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Renowned Poet and Editor to Visit Eastern

Willimantic, CT— Sam Hamill, poet and founding editor of Copper Canyon Press, will visit Eastern Connecticut State University on Oct. 12.

Hamill will read from his poetry, including poems from his newest collection “Measured By Stone,” printed by Curbstone Press in Willimantic, at Eastern’s New Student Center Theatre at 7 p.m. The reading is sponsored by the Eastern and University of Connecticut English departments, and will be the inaugural reading in the new Ghost Train Reading Series, designed to bring writers to Eastern’s and UConn’s campus for readings and meetings with students.

Hamill is the author of 15 volumes of poetry and has translated poetry from ancient Greek, Latin, Estonian, Japanese and Chinese. His poetry also has been translated into more than a dozen languages. Hamill has taught in prisons for 14 years, in artist-in-residency programs for 20 years and also with battered women and children. In addition to Copper Canyon Press, he is the founder and director of Poets Against War, for which he compiled the largest single-theme anthology in history, and edited the best-selling selection, “Poets Against the War.”

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