

# FAST FACTS

Rockford Area Convention & Visitors Bureau



## Gods and Goddesses Poetry Slam II: A National Competition set for October 8

*Poets from around the U.S. compete in this high-energy, moving event*

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**What:** The Rockford Area Convention & Visitors Bureau is proud to once again welcome Words of a Warrior Productions as they host the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual event, **“The Gods and Goddesses Poetry Slam II: A National Competition”** in the Rockford region. The event features 15 of the top slam poets in the nation visiting from IL, TN, KY, MA, MO, TX, AL and WI.

**When:** **Saturday, October 8, 2022, Doors open at 6 p.m., Slam begins at 7 p.m.**

**Where:** **The Nordlof Center**, 118 North Main Street, Rockford, IL 61101

**Why:** There will be three rounds, three cash prizes and one grand prize of \$2,200. National Award-Winning Poets and some of the top slam poets in the nation will compete for the grand prize.

The public is welcome to attend. Admission into the event is \$20 and tickets can be purchased here: <https://holdmyticket.com/event/398915>

**Other:** Words of a Warrior Productions company is owned by Dianna Tyler, nationally known as Goddess Warrior The Poet. Goddess is the 2021 Chicago Music Awards Best Spoken Word Artist of the year and a 2021 National Award-Winning Poet. She is also the creator and host of this second annual national competition that is to take place in her resident city of Rockford, IL.

Additional event information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/425819042949000>

Poetry slams are a form of spoken-word art that combines performance, writing, competition, and audience participation. The name *slam* came from how the audience has the power to express their reactions to the poem during the high-energy performances. Slams originated in 1984 in Illinois.

**About RACVB:** *RACVB is responsible for promoting the Rockford region as an attractive travel destination and enhancing its public image as a dynamic place to live and work. Through the impact of travel, RACVB strengthens the economic position of the region and provides opportunities for people in our communities.* [www.gorockford.com](http://www.gorockford.com)

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