

2013 CHILDREN'S POETRY HOUR

January 19

Illinois Poets, Past and Present

February 16

African American Poetry

March 16

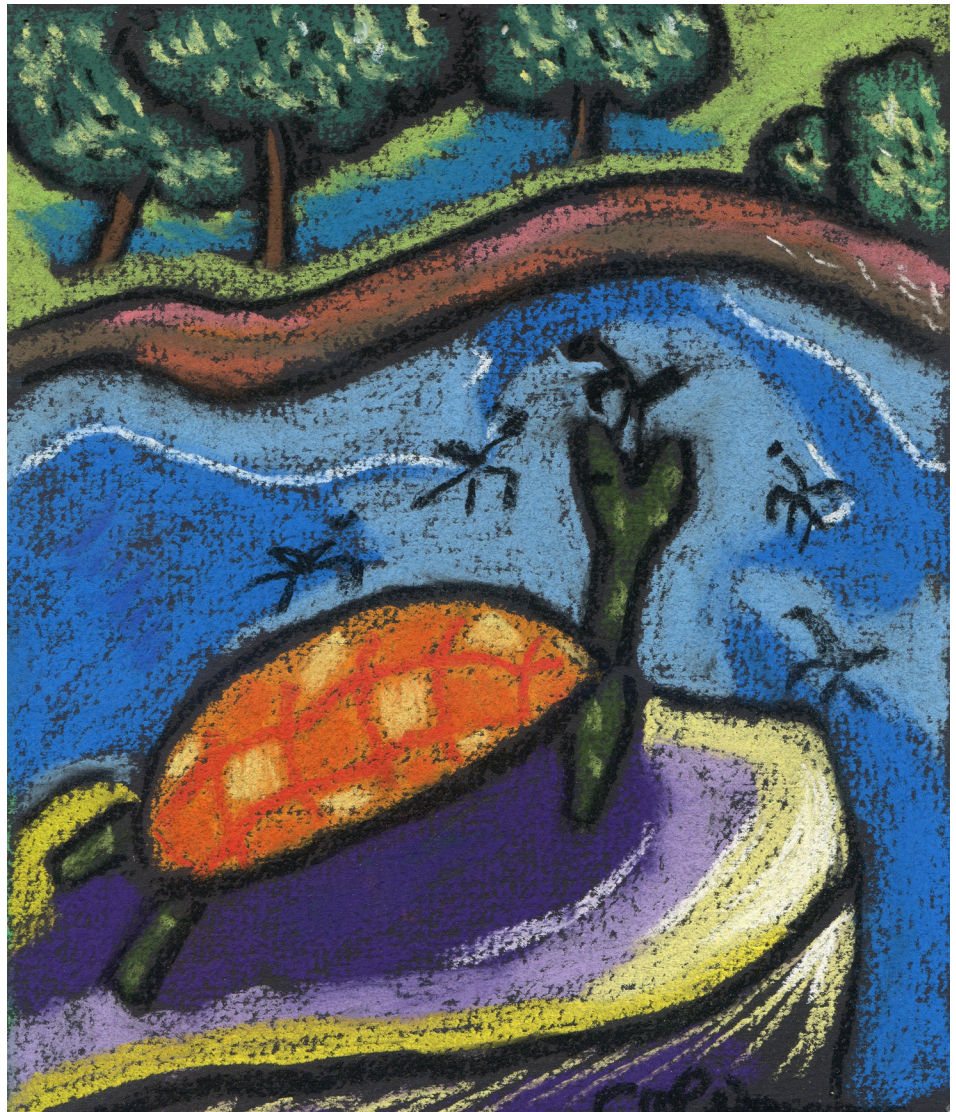
Poems of Spring

April 20

Ars Poetica, Poems on Poems

May 18

School is Out! Summer Poems



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VACHEL LINDSAY HOME - 10 A.M.

ESTABLISHED IN 1946, the Vachel Lindsay Association (VLA) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to stimulate interest in the significance of the life, writings, works of art, and legacy of the poet Nicholas Vachel Lindsay. More recently, our mission has been expanded to include assisting whenever possible in the preservation and maintenance of the Vachel Lindsay Home and grounds. From holding to special history and art related events at the Vachel Lindsay Home to offering workshops for educators and community members interested in Vachel and all art forms of creative endeavor, the VLA strives to keep Vachel's "Gospel of Beauty" alive and well.
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The Little Turtle



a poem by Vachel Lindsay
illustrations by George Collin

Little turtles love to swim and climb. They love to snap at what is passing by. Mosquitoes. Minnows. Even fleas. While little fingers might need to be wary of Vachel Lindsay's little turtle—little minds will be caught up in this engaging poem and its vibrant illustrations by renowned folk artist George Collin.

"My uncle liked to make poems and he made one for me. He called it 'The Little Turtle,' for Martha Wicksfield, two years old."
Martha Wicksfield Falcone



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The Little Turtle
(A Bookman Jr.
Book) Illustrated
Three Hours Old

There was a little turtle.
He lived in a hole.
He swam in a puddle.
He climbed on the rocks.

He snapped at a mosquito.
He snapped at a flea.
He swayed at a minnow.
And he snapped at me.

He caught the mosquito.
He caught the flea.
He caught the minnow.
But he didn't catch me.

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