

Lifelines:

Writing Poetry from Life Experience

April 30, 1-5 p.m. | \$59

Village Books in Fairhaven

Presented by Chuckanut Writers, a collaboration of Village Books and Whatcom Community College

This one-day workshop, open to all and especially tailored for senior citizens, will explore ways to express our experiences—present or past—in poetry.

Instructor Ryler Dustin will focus on demystifying craft elements such as form and metaphor. At the same time, he will help students to unlock a natural voice while exploring complex, delightful, or even challenging memories.

To register, visit www.whatcomcommunityed.com, or call Whatcom Community Education at 360-383-3200.



Ryler Dustin's poems have been featured in literary journals across the country, on the front page of the *Bellingham Herald*, and in poetry venues such as New York's *Nuyorican Poet's Café*. A finalist in the Individual World Poetry Slam, he has taught creative writing at Western Washington University and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. His first poetry collection, *Heavy Lead Birdsong*, is available through Write Bloody Publishing and Village Books. To learn more, visit www.rylerdustin.com