

Mountain Writers Series Readings at The Press Club

VERLENA ORR & MICHAEL SELKER

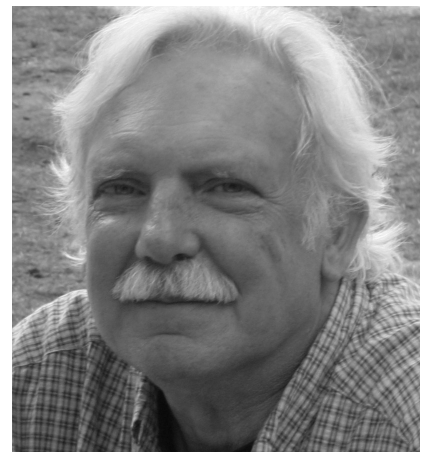


Poetry Reading
7:30 PM, Wednesday

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The Press Club
2621 SE Clinton
Portland OR

Suggested Donation \$5



—**Verlena Orr** is the author of a full-length collection of poetry, *Break in the Cloud Cover* (Howlett Press, 2005) and three chapbooks: *I Dance September Naked in a Dream*, *Woman Who Hears Voices*, and, most recently, *One More Time from the Beginning* (Stone City Press, 2007). The recipient of an MFA from the University of Montana, Verlena Orr has published poems in numerous literary magazines, both in the US and the UK, and has twice been nominated for a Pushcart Prize. She held any number of jobs—as a social worker, ranch hand, landlord, college instructor of poetry and creative writing—before retiring from day jobs to devote herself to the real work of writing poems. She lives in NW Portland.

—**Michael Selker** is a painter, photographer and poet. After graduating from the University of California at Santa Barbara, he pursued his interests in photography, painting and carpentry, making a living for many years in California selling his water-colors in galleries and doing carpentry on numerous remodeling and building projects. After moving to Oregon in the '80s, he again began writing poetry and became an active member and supporter of the Mountain Writers Center. In fall 2007, his chapbook of poetry, *Crazies' Bus Stop*, was published by Pudding House Press. A member of the Blue Sky Gallery and Photography Collective, Selker continues as well with his work in photography. He lives in SE Portland.



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