The Southeast Chapter of The Haiku Society of America presents its 2nd Annual Ginko Haikufest: “gazing at flowers” in celebration of Koboyashi Issa’s 250th birthday.

Friday, October 25 - Sunday, October 27, 2013

Artmore Hotel - Atlanta, Georgia

Featuring a special celebratory reading by HSA President, David Lanoue

(attendees are encouraged to bring along their favorite Issa poems)

Workshop presenters to include:

Robert Moyer - Dave Russo - Laurence Stacey

Tom Painting - Robyn Hood Black - Curtis Dunlap

With sumi-e brushpainting workshop and taiko drum troupe performance from members of The Japan - America Society of Georgia

in this world
we walk on the roof of hell
gazing at flowers
Kobayashi Issa, 1763 -1827

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David G. Lanoue is a professor of English at Xavier University of Louisiana. He is a co-founder of the New Orleans Haiku Society, an associate member of the Haiku Foundation, and the president of the Haiku Society of America. His books include Pure Land Haiku: The Art of Priest Issa, Haiku Guy, Laughing Buddha, Haiku Wars, Frog Poet, Dewdrop World and Issa’s Best: A Translator’s Selection of Master Haiku. He maintains The Haiku of Kobayashi Issa website, for which he has translated 10,000 of Issa’s haiku.

Dave Russo’s haiku have appeared in Frogpond, Modern Haiku, Acorn, and other journals. He is included in the New Resonance 5 anthology from Red Moon Press. Dave organizes events for the North Carolina Haiku Society and is the web administrator for the NCHS and The Haiku Foundation.

Robert Moyer wrote haiku in Winston Salem, N.C., for six years before he ever submitted anything. Since that time he has published in numerous journals and anthologies. He also edited Chasing the Sun, an anthology of haiku about Winston Salem and is active in teaching haiku to children. He is a writer, teacher, artist, dancer and performer.

Laurence Stacey is a recent graduate of Kennesaw State University, in Kennesaw, Georgia. A published haiku poet, he is co-editor of Haiku News, a web-zine dedicated to presenting world events through the lens of haiku and its related styles. Laurence desires to increase awareness of the hakai arts on an academic and non-academic level.
Robyn Hood Black is a children’s author, poet, and artist from Georgia. Her books include SIR MIKE (Scholastic) and WOLVES (Intervisual Books). Her poetry has appeared in THE ARROW FINDS ITS MARK (Roaring Brook Press) and in THE POETRY FRIDAY ANTHOLOGY and THE POETRY FRIDAY ANTHOLOGY FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL (Pomelo Books). Her writings and haiku have appeared in numerous online and print journals. She also creates “art for your literary side” through her art business, artsyletters.

Curtis Dunlap lives near the confluence of the Mayo and Dan rivers in Mayodan, North Carolina. His poems have been published in a variety of journals including The Christian Science Monitor, The Dead Mule School of Southern Literature, Floyd County Moonshine, Frogpond, The Heron’s Nest, Magnapoets, Modern Haiku, Rusty Truck, Sketchbook, Thunder Sandwich and The Wild Goose Poetry Review. He was awarded the Museum of Haiku Literature Award in 2008. His website is www.tobaccoroadpoet.com.

We are honored to have members of the Japan-America Society of Georgia joining us this year. They will be instructing conference attendees in the art of sumi-e brush painting and also entertaining us Saturday evening with a taiko drum performance!
Special Food & Lodging Package

$169.00 single occupancy
$102.00 per person, double occupancy

(Package includes room, complimentary wi-fi, parking, Friday night hors d’oeuvres, Saturday breakfast, lunch, and all day beverage station, Sunday breakfast)

Please call the Artmore Hotel @ 404-876-6100 for reservations

Conference Fee

$35.00 per person for those staying at the Artmore.

$70.00 per person for those not staying at the Artmore.
(Additional $35.00 covers all food and parking)

Name:_______________________________________
Address:_____________________________________

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HSA member_____ Non-member_____
(membership information @ www.hsa-haiku.org/join.htm

Make check payable to Terri French and send to 1901 W. Tupelo Dr., Huntsville, AL 35803. Deadline for registration is September 15, 2013.

Facebook event link at:
https://www.facebook.com/events/418063954956424/