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San Antonio's Writing Arts Center

Inkstravaganza 2023

FELLOW TRAVELERS: CELEBRATING THE POETIC JOURNEYS OF JENNY BROWNE

Join us for the Literary Fiesta of the Season!

Friday, November 10th, 6:30-9:30pm

at the McNay Art Museum in the Moroccan Courtyard and Leeper Auditorium

2023 Award for Literary Excellence

Jenny Browne

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A Magical Night Celebrating Jenny Browne

Join Gemini Ink, San Antonio's Writing Arts Center, at the beautiful McNay Art Museum on Friday, November 10th, for an unforgettable, festive evening celebrating the extraordinary achievements of Jenny Browne, our 2023 Recipient of The Award for Literary Excellence. Enjoy our star-packed lineup and mingle with friends and fellow literary fans as we honor this brilliant poet and global traveler, who maps so many worlds in her poems.

A prolific poet, beloved educator, and dynamic literary citizen at home and abroad, Jenny Browne served concurrent terms as City of San Antonio Poet Laureate (2016-18) and Poet Laureate of the State of Texas (2017) and, in 2020, was Distinguished Fulbright Scholar in Creative Writing at the Seamus Heaney Centre, Queens University, in Belfast, Northern Ireland. She is the author of four collections: *Fellow Travelers: New and Selected Poems* (2019), *Dear Stranger* (2014), *The Second Reason* (2007), and *At Once* (2003). Other awards include a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship in Poetry and the Cecil Hemley Award from the Poetry Society of America. She has been an integral part of the Trinity University faculty for 15 years, having joined the Department of English in 2007, where she currently teaches courses in creative writing and environmental studies, as well as co-directs Women and Gender Studies.

A transformative community voice for the impact of literature in our lives, Jenny Browne is a life-changing mentor for young writers and one whose many travels have shaped her commitment to literature as a means of opening minds, cultivating imagination, and creating empathy for people and places beyond one's own skyline. This evening will be a celebratory night in honor of the poetic journeys of Jenny Browne and her generous and groundbreaking contributions to literary communities in our city and beyond.





Dr. Vanessa B. Beasley



Naomi Shihab Nye



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**Join us in honoring Jenny Browne and celebrate the
empowering impact of the arts with Gemini Ink!**

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Sponsorship Levels

I'm Trying to Love the Whole World—\$10,000

- 10 tickets to our magical night at the McNay Art Museum, including live music, a tasty assortment of foods catered by Page Barteau, and a stellar program in honor of Jenny Browne.
- 4 bottles of champagne for you and your guests!
- A signed, limited-edition chapbook for you and your guests featuring the poetry of Jenny Browne paired with the artwork of Joey Fauerso.
- Premiere sponsor recognition on our website, social media, and print materials, and a special mention by our emcee the night of the gala.
- Swag bags for you and your guests including raffle tickets and complimentary Tito's Handmade Vodka to enjoy our signature cocktail at home.
- Receive ten pre-pub copies for you and your guests of the forthcoming anthology—*Texas, Being: A State of Poems* (Trinity University Press, April 2024)—edited by Jenny Browne; books delivered in March '24.
- Special invite to VIP meet-and-greet at our Inkstravaganza public author talk, "The Place of Poetry," on October 19th, with Jenny Browne and award-winning eco-writer, Camille T. Dungy.
- A private dinner with Jenny Browne and 7 of your guests for an unforgettable literary evening.

St. Anthony's Lost and Found—\$7,500

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Fellow Travelers—\$5000

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Texas, Being—\$3500

- 10 tickets to our magical night at the McNay Art Museum, including live music, a tasty assortment of foods catered by Page Barteau, and a stellar program in honor of Jenny Browne.
- 2 bottles of champagne for you and your guests!
- A signed, limited-edition chapbook for you and your guests featuring the poetry of Jenny Browne paired with the artwork of Joey Fauerso.
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Looking for Luckenbach—\$2500

- 8 tickets to our magical night at the McNay Art Museum, including live music, a tasty assortment of foods catered by Page Barteau, and a stellar program in honor of Jenny Browne.
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- A signed, limited-edition print for you and your guests featuring the stunning poetry of Jenny Browne.
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Love Letter to a Stranger—\$1800

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- Premiere sponsor recognition on our website, social media, and print materials.
- Swag bags for you and your guests including raffle tickets, Gemini Ink anthologies of youth writing, and complimentary Tito's Handmade Vodka to enjoy our signature cocktail at home.

Indiana Elegy—\$750*

- 4 tickets to our magical night at the McNay Art Museum, including live music, a tasty assortment of foods catered by Page Barteau, and a stellar program in honor of Jenny Browne.
- Name recognition on website and social media.
- Swag bags for you and 3 guests including raffle tickets, Gemini Ink anthologies of youth writing, and complimentary Tito's Handmade Vodka to enjoy our signature cocktail at home.

Welcome to Freetown—\$200*

- 2 tickets to our magical night at the McNay Art Museum, including live music, a tasty assortment of foods catered by Page Barteau, and a stellar program in honor of Jenny Browne.
- 2 raffle tickets for you and a friend for a chance at our featured raffle prize of the night!

Apache Plume—\$125*

- Single ticket to our magical night at the McNay Art Museum, including live music, a tasty assortment of foods catered by Page Barteau, and a stellar program in honor of Jenny Browne.

*Due to event popularity, we cannot guarantee that individuals will be seated at a specific table of their choosing.

Any donation is welcome to support our writing arts mission!

Our strategic vision is to help 12,000 people
bring their stories to life by 2024.

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