

PSI Online Fall Rendezvous Schedule

Friday, Oct 16		
7:00-9:00pm	Round Robin	Read your poems aloud to the group. Come to read or just to listen. We'll get in as many rounds as time allows, so bring several poems. All are welcome to participate.
Saturday, Oct 17		
9:30-10:00a	Socializing	Socializing is one of our favorite parts of any PSI event, so we wanted to include a time to just chat among participants. Come early for the business meeting and answer fun warm-up questions about what you've been up to over chat and microphone. This session will be moderated to give all a turn to speak if they choose.
10:00-10:30a	Business Meeting	Minutes, Treasurer's Report, Contest Reports, Old Business, New Business...all the classic hits! President Deborah Petersen updates us on where PSI stands today. We will also be holding elections for President, 1st Vice President, and 2nd Vice President. All may attend, though only PSI members may vote on business items.
10:30-11:00a	Club reports, members share personal writing news and opportunities	The spotlight is on YOU! We want to hear how clubs are weathering the pandemic, recent publication successes among our members, etc. This is also your chance to plug events and callouts with the group. This is the time to share shameless plugs in the chat box and links to your books and events.
11:00a-12:00p	Annual Contest Results - Round 1	David Allen, Contest Director and 1VP, hosts the awards ceremony for PSI's Annual Contest. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place poems of each category will be read aloud. We have 23 categories, so contest results will be broken into three sessions.
12:00-2:00p	Lunch break	
2-3pm	Writing in Adversity	Do hard times inspire us to write more, or dampen our creative spirit? We'll have an honest conversation about how living in trying times impacts us as writers, and explain why whatever our reaction is as artists, that's perfectly normal! We'll exchange tips and insights on using our writing to get through the tough times, and look at how poets of the past have struggled and thrived in their own times of adversity. This is the Premier Poet's session, led by Sarah E. Morin.
3:00-3:30p	Meet Folks from Nationals	There are lots of active and supportive poets outside Indiana! Deborah Petersen hosts special guests from our national organization, NFSPS, in a brief getting-to-know-you session.
3:30-4:00p	Annual Contest Results - Round 2	David Allen announces more winners.
4:00-6:30p	Dinner Break	
6:30p-?	Annual Contest Results - Round 3	David Allen announces more winners. We will continue as long as necessary to get through all 23 categories.
	Concluding Comments	