

# Words out Loud Poetry Reading



Compass Art Center

*In Person:*  
10335 Kensington Parkway  
Kensington, Maryland

*Zoomable:*  
<https://bit.ly/4g6ELHZ>

Friday, September 13, 2024  
6 PM, U.S. Eastern Time



**Jared Smith's** 16th book, *A Sphere Surrounded by Fires and Life*, has just been released by NYQ Books. His poetry has been published in hundreds of journals and anthologies and been adapted for the stage in New York and Chicago. He has served on the editorial staffs of several journals, including *The New York Quarterly* and *Home Planet News* as well as on the boards of literary and arts non-profits. He lives in Ellicott City, MD.



**Thea Brown** is the author of three collections of poetry, most recently *Loner Forensics* (Northwestern University Press 2023). Her poems are forthcoming or have appeared in *River Styx*, *Oversound*, *LitHub*, and elsewhere. She lives in Baltimore and teaches creative writing at the George Washington University.

Plus Brief Open Mic

Come for the Poetry  
Stay for the Gallery  
Reception and Art  
Complimentary Nibbles  
and Wine

