

Poetry in a Time of Change

- Instructor:** Dr. Robert Lapp; rlapp@mta.ca
- Date/Time:** Thursday; Jan 25; 2:30 – 4:00pm
- First class:** Thursday; Jan 25 (1 Session/s)
- Location:** Bill Johnston Room
- Participants:** Min: 5; Max: 30

Course Outline:

Can poetry help us understand the many changes our world is going through? This course answers “yes!” and offers as proof a series of short, lively, and accessible poems written over the last 200 years. Recently retired Mount A professor Robert Lapp will read a variety of poems drawn from 25 years of teaching undergraduates, and from five years as “The Poetry Lover” on CBC Radio Shift. Dr. Lapp will show how poems and well-chosen words can give shape to our darkest thoughts and fears, help us put words around difficult emotions, and at the same time offer perspective, insight, and hope in our times of crisis and change.

Instructor Bio:

Robert Lapp is a recently retired professor of English Literature at Mount Allison, where for 25 years he taught 18th- and 19th-century British Literature, poetry, and ecological literature.

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