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***POETRY LIVE!* Showcase to be Held at Vault Virginia**



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Charlottesville, VA - Live Arts Theater's reIGNITE Season 2021/22 announces our second ***POETRY LIVE!*** showcase hosted by local poet James Cole. ***POETRY LIVE! The World To Come*** will be held at 7pm on Sunday, April 24, 2022, at Vault Virginia, 300 E Main Street, in

Charlottesville. Tickets are Pay-What-You-Can with a suggested ticket price of \$5, and are available through the Box Office, online at livearts.org/tix or by phone at 434-977-4177, and at the door (cash only).

The second installment of ***POETRY LIVE!*** is themed *The World To Come*, and will feature the writing of Browning Porter, J. Thomas Brown, Ronald Berube, Bryan Hancock, and Andie Weaver. These five local community poets will delve into complex questions of legacy, social and environmental awareness, and the impacts of technology on the world around us. Concerns of the present do not exclude concerns for the future. How can our past inform the present, and how can both lead us to a better tomorrow? Perfect for lovers of verse and newcomers alike, ***POETRY LIVE!*** is sure to provoke, intrigue, and entertain.

About The Host

James Cole is a poet, author, and scientist from Roanoke, Virginia. He graduated from The College of William and Mary where he studied neuroscience, creative writing, and medieval history. Currently, he is a graduate student studying sensory neuroscience at The University of Virginia Medical School. His work has appeared in numerous journals and anthologies including *Oddball Magazine*, *Rudderless Mariner*, and *Angel Rust Magazine*. James is the founder of the Charlottesville Poetry Critique Circle, a community organizer for the Live Poets Society, and teaches literary theory and composition at WriterHouse. His first poetry book, *Crow, come home*, was released by VerbalEzyze Press in December of 2019.

About Live Arts

Live Arts is a volunteer-powered, nonprofit community theater in Downtown Charlottesville. Founded in 1990, Live Arts is celebrating 31 years of forging theater and community. The 2021/22 reIGNITE Season is made possible by Season Sponsors Elizabeth and Joe LeVaca, Media Sponsors C-VILLE Weekly and WTJU 91.1FM,

Pay-What-You-Can Sponsor Ting, IT Partner PJ Networks Computer Services, Website Design and Development Partner Convoy, and philanthropic gifts by hundreds of theater lovers in our community.

Live Arts is also supported by grants from Albemarle County, the Bama Works Fund of Dave Matthews Band at the Charlottesville Area Community Foundation, Charlottesville Area Community Foundation, the DN Batten Foundation, and Virginia Commission for the Arts, which receives support from the Virginia General Assembly and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

About Vault Virginia

[Vault Virginia](#) is a membership-based workspace and social club where carefully designed office, coworking, gallery, and event spaces inspire creativity, cultivate curiosity, and promote connection. The Guild at Vault Virginia is a community membership designed to bring everyone together around ideas, culture, and enriching experiences. With room on Vault Virginia's 1st Floor for casual work and meeting space throughout the day, member-driven programming throughout the month, and hospitality from The Bradbury Café, this warm and accessible concept promises to be a unique place of connection for many years to come.

For more information

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CALENDAR Information on *POETRY LIVE!*:

WHO: LIVE ARTS THEATER presents

WHAT: *POETRY LIVE! The World to Come*

POETS: Browning Porter, J. Thomas Brown, Ronald Berube, Bryan Hancock, and Andie Weaver

DATE: Sunday, April 24

SHOWTIME: 7pm

WHERE: Vault Virginia, 300 E Main Street, Charlottesville, VA 22902

TICKETS: Pay-What-You-Can (suggested ticket price \$5); reserve in advance at livearts.org/tix, or cash at the door

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SAFETY: Live Arts prioritizes the health and safety of our volunteers, patrons, and staff by requiring **indoor masks for audience members and full vaccinations for all**. Although this event will be hosted offsite at Vault Virginia, audience members attending *POETRY LIVE!* will be asked to wear a mask and provide proof of vaccination (or negative test result) upon entry. Please visit livearts.org/covid for our current COVID policies.