

Second Saturday Flights



\$17.00
per
flight

inspired by Modern Poets

Poetry is only proof of life. If your life is well lit, poetry is only the ashes.

Each drink in this month's flight's are inspired after some of today's notable Modern Poets. These beverages not only celebrate the poets' works but also offer a sensory experiences that complements their literary voices. We hope you enjoy!

Select 3 drinks you'd like to enjoy on your flight.

Flights are served in 8 oz. cups and if it includes espresso, it includes 1 shot, unless noted otherwise.

Flights come with two macaroons. Flights are only served in house. Thank you!

Ocean Vyoung- "Light in a Cup"

Inspired by Vyoung's reflection on light and milk in *On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous*, this drink combines a velvety latte with a touch of vanilla and a sprinkle of cinnamon, symbolizing the warmth and depth in of his poetry.

Rupi Kaur- "Milk & Honey Latte"

Drawing from her collection *Milk and Honey*, this latte features steamed milk infused with honey and hint of tumeric, offering a comforting and healing blend reminiscent of Kaur's themes of love and resilience.

Gregory Pardlo- "Cafe Noir"

A tribute to Pardlo's nuanced and introspective work, this dark roast coffee is complemented with a dash of brown sugar and nutmeg, reflecting a complexity of his poetry.

Marie Howe- "Spiritual Brew"

Inspired by Howe's contemplative and spiritual themes, this drink combines rich espresso with steamed oat milk and a hint of lavender syrup, offering a soothing and introspective experience.

Rowan Ricardo Philips- "Caribbean Espresso"

Reflecting Phillip's West Indian heritage, this espresso is paired with a splash of coconut milk and a dash of nutmeg, evoking the vibrant flavors of the Caribbean.

Vahni Capildeo- "Expatriate Espresso"

A nod to Capildeo's exploration of identity and expatriation, this espresso drink is blended with a touch of cardamom and served over ice, offering a refreshing and aromatic experience.

Gabrielle Bates- "Judas Goat Brew"

Inspired by Bate's debut collection *Judas Goat*, this combines today's daily brew with a shot of espresso.

Romalyn Ante- "Nightingale Nectar"

Drawing from Ante's experiences as a nurse and themes of migration, this drink features our soothing mint tea with a splash of lemon and honey, offering comfort and healing.

Ada Limon- "Summer Solstice Tea"

Reflecting Limon's connection to nature, this iced version of our Summer Companion with a splash of mint.

Warsan Shire- "Grandmother's Brew"

Inspired by Shire's poem *Tea With Our Grandmothers*, this drink combines Earl Grey tea and almond milk steamed together with foam topped with cinnamon and cardamom, honoring the traditions and resilience of her heritage.

All of our Second Saturday Flights this year are inspired by authors or novels or stories! We've dedicated 2025 to reading! Check out our Worldwide Reading Challenge at www.TLCEspressions.org or scan this QR code -->



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Ocean Young is a Vietnamese American poet, novelist, and essayist known for his lyrical, deeply emotional writing. He is the author of the acclaimed poetry collection *Night Sky with Exit Wounds* (2016), which he won several major awards, and the best-selling novel *On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous* (2019). He is a MacArthur "Genius" Grant recipient and a professor of creative writing.

Rupi Kaur is a Canadian poet, author, an illustrator known for her short, impactful poems and minimalist style. She gained fame with her debut collection *Milk and Honey* (2014), followed by *The Sun and Her Flowers* and *Home Body*. Her work explores themes of love, trauma, healing, and femininity, resonating with a global audience and helping popularize Instapoetry.

Georey Pardlo is an American poet and essayist whose collection *Digest* won the 2015 Pulitzer Prize for Poetry. His work blends personal history, cultural critique, and lyrical precision. He is also the author of the memoir *Air Traffic* and teaches writing at Rutgers University. Pardlo's poetry often explores themes of identity, fatherhood, and African American experience.

Marie Howe is an American poet celebrated for her intimate, spiritually rich verse. Her acclaimed collections, including *What the Living Do* (1997), *The Kingdom of Ordinary Time* (2008), and *Magdalene* (2020), explore grief, faith, and daily life with profound clarity. Howe served as New York State's poet laureate (2012-14) and leads Harvard's *Emily Dickinson House* as its first director.

Rowan Ricardo Phillips is an American poet, essayist, and literary critic. His debut poetry collection, *The Ground* (2012), received the Whiting Award, and he won the PEN Open Book Award for *Heaven* (2015). His acclaimed essays -collected in *When Blackness Rhymes with Blackness* (2021)- explore literature, identity, and culture. Phillips has taught at Princeton University and guided the Princeton Atelier, shaping contemporary literary discourse.

Vahni Capildeo is a Trinidadian-British poet and scholar. A Rhodes Scholar with a DPhil in Old Norse, their works span poetry, prose-poems, and performance. Capildeo won the 2016 Forward Prize for *Measures of Expatriation* and is currently Professor and Writer-in-Residence at the University of York. Their writing explores language, identity, and diaspora with lyrical precision.

Gabrielle Bates is an American poet and visual artist from Birmingham, Alabama, now based in Seattle. She is the author of *Judas Goat* (Tin House, 2023), an NPR Best Book, New York Times Critic's Pick, and Washington State Book Award finalist. Her work appears in *The New Yorker*, *Poetry*, and *Playshares*. She works at Open Books and co-hosts the podcast **The Poet Salon**.

Romalyn Ante is a Filipino-British poet, essayist, editor, psychotherapist, and NHS nurse. Her debut collection *Antimetic for Homesickness* (2020) won the Manchester Poetry Prize, was shortlisted for the Jhalak Prize, long-listed for the co-founded **harana poetry**, holds a Jerwood Compton Fellowship, and is a Royal Society of Literature Fellow.

Ada Limon is an acclaimed American poet. Author of six collections- *Bright Dead Things*, *The Carrying* (National Book Critics Circle Award), and *The Hurting Kind*-she served as the 24th U.S. Poet Laureate (2022-25). A Guggenheim and MacArthur Fellow, her "You Are Here" project connected poetry and nature. She's also penned two children's books and hosts **The Slowdown** podcast.

Warsan Shire is a British-Somali poet and writer known for her powerful, emotionally resonant work exploring themes of identity, displacement, and womanhood. Her debut collection, *Bless the Daughter Raised by a Voice in Her Head* (2022), received widespread acclaim. Shire gained global attention through her collaboration with Beyoncé on *Lemonade*. Her poetry often weaves personal experience with collective trauma and cultural memory.