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## Cupertino Poet Laureate, Swanton Brown to Commemorate Chaos Never Dies Day Readings November 13<sup>th</sup>, 7pm at Euphrat Museum of Art, De Anza College

NOVEMBER 3, 2014 -- CUPERTINO, CA—Cupertino's Poet Laureate, Jennifer Swanton-Brown, will present the third in a series of three poetry readings titled 'Unsung Holidays' on Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 7pm at Euphrat Museum, Visual and Performing Arts Center, DeAnza College in Cupertino.

Other featured poets for the evening are Santa Clara County Poet Laureate David Perez, and the adult winner of the 2013 Cupertino Library Foundation's Silicon Valley Reads poetry contest, Kim Johnson.

There is no charge for this event, to be held on *World Kindness Day*, and celebrating Chaos, and sponsored by the City of Cupertino, the Cupertino Library Commission, the Cupertino Library Foundation and Friends of the Cupertino Library.

"The variety of events this year," commented Swanton Brown, "has enabled me to touch the many and varied groups in Cupertino. It keeps me energized, and hopefully, encourages others to write poetry."

Perez currently serves as the 2014-15 Poet Laureate of Santa Clara County. He is a recipient of the Arts Council Silicon Valley Fellowship for Literary Art, a repeat guest on the NPR storytelling series "Snap Judgment," and author of the poetry collection, "Love in a Time of Robot Apocalypse" from Write Bloody Publishing. In 2012, he was voted "Best Author in the Bay" by the SF Bay Guardian. He currently lives in San Jose.

Johnson was named the 2013 Grand Prize Winner in the adult category for the Library Foundation Silicon Valley Reads poetry contest. She won \$350 for her poem related to one of the featured books about technology.

The Cupertino Library operates Monday through Thursday 10AM-9PM; Friday and Saturday, 10AM-6PM; and Sunday, noon-6PM. www.sccl.org

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