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September 11th Poetry Reading

Santa Barbara, CA (August 26, 2004) – As part of the International Day of Poetry commemorating September 11th, the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation will host a poetry reading featuring local poets who will be reading original works as well as poems by other leading poets. The event will take place on Saturday, September 11th, 2004 in the Faulkner Gallery at the Santa Barbara Public Library from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. The event is free and open to the public.

The International Day of Poetry was initiated by Poets Against the War calling upon poets from around the world to remember the innocent victims of the World Trade Center and Pentagon, as well as the innocent victims who died in Afghanistan and Iraq because of the US response to the events of September 11th. The International Day of Poetry will also remember the innocent victims of the US-sponsored over-throwing of the Allende government in Chile and of the lives lost in the Attica prison riots, also events that happened on a September 11th in their respective years.

Local poets participating in the poetry reading in Santa Barbara, local poets include: Mary Rose Betten, Chella Courington, Lacy David, Marsha De L'O, Walt Hopmans, Alex Jestrab, Ellen Kelly, Christine Kravetz, David Krieger, Peter Lackner, Betty LoMele, Perie Longo, Pamela Rippey, Barry Spacks, David Starkey, Phil Taggart and Victoria White. Sudama (Mark Kennedy) will also play original composition on the Shakuhachi.

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Copies of the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation's poetry anthology, The Poetry of Peace, that includes the winning poems in the Foundation's Barbara Mandigo Kelly Peace Poetry Awards, will be available for purchase.

More information on Poets Against the War can be found at www.poetsagainsthewar.org. More information on the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation and the Barbara Mandigo Kelly Peace Poetry Awards can be found at www.wagingpeace.org.

For more than 20 years, the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation has been committed to advancing initiatives to eliminate the nuclear weapons threat to all life, to fostering the global rule of law, and to building an enduring legacy of peace through education and advocacy. The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation is a non-profit, non-partisan international organization on the Roster in consultative status to the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

To attend and participate in the poetry reading, please RSVP to the Foundation at (805) 965 3443.

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