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**Hartford's Poet Priest Shares Writings and Conversation in Special Library Event**

HARTFORD, Connecticut (November 8, 2013) – A Hartford priest and poet who sees the miraculous in everyday life will make a special presentation on his life and poetry from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 17, in the Center for Contemporary Culture at Hartford Public Library.

The Rev. Henry C. Frascadore will share his poetry and spiritual insights in an intimate conversation with Hartford Public Library CEO Matt Poland in this Sunday presentation to which all are welcome.

Now retired, Father Frascadore, who served over a half century as a high school teacher, school administrator, and Catholic priest for the Archdiocese of Hartford, offers a message to people of all faiths and beliefs, as he shares his poems and thoughts on a living each day filled with richness and appreciation for each moment.

“This moving poetry and prose speaks to the heart of living with joy and embracing the smallest moments that make life so rich,” said Poland. “It is this uplifting lesson that will touch attendees from all walks of life, with all varieties of experiences.”

At the special November 17 presentation, the author will sign copies of his two collections of poetry, *Beyond the Weeping Willow Tree* and *Conversations After Sunset*, read from his books, and engage in meaningful discussion.

Father Frascadore's presentation is free and open to the public, but seating is limited. Light refreshments will be served. Copies of *Conversations After Sunset* will be available for purchase, and proceeds will support the Library's Hartford History Center.

In his poem “Learn to Linger,” Father Frascadore writes:

The bird and dog teach us to linger,  
to slow down and pay attention to each second of time.  
Not to rush through it, for it is full of everything we'll ever  
need to know.

To learn more about Father Frascadore's life and poems, please visit:  
[www.beyondtheweepingwillowtree.org](http://www.beyondtheweepingwillowtree.org)

### **About [Hartford History Center](#)**

The Hartford History Center is a special collection of books, photographs, manuscripts and ephemera relating to over 300 years of community life in Connecticut's capital city. The HHC is home to the Hartford Collection, which includes works by Mark Twain, Lydia Huntley Sigourney, Thomas Tryon, Noah Webster, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Chuck Stone and Wallace Stevens. The Hartford History Center is located on the third floor of the Hartford Public Library at 500 Main Street and is open Tuesday-Friday, 1:00pm-5:00pm. For more information, call 860.695.6297. [hhc@hplct.org](mailto:hhc@hplct.org)

### **About [Hartford Public Library](#)**

The Hartford Public Library traces its roots to 1774. It operates 10 locations and a Library-on-Wheels in the City of Hartford. The Library receives more than 860,000 visits per year. Services include access to a large collection of materials for reading and research, as well as music and video. Programs provide education, information and enrichment to the people of Hartford in such areas as citizenship training, literacy, business skills and cultural awareness. The mission of Hartford Public Library is to provide free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. Visit [hplct.org](http://hplct.org) and the library's new blog at [blogs.hplct.org](http://blogs.hplct.org).

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