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## Live Arts Presents *POETRY LIVE!* at Vault Virginia



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**Charlottesville, VA** - Live Arts announces its third installment of the new all-poetry showcase *POETRY LIVE!* at [Vault Virginia](#). The showcase will be hosted by local poet James Cole at 7pm on Sunday, August 21, 2022, at 300 E Main Street in Charlottesville. Tickets are Pay-What-You-Can with a suggested ticket price of \$5, available through the Live Arts Box Office, online at [livearts.org/tix](#) or by phone at 434-977-4177, and at the door (cash only).

This installment of Live Arts' poetry series is entitled *Transformations*, inspired by the upcoming 2022/23 Live Arts Season. Six local poets will explore the nature of change, the mutable qualities of experience, and evolving power of verse in our latest showcase. The evening features readings by James Cole, Audrey Parks, Sara Robinson, Dr. Lesley Wheeler, and more! 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 VerbalEYZE 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 32 years of forging theater and community. The [2022/23 Transformations 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, education sponsor The Local, IT partner PJ Networks Computer Services. The season is sponsored by Allison Partners, The Caplin Foundation, Chaski Global, Pamela Friedman and Ronald Bailey, Barbara and Jay Kessler, Latitude 38, The Madwoman Project at CACF, Panorama Consulting, Silverchair, Strauss Construction, Woodard Properties, George Worthington and Cameron Mowat, and philanthropic gifts by hundreds of theater lovers in our community.

Live Arts is supported by grants from Albemarle County, the BamaWorks Fund of Dave Matthews Band at the Charlottesville Area Community Foundation, Charlottesville Area Community Foundation, the DN Batten Foundation, Bank of America 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**, please contact Marketing & Design Coordinator Katie Rogers at [katie@livearts.org](mailto:katie@livearts.org) or visit [livearts.org](http://livearts.org).

## **CALENDAR Information on *POETRY LIVE!***

**WHO:** LIVE ARTS THEATER presents poets James Cole, Audrey Parks, Sara Robinson, Dr. Lesley Wheeler, and more

**WHAT:** *POETRY LIVE! Transformations*

**DATE:** Sunday, August 21, 2022

**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](http://livearts.org/tix), or cash at the door

**BOX OFFICE:** 434-977-4177 x123 or online at [livearts.org/tix](http://livearts.org/tix)

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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](http://livearts.org/covid) for our current COVID policies.