

# THE MUSE NEWS

## POETRY WEST NEWSLETTER

November 2008

### MEETING:

Soham Patel will lead a workshop for Poetry West, Saturday, November 1, 2008, from 10:00 a.m.-noon, Worner Center, Room 213, Colorado College Campus, 902 N. Cascade Avenue.

The workshop will focus on several Asian Poetic Forms. We will learn about forms from Japan, Thailand, Vietnam, and Korea and see how contemporary Asian American writers like Kimiko Hahn and Shirley Geok-Lin Lim employ these forms or versions of these forms in their writing. The workshop will also examine and practice recently emerged hybrid forms, like the American lunc.

Soham Patel has a MA in English with an emphasis in Creative Writing from Western Washington University. Her work is forthcoming in Boxcar Poetry Review. She is featured in the UC-Denver Literary Magazine, Copper Nickel's Special Issue on Women Writing the American West. Her poems and prose also have appeared in Stirling, SHAMPOO Poetry, Cranky Literary Journal and Malleable Jangle, a literary magazine based out of Australia. She has been a reader for the Bellingham Review and taught courses in World Literature at Anand Arts College in Gujarat, India. Soham has been a managing editor for Pikes Peak Community College's Almagre Arts Journal. She is a Kundiman fellow and teaches writing at UCCS.

### MUSINGS:

**Steven D. Schroeder** writes: My first full-length book of poetry, *Torched Verse Ends*, has been accepted for publication by BlazeVOX, a small press that describes itself as a "publisher of weird little books." My book will appear in Spring 2009.

**Nico Alvarado-Greenwood, Tony Friedhoff, Mary Margaret "Mia" Nussbaum,** and **Soham Patel** will read their poems at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 11, in the film screening auditorium of Colorado College's Edith Kinney Gaylord Cornerstone Arts Center, 825 N. Cascade Ave. Between them, these Colorado Springs poets have work in or forthcoming from *The Iowa Review*, *Thermos*, *h-ngm-n*, *Black Warrior*

Review, Pleiades, Cranky, SHAMPOO, among others. Attend this free reading to hear the widely and wildly ranging work of these young poets.

**DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER:** Please submit any items for the next newsletter to [Fawnbell@gmail.com](mailto:Fawnbell@gmail.com) by Tuesday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>. I will be leaving town for a week so this is a firm deadline if I am to get the newsletter out before my departure. December will be my last newsletter as your editor. Thank you for your patience and suggestions as I have limped along. So far, Julianza is the only member who has expressed an interest in being the next editor beginning in 2009. If you are interested, please do not hesitate to contact Ceil or Frances. Happy Halloween and happy voting!