



Truckee Literary Crawl Schedule April 5, 2025

*All events are free & located in downtown Truckee. There is a charge for parking at all locations. Carpool or book a free ride on TART Connect through the app or call (530) 553-0653.

1-1:50 p.m.

Kickoff & Welcome

Truckee Artist Lofts,
Gallery 9848

[Corner of 9848 Donner Pass Road Extension](#)

Welcome with Truckee Literary Crawl co-founders Katherine Hill & Priya Hutner
Comments by Truckee Cultural Arts District Program Manager Kellie Cutler & Nevada County Arts Council Executive Director Eliza Tudor
Kick-off poem by Nevada County Poet Laureate Karen Terrey
Reading by Reno Poet Laureate Jesse James Ziegler
Performance by artist & songwriter Alice Osborn

FEATURED ARTISTS 2-2:50 p.m.	GENRE	VENUE	ADDRESS
Danny Neilson, Eddy Ancinas, Lisa Michelle	Non-fiction	Capitol Theater	10072 Donner Pass Rd., 2nd floor (Alpine Electric)

Danny is Reno-based writer and postdoctoral researchers who explores the American West in his debut book, *Straight Flossin' and Other Stories of the American West*. Specializing in Latin America, Eddy's work has appeared in the San Francisco Chronicle, LA Times, and six editions of Fodor's Argentina Guide. Her award-winning book, *Tales from Two Valleys*, returns in April 2025 with its third edition. Lisa is an Award-winning screenwriter & bestselling thriller author of the Calaveras Crime Series, which includes *Calaveras*, *Blue Mountain*, *Forest Creek*, and *The Lonesome Dark*.

Michaelyn Logue, Sharon Garcia, Teresa Breeden	Poetry	Craft & Logic Taproom	10192 Donner Pass Rd.
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Reading from her collection of poetry Michaelyn explores the intersection of feminism, nature, and soul. A resident of the Sierra Foothills, Sharon delivers a sample read from her published book *Poetry of Despair, Love, Spirituality, and Prophecy*. Teresa has over 60 published poems, is the author of *Falling*, and *A Quiet Life*, and is a recipient of the NV Arts Council Fellowship for literature.

Michael Tassone, Jeff Brunings	Non-fiction	Gallery 5830	10060 Donner Pass Rd.
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Freelance writer, editor, political consultant and speechwriter, Michael shares an excerpt from his published memoir travelogue, *Mexico in the Rearview Mirror* based on his life south of the border. Jeff is a Truckee resident, journalist and storyteller traveling North America's rugged and remote landscape in a converted van. Jeff shares an excerpt of his book in progress *The Road Provides* - a collection of inspiring stories, insights, and experiences of nomadic travelers using the open road to heal, forgive, and grow.

Laura Fay, Kimberly Mascaro, Kayla Anderson	Non-fiction	Piper J Gallery	10250 Donner Pass Rd.
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Published in local newspapers and National Public Radio affiliates, Laura shares an excerpt from her essay *In the Dark*, where she finds herself alone in the mountains as night approaches in a situation she is ill-equipped to handle. Kimberly is an author and licensed holistic psychotherapist. Her books include *Dreaming with the Earth-mind: Paths to Sacred Activism* (2025); *Dream Medicine: The Intersection of Wellness and Consciousness* (2021) and *Extraordinary Dreams: Visions, Announcements and Premonitions Across Time and Place* (2018). Co-author of *Moon Guides' Northern California Road Trips* Kayla shares insights into destinations ripe for dark skies and stargazing throughout the state's coastal and inland regions.

Michael Branch, Eve Quesnel, Suzanne Roberts	Non-fiction	Truckee Artist Lofts, Gallery 9848	Corner of 9848 Donner Pass Road Extension
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Recently inducted into the Nevada Writer's Hall of Fame, Michael is an award-winning writer and humorist. His published work spans 300 essays and ten books, including *On the Trail of the Jackalope*. A Truckee-based writer, educator, and columnist, Eve shares an excerpt from *Snow Fleas and Chickadees: Everyday Observations in the Sierra* recently released from the University of Nevada Press. Suzanne is the award-winning author of *Animal Bodies*, *Bad Tourist*, and *Almost Somewhere*. Named "The Next Great Travel Writer" by National Geographic Traveler, her work appears in The New York Times, Ploughshares, and more.

