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2003 *Aries* hosts fall poetry reading

FORT WORTH, Oct. 7 – Texas Wesleyan’s 2003 *Aries* editorial staff will host a coffeehouse-style poetry reading Thursday, Oct. 16, 2003, from 7:30-9 p.m. in the Carter Conference Room on the second floor of the Student Center at Texas Wesleyan University. The poetry reading is open to all students, faculty, staff, and the general public, and admission is free.

The poetry reading is designed to encourage student and community appreciation of and participation in the arts. Guests are invited to read original works of poetry or published favorites of up to 50 lines in a relaxed, social environment. Short fiction and introductions to photography and artwork are also welcome at this event. Last year’s poetry reading was a success with over 30 participants who either read poetry or enjoyed listening to others.

Coffee and desserts will be provided. All participants will be entered into free prize drawings, and a prize will be given for the best “coffeehouse look.” Those who do not have a poem and wish to read may choose works from the anthologies available at the reading. Back issues of *Aries* will be available for purchase for a discounted price of \$5 each. Guests will also have an opportunity to reserve a copy of *Aries 2004* in advance.

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Aries is a national literary magazine published by Texas Wesleyan University. The journal invites original submissions of poetry, short fiction, essay, black-and-white photography and art. *Aries* is published each spring under the guidance of Dr. Stacia Neeley, General Editor, Internship Coordinator and Assistant Professor of English. Associate editors for *Aries* 2003 are Christie Ashbrook, Jan Badke, Misty Overman, and Hank Sinatra.

For more information regarding *Aries* submissions, sponsorship opportunities, or internships, please contact Dr. Stacia Neeley at 817-531-4907, email at sneeley@txwes.edu, or visit the *Aries* Web site at www.ariesjournal.com.

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