



**Washington
State
Poet
Laureate**

***Kathleen
Flenniken***

May 14

3:30–4 p.m.

Coffee, cookies, informal reading and book signing—LCC Bookstore

7–8 p.m.

Reading—magazine room of the Longview Public Library

Kathleen Flenniken, the 2012–2014 Washington State Poet Laureate, holds engineering degrees from Washington State University and the University of Washington, as well as a Master of Fine Arts degree from Pacific Lutheran University.

President of Floating Bridge Press, a nonprofit organization dedicated to publishing Washington poets, she teaches poetry writing to students of all ages, with the support of arts organizations including WSAC, Seattle Arts & Lectures' Writers in the Schools program, Jack Straw Productions, and Northwest Voices.

Her new collection, ***Plume*** (University of Washington Press), is a meditation on the Hanford Nuclear Site. Her first book, ***Famous*** (University of Nebraska Press), won the Prairie Schooner Book Prize in Poetry, was named a Notable Book by the American Library Association.



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