Lara Gularte, Lalit Kumar, Jillian Makoutz	Poetry	Uncorked Truckee	10118 Donner Pass Rd.
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A Poet Laureate Emeritus of El Dorado County and poetry workshop leader Lara reads a selection of poems from her book *Fourth World Women*. Lalit shares poetry related to nature and adventure in California, including the Lake Tahoe area. He is the author of the poetry books *Yosemite of My Heart* and *Years Spent* and is a columnist for India Currents magazine. Jillian reads from her recently published nature poetry book *Four Seasons in the Sierra*. Other published work by Jillian include poems for Tiny Seeds Literary Journal.

3-3:50 p.m.

Fil Corbit, Kim Bateman	Storytelling	Capitol Theater	10072 Donner Pass Rd., 2nd floor (Alpine Electric)
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Fil is a radio storyteller of *The Wind*, a critically acclaimed podcast exploring our relationship to place. It has aired nationally and internationally on 99% Invisible, Snap Judgement, and BBC's Shortcuts. Kim is the author of *Crossing the Owl's Bridge: A Guide for Grieving People Who Still Love*. She is a clinical psychologist, storyteller, death educator and end-of-life doula. She's also presented a TEDx talk called "Singing Over Bones."

Jesse James Ziegler, J. Macon King, Edward Manzi	Poetry	Craft & Logic Taproom	10192 Donner Pass Rd.
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Jesse James Ziegler is currently serving as Poet Laureate for the City of Reno. He is the Vice President of Spoken Views Collective and the Creative Director for Monday Night Poetry (Voted 2024 Best Open Mic - Reno News & Review.) J. Macon King is a novelist, poet, and publisher of Mill Valley Literary Review. His novelized memoir, *Circus of the Sun*, explores 1979 San Francisco's cultural and political scene. Edward Manzi is a Tahoe City-based poet whose work has appeared in Another Chicago Magazine, Hobart, and Frontier Poetry. His debut collection, *Prisoner Cowboy*, was published in 2023.

Angela Laverghette, Richard Arbib	Fiction	Gallery 5830	10060 Donner Pass Rd.
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Angela is a Northern Nevada-based fantasy author of *The Buried Knight* series, with other works featured in The ACES Anthology. Richard holds a master's in creative writing from San Francisco State University. His award-winning paranormal romance novels include *The Vampire Girl Next Door* and *The Vampire Girl in London*.

