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A Celebration of

The Anthology of Appalachian Writers

with

Marc Harshman and Randi Ward



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Tuesday, September 24, 2024
6:30 pm | Scarborough Reading Room

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 the 2024 One Book One WV Common Read Author, WV Poet Laureate, and accomplished poet and children’s author. Marc has been selected as the Shepherd University Writer-in-Residence, with the 2025 volume of the *Anthology of Appalachian Writers* centering on his writing and the theme “Poetry All Around Us.”



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Randi Ward is an accomplished photographer, poet, translator, and lyricist from Belleville, WV. Randi has lived and worked in the Faroe Islands, and she is a two-time winner of the American–Scandinavian Foundation’s Nadia Christensen Prize for literary translation. Randi’s work has been featured on Folk Radio UK, NPR, and PBS News Hour. Her collection *Whipstiches* was published by MadHat Press.

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