

Happy Pride!

Saturday | June 15, 2024 | 1pm

Queer Joy Writing Meetup

**Poets House
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Agenda:

1pm - check in

1:15pm - meet Poets House staff

1:20pm - first writing exercise

1:45pm - share in small groups

1:55pm - second writing exercise

2:20pm - share in small groups

2:30pm - optional reading

2:45pm - break

3:30pm - closing activity

from Dear—
by Donika Kelly

What is the metaphor
for two animals
sharing the same space?

Marriage?

We share a practice,
you and I,
a series of postures.

Here is how I
become a tree
[]

and you
[]
a body in space.

**Visualize a space or place and write about
how your queer identity inhabits that space.**

**How would it inhabit a library? A kitchen? A
park? Or would it?**

**Write an poem about someone or something
who has helped you through a challenge with
your queerness.**

Recall a time when you felt proud. What feelings and words came up?

Create a poem using only the latter 12-16 words.

Choose one of these moments to describe in a poem. Use only one sense (sight, taste, smell, touch, sound) to describe it.

Think of 4 words that come to mind when you think of the word “queer.”

Put them in alphabetical order below:

Below each word, write 3-4 more words you associate with the one above.

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