Gemma Hartley, Dani Putney, Melanie Perish		Non-fiction	Piper J Gallery	10250 Donner Pass Rd.
Gemma Hartley is the author of <i>Fed Up: Emotional Labor, Women, and the Way Forward</i> , which sparked a global conversation on invisible labor. Her work has appeared in The Washington Post, Glamour, and Harper's Bazaar. Dani Putney is a queer, non-binary, mixed-race Filipinx, and neurodivergent writer originally from Sacramento, California. They are the author of <i>Mix-Mix</i> and <i>Salamat sa Intersectionality</i> , and finalist for the 2022 Lambda Literary Award in Transgender Poetry. Melanie's work has appeared in Sequestum, Sinister Wisdom, Persimmon Tree, Rust & Moth, Ravens Perch, Abandoned Mine, The Meadow, and other publications. Her books include <i>Passions & Gratitudes</i> , <i>The Fishing Poems</i> , and <i>Foreign Voices, Native Tongues</i> .				
Kat Terrey, June Sylvester Saraceno		Poetry	Truckee Artist Lofts, Gallery	9848 Corner of 9848 Donner Pass Road Extension
Karen is the Poet Laureate of Nevada County, writing coach, and founder of Truckee-based Tangled Roots Writing. She'll share poems from her book titled <i>Bite and Blood</i> available in local bookstores. June is a novelist, poet, director of UNR's MFA program and found of Writers in the Woods. She has three full-length poetry books published, including <i>Altars of Ordinary Light</i> , <i>of Dirt and Tar</i> , <i>The Girl From Yesterday</i> , and the poetry chapbook, <i>Mean Girl Trips</i> .				
Liz Tucker, Cathee Van Rossen, Alex Hoeft		Fiction	Uncorked Truckee	10118 Donner Pass Rd.
Liz Tucker is a fiction writer, poet, and playwright. Her work can be found in literary journals, including Transfer Magazine, Red River Review, Aroostook Review, and Ponder Review and is the author of <i>The Pale Flesh of Wood</i> . M.C. St.Clair (Cathee) is a published author, poet, oral storyteller, and alumna of the Community of Writers in Olympic Valley, California. She'll share an excerpt from her debut novel, <i>Mating Habits of Fireflies</i> . Alex shares an excerpt from <i>Who We Thought We Were</i> , a contemporary adult fiction novel, to be published May 2025. She is a reporter for Moonshine Ink and has been published in The New York Times and is an editor for Creation Magazine.				
4-4:50 p.m.				
Bruce Retting, Sue Norman, Priya Hutner		Memoir	Capitol Theater	10072 Donner Pass Rd., 2nd floor (Alpine Electric)
Bruce is an award-winning writer and founding member of Tahoe Writers Works. He shares from his book <i>Refraction: An Arctic Memoir</i> , which has won multiple literary awards, including first place in the San Francisco Writing Contest and the International Chanticleer Book Awards. Weaving stories from her life as an elite athlete and experiences as a late-in-life mom, Sue shares an excerpt from her memoir, <i>RISK, A Live Saved by the River</i> , to be released in June 2025. Priya Hutner is a writer, and co-founder of the Tahoe Literary Festival. She shares an excerpt from her memoir, <i>Chasing for Nirvana: A Seekers Story of Love, Loss and Liberation</i> chronicling her journey growing up in a cult like spiritual community, which will be released in March of 2026				
Emmanuel Rose, Cortney Clio		Children	Gallery 5830	10060 Donner Pass Rd.
Emanuel is an author, marketing expert, and outdoorsman whose <i>Wenaha Henry</i> children's book series is inspired by his love of nature and exploration. Cortney is the author of <i>The Lights That Stay</i> , <i>Sincerely</i> , <i>Antonia</i> , <i>Finally Home</i> , and the <i>Piper's Adventures</i> series. With a background in marketing, she now writes and publishes children's books full-time.				
Jean Fournier, Rachel Richardson		Poetry	Piper J Gallery	10250 Donner Pass Rd.
Reading a selection of poems from her upcoming poetry book <i>Marrow</i> , Jean is a a long-time Truckee resident, poet and expressive artist who performs at Trails & Vistas and leads poetry workshops. Rachel shares poems from her recently published book <i>Smother</i> . A former Stegner and NEA Fellow, her work appears in The Atlantic, The New York Times, and The Yale Review.				
Roxy Hankinson, Meredith Stisser		Fiction	Truckee Artist Lofts, Gallery	9848 Corner of 9848 Donner Pass Road Extension
Roxy reads from her story <i>The Moor Woman</i> , that explores the idea of darkness and the secrets that later illuminates them. Meredith reads from <i>The Perfect Way to Live</i> , her forthcoming auto-fiction novella. Her sculpture work is featured in Piper J Gallery, and her literary work in publications including Points in Case, Birdy, No More Prostitutes, and most routinely on her Substack, Fragmented Collective.				
Matt Schnetter, Will Cooper, Jonathon Grant		Fiction	Uncorked Truckee	10118 Donner Pass Rd.
Awarded Pulp Detective's Best Newcomer of 2015, Matt reads from his mystery novel <i>Old Debts</i> . Currently he's finishing his series, <i>The Black Cape Case Files</i> . William shares from his novel <i>A Quiet Life</i> . His writings have appeared in hundreds of publications globally including The New York Times, CNN, Newsweek, San Francisco Chronicle, Chicago Sun-Times, Huffington Post, Toronto Star, and Jerusalem Post. A true ski-bum at heart, Jonathan reads from his published novella, <i>Snow Valley: Last of the Ski Bums</i> and its mythological bent that uses a ski town's last days as an allegory for indigenous takeover by umbrella mono-culture.				
5-5:45 p.m.				
Dark Skies Open Mic signups				
Theme is Dark Skies. Participants may interpret the theme in any way — poetry, prose, song, storytelling, etc. Each performance is limited to 3 minutes.		All genres	Alibi Ale Works, Truckee Public House	10069 Bridge St.
6-8 p.m.				
Dark Skies Open Mic				
Nevada County Poet Laureate Karen Terrey will host the Open Mic.		<i>Food & drink available for purchase</i>	Alibi Ale Works, Truckee Public House	10069 Bridge St.