

Mountain Writers Series

LOU LIPSITZ & B. T. SHAW



Poetry Reading

7:30 PM

Wednesday

June 22, 2011

23 Sandy Gallery
623 NE 23rd Avenue
Portland

Suggested Donation \$5



Reading by winners of the 2007 & 2010 Blue Lynx Poetry Prize

—**Lou Lipsitz** is the author of four full-length books of poems, most recently, *If This World Falls Apart*, which won the 2010 Blue Lynx Prize for Poetry from Lynx House Press. Other books include *Cold Water* (Wesleyan University Press, 1967) and *Seeking the Hook* (1997), about which George Hitchcock wrote: "These are poems of clarity, wit and passion. The best of them are the equal of anything now being written in America." For many years a professor of political science at the University of North Carolina, since 1995 Mr. Lipsitz has been a practicing psychotherapist.

—**B.T. Shaw** was born and raised in central Ohio near her great-grandparents' homestead. Her early career was spent covering politics and the environment for a daily paper in Jacksonville, N.C., home to Camp Lejeune. These days, she reviews books and edits the Poetry column for *The Oregonian*, and teaches writing at Portland State and the Independent Publishing Resource Center. Her first book, *This Dirty Little Heart*, won the 2007 Blue Lynx Prize for Poetry and was published by Eastern Washington University Press. She's now working on poems about love and war, drawn in part from her experience as a journalist in a Marine Corps community.

