

# Northern Woodlands Conference

Friday, October 20 – Sunday, October 22, 2017

Hulbert Outdoor Center, Fairlee, Vermont

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## Friday, October 20

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| 4:00 – 5:00 pm  | Registration  |
| 5:00 – 6:00 pm  | <b>Social Hour</b>  |
| 6:00 – 7:00 pm  | <b>Dinner</b>   |
| 7:30 – 8:30 pm  | Presentation by Artist Kathleen Kolb and Poet Verandah Porche: Shedding Light on the Working Forest |
| 8:30 – whenever | Music & Poetry Night – Poetry reading & music with Verandah Porche, Celia Evans & others            |

## Saturday, October 21

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| 6:45 – 7:45 am | Early Bird Woods Walk  |
| 7:30 – 8:30 am | <b>Breakfast</b>   |
| 8:00 – 8:30 am | Registration, continued  |
| 8:45 – 9:30 am | <b>Keynote Address: The Songs of Trees, with David George Haskell</b><br><i>Professor at the University of the South and author of The Songs of Trees (2017) and The Forest Unseen (2012), winner of multiple book awards and finalist for the 2013 Pulitzer Prize in General Nonfiction</i> |
| 9:30 – 9:45 am | <b>Break</b>   |

## Morning Sessions

(Choose TWO 1 hour sessions A & B, or ONE 2 hour session)

### Morning Session A (1 Hour)

9:45 – 10:45 am

1. A Reading and Discussion of Tim Weed's New Fiction Collection, *A Field Guide to Murder and Fly Fishing* (Green Writers Press 2017)
2. Short and Sweet: The Power of the Seven-Minute Writing Prompt with Gary Lee Miller
3. Outdoor workshop: New Tools for Plant Identification with Jerry Jenkins
4. Seaweed: Managing the Underwater Forest with Robin Seeley

## **Morning Session B (1 Hour)**

**11:00 – 12:00 pm**

1. Forests and Climate Change: What Do We know? An informal talk with Jennifer Hushaw
2. Living Maps: Writing Setting as a Character with Sean Prentiss
3. Water Sampling Workshop with Declan McCabe

## **Two Hour Morning Sessions AB (these sessions fill the full morning period)**

**9:45 – 12:00 pm**

1. Nature Illustration with Adelaide Tyrol & Nona Estrin
2. Writing Workshop: *Presenter to be announced*

**12:00 – 1:00 pm**      **Lunch** - Dining Hall

**1:15 – 2:45 pm**      **Plenary Session: Presentation by Julie Zickefoose, *Baby Birds – an Artist Looks Into the Nest***  
*Artist, writer and naturalist, author of Letters from Eden, The Bluebird Effect, as well as the book featured in this presentation*

**2:45 – 3:00 pm**      **Break**

## **Afternoon Sessions**

*(Choose TWO 1 hour sessions A & B, or ONE 2 hour session)*

### **Afternoon Session A (1 Hour)**

**3:00 – 4:00 pm**

1. Publisher Panel Discussion
2. Selected Readings and Discussion with Author Castle Freeman
3. Woods Walk
4. Finding Home: How Bees Select New Hive Locations in the Woods with Thomas Seeley

### **Afternoon Session B (1 Hour)**

**4:15 – 5:15 pm**

1. Jerry Jenkins – Ecological Graphics (images from the Northern Forest Atlas Project)
2. Art, Science & The Outside Story - an informal conversation with Verandah Porche, Kathleen Kolb & others
3. Poetry reading with Dede Cummings
4. Writing workshop – *details pending*

## **Two Hour Afternoon Sessions AB (these sessions fill all or most of the afternoon period)**

**3:00 – 5:00 pm**

1. Terry Osborne & Patrick White: Place In Mind writing workshop
2. Contemplative Practices in Ecology and Creative Writing Education with David George Haskell

**5:00 – 6:00 pm**      **Social Hour**

**6:00 – 7:00 pm**      **Dinner**

**7:30 – whenever**      **Saturday Night Open Mic** – Come share your short stories, poems, songs, coyote howls, and other creative endeavors

## **Sunday, October 22**

**7:30 – 8:30 am**      **Breakfast & Thank You**

**8:30 am**      **Check-out of Cabins**

**8:45 – 10:30 am**      **Plenary Session: Presentation by Thomas D. Seeley**  
*Horace White Professor of Biology, Cornell University and author of Honeybee Democracy, and Following the Wild Bees*

**11:00 am**      **Check-out**

**Register Today:** <http://northernwoodlands.org/writersconference>