



News and Services of the Hekman Library – April, 2009

# National POETRY MONTH April

According to the Academy of American Poets, “National Poetry Month is a month-long national celebration of poetry established by the Academy of American Poets. The concept is to widen the attention of individuals and the media—to the art of poetry, to living poets, to our complex poetic heritage, and to poetry books and journals of wide aesthetic range and concern. We hope to increase the visibility and availability of poetry in popular culture while acknowledging and celebrating poetry’s ability to sustain itself in the many places where it is practiced and appreciated.” To learn more about the celebration, visit their web site, <http://www.poets.org>

## CHECK OUT THE NEW ADDITIONS TO OUR POETRY COLLECTION

The modern element : essays on contemporary poetry  
 Kirsch, Adam, 1976-  
[PS323.5 .K55 2008](#)

Unpacking the boxes : a memoir of a  
 life in poetry  
 Hall, Donald, 1928-  
[PS3515.A3152 Z478 2008](#)

Forces in modern & postmodern poetry  
 Cook, Albert Spaulding.  
[PN1271 .C66 2008](#)



## Literature Resource Center

Need some poetry criticism? Check out Literature Resource Center. This is primarily a literature criticism database, comprised of the complete Contemporary Authors, Contemporary Authors New Revision Series, Dictionary of Literary Biography, selected coverage from ten Gale literature criticism series, many single set literary monographs, and a large periodical file of literature titles containing biographies, criticism, essays and more. Articles and entries are all full-text.

What does Poetry and Reading recess have in common? On April 29, the Hekman Library will have a poetry reading of works by faculty and students. Stay tuned for further information on this library event.



**With Calvin College’s deep roots in the Dutch culture, the Hekman Library has many excellent resources including databases and reference materials to aide scholars in their research. Below are a few examples of available databases:**

*Historical Abstracts* is the leading bibliography database for historical study with indexing for more than 2,000 journals. In addition to key historical journals from virtually every major country, *Historical Abstracts* includes a selection of hundreds of journals in the social sciences and humanities that are of special interest to researchers and students of history.



JSTOR is a database consisting of only full-text articles from interdisciplinary peer-reviewed journals. This is a great resource for Dutch history.