and music world for decades - Mark Givens has run the Pelekinesis book imprint for twelve years and Dennis Callaci founded Shrimper Records over thirty years ago. Join them and four of their authors at The Garner House, 840 N. Indian Hill Blvd, for an evening of literature and music.

Romaine Washington, M. Ed. is the author of *Sirens in Her Belly* (2015, Jamii Publications), as well as her Bamboo Dart Press book *Purgatory has an Address*. She is a fellow of The Watering Hole, South Carolina and the Inland Area Writing Project at the University of California Riverside. She is an active member of the poetry community in the Inland Empire. Washington is an educator and a native Californian from San Bernardino.

Margot Hover, D.Min. ACPE/NACC Supervisor Emerita spent her pre-retirement career first as a high school English and drama teacher, then as teaching chaplain at Dallas Parkland Hospital, Duke University, Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, and finally, working with pastors throughout rural Illinois and Missouri. She currently ministers as a Spiritual Director. She is an established writer in the field of theology. *Four and Twenty Blackbirds* is her first autobiographical book.

Allen & Dennis Callaci will each be reading from their Bamboo Dart Press books, *17 & Life* by Allen Callaci and *Lost Reflection* by Dennis Callaci. The Callacis have written other books on the Pelekinesis imprint as well as on Bamboo Dart Press and are known for their work in the band **Refrigerator** (with Chris Jones, Daniel Brodo & Mark Givens).

This free event is open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. Contact chapbooks@babmboodartpress.com or shrimperrecordsandtapes@gmail.com for any additional information.

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