

NLAPW 2024 Biennial Schedule

Friday, April 26–Sunday, April 28, 2024



THURSDAY, APRIL 25

- 4:00-8:00pm Registration
Sponsor/Member Boutique open
- 6:00pm Final 2022-2024 Board of Directors
Business Meeting

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

- 7:00-8:30a Registration
Sponsor/Member Boutique open
- 9:00-10:00a Opening Ceremony
- Color Guard entrance with national anthem
 - Chaplain: [Rev. Robin J. Moscati](#), Alexandria Branch
 - Welcome to the 51st Biennial by NLAPW National President, [Sheila M. Byrnes](#)
 - “Ohio” music and lyrics by [Sylvia Miller](#), Central Ohio Branch
- 10:00-11:00a *Breakthrough Aha Moments that Took Courage*, Panel Discussion: [Bev Goldie](#), art; [Sylvia Miller](#), music; [Sandra K. Horn](#), letters (Central Ohio Branch)
- 11:30a-1:00p Art and Music luncheon (or lunch on your own)
- **Keynote speaker: [Nannette Maciejunes](#)**, Columbus Museum of Art CEO, retired; author; and national biennial art juror
 - Announcement of awards in both disciplines with visual presentation of all art entries and music entries playing as background music
- 1:30-2:30p *How Does Color Sound?* Art and Music. [Karin Dahl](#), Central Ohio Branch
Look Who’s Talking: Expanding Voice Through Persona Poetry. Letters. [Georgia Popoff](#), Central New York Branch
- 3:00-4:00p *Blazing A Trail with Dimensional Paintings*. Art. [Dawn Petrill](#), Central Ohio Branch
How I Monetized My Love of History and Folk Music. Music. [Sylvia Miller](#), Central Ohio Branch
- 4:30-5:30p *Savvy Social Media Tips for You and Your Branch*. All. [Robie Benve](#), Central Ohio Branch
The Public Book. Art and Letters. [Ann Alaia Woods](#), Central Ohio Branch
- 6:30-8:00p Vinnie Ream awards banquet dinner. All **Keynote Speaker: [Angela Meleca](#)**, Meleca Creative Advisors CEO
- 8:30p Reading of work by Biennial Letters winners

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

- 8:30-10:00a NLAPW Business meeting. All
- Welcome
 - Reports of 2022-2024 National President [Sheila M. Byrnes](#), and national officers
 - Highlights from branch presidents, by [Luanna Leisure](#), National Membership Development Chair
- 10:30-11:30a *Writing for Social Justice Workshop*. Letters. [Nancy A. Dafoe](#), Central New York Branch
Doing More with Less: Urban Sketching. Art. [Joan Applebaum](#), Holly Branch
- 12:00-1:30p Letters luncheon (or lunch on your own)
Keynote Speaker: [Linda Kass](#), award-winning author; Gramercy Bookstore owner
Announcement of Letters competitions’ winners
- 2:00-3:00p *The Joys of Marbling*. Art. [Ann Alaia Woods](#), Central Ohio Branch
Go Independent or Traditional Publishing: Two Roads to Travel in Writing. Letters. [Sandra K. Horn](#), Central Ohio Branch
- 3:00-4:15p *International Moulding demonstration*, Art
Browse sponsors/member gift boutique room. All
- Arrange transportation or stroll to the Columbus Cultural Arts Center
 - Tour the historic building and view the art
 - Find a seat for the music recital
- 5:00-6:00p Music Awards and Recital at Columbus Cultural Arts Center with remarks by Biennial Music composers. Open to the public.
- 6:30-8:30p Art reception at Columbus Cultural Arts Center. Open to the public. Please invite your friends.
- Comments by the art judge, [Cat Sheridan](#), director/curator of Ohio Arts Council Riffe Gallery
 - Greeting by reenactors “Alice Schille” ([Josie Merkle](#)) and “Erma Bombeck” ([Leslie Robinson](#)), former Ohio NLAPW members, will make an appearance then mingle with the guests)
 - Background music performed by The Columbus Koto Ensemble

Dinner on your own

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

- 8:00a Sponsor/Member boutique open until noon
- 9:00-10:00a Words Becoming Music Becoming Words. All. [Elizabeth Lauer](#), Yucca Branch
- 10:30a-12:00p Memorial by [Rev. Robin J. Moscati](#), National Chaplain Installation of incoming NLAPW National Officers
Closing comments by National President [Sheila M. Byrnes](#)
- 12:30p 2024—2026 Board Business Meeting