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The Scarborough Lecture

with

Marc Harshman



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Thursday, September 26, 2024

6:30 pm | Robert C. Byrd
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Allies for Appalachia is a group of individuals supporting the work and outreach of Shepherd University's Center for Appalachian Studies and Communities and its campus programs, with the goal of telling the Appalachian story and enhancing the state and region, economically and culturally. Visit www.shepherd.edu/appallies for more information or to join.



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Marc Harshman is a nationally acclaimed children's book author, storyteller, and Poet Laureate of West Virginia. His collection *Woman in Red Anorak* won the Blue Lynx Prize and was published by Lynx House/University of Washington Press. His collection *Believe What You Can* won the prestigious Weatherford Award for Appalachian Poetry and was named Appalachian Book of the Year by the Tennessee Mountain Heritage Literary Festival. Marc's *Falling Water: The Building of Frank Lloyd Wright's Masterpiece* was an Amazon Book of the Month, and *The Storm* was a Smithsonian Notable Book. Marc's books have been translated into Danish, Korean, Swedish, Spanish, and Japanese. Marc Harshman is the 2024 One Book One WV author, WV Poet Laureate, and he has been selected as the Shepherd University Appalachian Heritage Writer-in-Residence, with the 2025 volume of the *Anthology of Appalachian Writers* devoted to his writing and the theme "Poetry All Around Us."

This program is also supported by the WV Center for the Book, the WV Humanities Council, and the Shepherd University Foundation.



Welcome

Dr. Mary J.C. Hendrix
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Presentation of 2024 Appalachian Heritage Writer's Award to Marc Harshman

Dr. Sylvia Bailey Shurbutt,
Emerita Director, Shepherd University Center for Appalachian Studies and Communities

2024 WV Fiction Competition Awards Presentation

Mr. Marc Harshman & WV Center for the Book

First Prize, \$500

D.W. Gregory's "Moving Day," Shepherdstown, WV

Second Prize, \$100

Jane Ellen Freeman's "Connection," Kearneysville, WV

Third Prize, \$100

Megan Darlene Milam's "Outrunning Borderline," St. Albans, WV

Judges' Choice, \$100

Lucy Grove's "To Anybody Listening," Maysville, WV
Ashley Wilkins' English-grade English Class, Petersburg High School

Fiction Finalists:

Julie Becraft-Shehan's "Blessed," Harpers Ferry, WV
Alania Cole's "Fishing Trip," Wellsburg, WV
E. Randolph Underwood's "The Mentor," Martinsburg, WV
Olivia Myers' "The Creek," Kearneysville, WV

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Mr. Marc Harshman

Please join us for a reception in the Robert C. Byrd Center for Congressional History and Education atrium immediately following the program