

2025-2026 POETRY OUT LOUD

STUDENT WORKSHOP



Saturday January 17, 2026 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM



Hybrid

In Person: UA Poetry Center

Online: Zoom

Poetry Alive! Breathing Life into the Poem

Poetry Alive! Breathing Life into the Poem is a high-energy, hands-on student workshop designed to help participants bring their Poetry Out Loud selections fully to life—on the page and on the stage. Offered in a hybrid format, students can join in person at the <u>University of Arizona Poetry Center</u> (1508 E Helen St, Tucson, AZ) or online for those who are unable to attend in person. Led by poet and educator <u>Logan Phillips</u>, the workshop blends performance practice, creative response, and community building in a fun, supportive environment.

Students attending in person will practice performing their POL poems in the University of Arizona Poetry Center's Rubel Room, using the same microphone and setup they'll encounter in competition—building confidence and comfort in a real-world performance space. Along the way, all participants will work toward a key goal: leaving with greater confidence in their poem selection and recitation performance, and a draft of their personal response to The Unsaid: A Poetry Out Loud Response Project—an opportunity for students to respond to the 2025–26 anthology.

Participants will also enjoy behind-the-scenes access to the Poetry Center, connect with fellow POL students, and share a provided lunch (for in-person attendees). With plenty of energy, encouragement, and creativity—and a raffle with giveaways—Poetry Alive! Breathing Life into the Poem is all about keeping poetry vibrant, communal, and alive – out loud.

