poetry jam

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Sponsored by the Special Activities Committee
Department of English

Events will take place at ODU, Lake Taylor High School, WTG'M, and Cogan's Instant Art. All events are free and most are open to the public. For further information, call Philip Raisor at 489-6502.
PROGRAM

Tuesday, April 11

11:30 a.m. - Reception
Arts and Letters Building, Room 206

12:30 p.m. - Richard Wilbur
Poetry Reading
Kaufman Hall Auditorium

2:00 p.m. - W. D. Snodgrass
Poetry Reading
*First Colonial High School
Auditorium
Virginia Beach

8:00 p.m. - From the Poetry Workshop
Reading of original work by
ODU students
Cogan's Instant Art, 1901
Colonial Avenue, Norfolk

Wednesday, April 12

12:00 p.m. - Dave Smith
Poetry Reading
Education Building
Auditorium, Room 232

8:00 p.m. - From the Poetry Workshop
**Reading of original work by
ODU students
ODU Planetarium
45th St., across from ODU Library

ADDITIONAL EVENTS

Richard Wilbur will meet with several undergraduate and graduate writing classes on Tuesday afternoon.

An interview with Richard Wilbur and W.D. Snodgrass will be conducted by Walton Beacham in the WTGM studios on Wednesday morning, April 12. Mr. Beacham is the Coordinator of the Writing Program at Virginia Commonwealth University. This interview, arranged by ODU and The New Virginia Association for the Arts, Limited, will be aired on WTGM radio in May. For further information call Jane Ellen Glasser or Childrey Farber, editors of the New Virginia Review, at 622-1991.

Poetry Theatre: A collection of video-taped interviews, readings, and records by modern poets will be presented on Tuesday, April 11, at 1:30, and Wednesday, April 12, at 2:30 p.m. in the Arts and Letters Building, Room 206. Included are Frost, a tape titled, "Poetic Voice of Black Experience," Roethke, Betjeman, Dickey, Eberhart, Plath, Ginsberg, et al.

On display: In the bookstore, Webb Center, works by Richard Wilbur, W. D. Snodgrass, Dave Smith, and a host of other contemporary poets will be exhibited and available for sale.

*The Snodgrass reading is held in conjunction with the spring workshop conducted by the Virginia Beach Public School System for its instructors of English in secondary schools. For further information, contact Ms. Mary Barnes, Supervisor, or Ms. Helen Wade, 427-4877.

**The form, content, and poets at the two workshop readings will be different.
PARTICIPANTS

RICHARD WILBUR has published ten volumes of poetry, including Things of This World, The Poems of Richard Wilbur, and the recently released The Mind Reader. He has authored two translations, an operetta, several plays, children's books, and numerous critical articles. Currently a Professor of English at Smith College and editor of the Wesleyan University Poetry Series, Wilbur has received numerous prizes and awards, among them the Pulitzer Prize, National Book Award, and the Prix de Rome.

W.D. SNODGRASS is currently the Visiting Poet at Old Dominion University. He is the author of Heart's Needle, After Experience, and The Fuhrer Bunker, as well as a pseudonymous book. In addition to these volumes of poetry, Snodgrass has published a collection of critical essays and several translations. He is a winner of the Pulitzer Prize, and numerous other awards, including the Guinness Poetry Award, an Academy of American Poets fellowship, and the Centennial Medal of the Government of Rumania.

Since 1973, DAVE SMITH has published three volumes of poetry, Mean Rufus Throw Down, The Fisherman's Whore, and Cumberland Station. His works include numerous stories and critical essays. Editor of the poetry journal The Back Door, Smith is currently Director of Creative Writing at the University of Utah. He is a native of Virginia.