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WOMEN POETS READ FOR MEANINGFUL MONDAYS IN ARNOLD'S COURTYARD

—CINCINNATI—Women poets make Mondays meaningful when Women Writing for (a) Change® (WWf(a)C) partners with Arnold's Bar & Grill, downtown, beginning Monday, February 2.

"We are delighted to bring women's creative voices to this historic, vibrant downtown venue and appreciate the opportunity," WWf(a)C executive director Diane Debevec commented.

WWf(a)C founder Mary Pierce Brosmer added, "We are happy to welcome you to hear the poetry of women and girls in the courtyard at Arnold's, and to experience the community those words and your reception of them will create each Meaningful Monday.

The organization was founded in 1991 to create spaces for women and girls to write and speak the truths of their lives. "Diverse truths of women and girls were welcomed into thousands of spaces in this city and others, and filled the airwaves in a seven-year radio program carried on W VXU, 91.7. What became clear was that it wasn't "just about the words," it was as much about the quality of space, of listening, of community, rarely experienced, and less often sustained, in public life. Which is to say, that in both the "what" and the "how" of our writing in community we were adding the missing half, the conscious feminine, to public life," said Brosmer.

A kick-off dinner for "MEANINGFUL MONDAYS: Women Poets in the Courtyard," precedes the first reading on Monday, Feb. 2, from 6 to 7 p.m. Seating is limited; inaugural dinner \$25 per person includes tax, tip and \$7 donation for WWf(a)C. For reservations, call WWf(a)C at [513-272-1171](tel:513-272-1171).

From 7-8 p.m., poets Jane Pugliano, Ellen Austin-Li, Suzanne Horton, and Heather Snyder, from Women Writing for (a) Change will share their poetry in Arnold's enclosed and heated Courtyard. Subsequent poetry readings are slated for first Mondays, March through May: March 2, April 6, May 4, 7-8 p.m. Full menu and libations available in the Courtyard before and after the readings.

"Arnold's has a history of providing a venue for poets, musicians, actors and many other creative spirits. We are eager to join with WWf(a)C," said Ronda Breeden, owner of Arnold's Bar & Grill.

For more than 23 years, Women Writing for (a) Change® has provided a safe and non-competitive environment for individuals to develop their writing skills, cultivate their creativity and strengthen their voices. At WWf(a)C, writers, whether first-timers or the more experienced, find community, connection and meaningful conversation within our writing circles. We encourage writing as a process of self-discovery and self-expression—a celebration of the individual voice. Our classes provide a unique setting in which honoring each other's words enriches participants' lives. Classes are held at 6906 Plainfield Road at the corner of Plainfield and Montgomery Roads in Silverton, Ohio.