



You've Been Underestimating Poetry

Posted by [Dan Fecht](#) / 11 Jul 2017

"I enjoy listening to poetry; simply hearing it and maybe even being a bit bewildered by it."

Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â Â - *Stephen Young, Poetry Foundation*Â

Words matter and they can bring us together. An often alluded to and profound statement by which we can find a whole lot of truth.

Here's what Stephen Young, Program Director with Poetry Foundation, could tell us in a recent one-on-one:

DC LIFE MAGAZINE: How did the poetry Foundation come to be?

STEPHEN YOUNG:

DC: What is Poetry Out Loud?

SY:

DC: Some might say that poetry can be hard to understand on a mainstream level. Are we in an era now where poetry writers might need to create work that is more accessible for the reader?

SY:

DC:Â Is it true that Poetry Foundation seems to be open to poetic style, not just traditional or free verse?

SY:

DC: Can you name some poets who are doing remarkable things with poetry right now?

SY: Jamaal May is great, MacArthur Genius A. E. Stallings, who has been in magazines regularly for the last many years. United States Poet Laureate Kay Ryan, Timothy Donnelly, Terrance Hayes. There are many others as we are living in a truly special time for poetry, so many vital and vibrant methods of experimentation.

Please visit <http://poetryoutloud.org>
<http://poetryfoundation.org>
<http://twitter.com/realdanfecht>

Copyright © 2017 dclifemagazine.com. All rights reserved.