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POETRY CENTER AT PASSAIC COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Distinguished Poets Series

presents

KEVIN CLARK AND JIM REESE

December 4 1:00 p.m.

Hamilton Club – Paterson Campus

32 Church Street

Open Reading and Reception – Admission Free

Writing workshops by each poet 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Fee: \$10.00 Pre-Registration Required

973-684-6555 or www.pccc.edu/poetry

The Hamilton Club building is wheelchair accessible. Other services, such as large print materials and FM assistive listening devices, are available on request. Parking will be available in the Passaic County Community College parking lot #3 on College Blvd., between Memorial Drive and Church Street. For further information, contact the Poetry Center at (973) 684-6555 or 5444 or visit www.pccc.edu/poetry.

ABOUT THE POETS

Kevin Clark's book *Self-Portrait with Expletives* won the Lena-Miles Wever Todd Poetry Series Book Competition, and is published by Pleiades Press and distributed by LSU Press. His first full-length collection, *In the Evening of No Warning*, earned a grant from the Academy of American Poets. Clark's poetry has appeared in the *Georgia*, *Iowa*, and *Antioch Reviews*. He teaches American literature and creative writing at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo, and during the summers he teaches at The Rainier Writing Workshop, a low-residency MFA program in Tacoma.

Jim Reese is an Associate Professor of English; Director of the Great Plains Writers' Tour at Mount Marty College in Yankton, South Dakota; and Editor-in-Chief of *PADDLEFISH*. Reese's poetry and prose have been widely published, most recently in *New York Quarterly*, *Poetry East*, *Prairie Schooner*, *Paterson Literary Review*, and *Louisiana Literature Review*. His new book *ghost on 3rd* (New York Quarterly Books 2010), includes Pushcart Prize nominated poems. Reese has been the National Endowment for the Art's Writer-in-Residence at the Yankton Federal Prison Camp since 2008.

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