

Spotlight: *We're pleased to present...*

Walter Bargaen, Missouri Poet Laureate



**Workshop: "The First Line is the Poem"**  
**Saturday, June 7, 2008**  
**10 am until noon**  
**Barnes & Noble-Crestwood**

**WALTER BARGAEN** has published eleven books and two chapbooks of poems: *Fields of Thenar* (Singing Wind Press, 1980), *Mysteries in the Public Domain* (BkMk Press, UMKC, 1990), *Yet Other Waters* (Timberline Press, 1990), and *The Vertical River* (Timberline Press, 1995), *Rising Water: Reflections on the Year of the Great Flood* (Pekitanoui Publications, 1994), the chapbook *At The Dead Center Of Day* (BkMk Press, UMKC, 1997), *Water Breathing Air* (Timberline Press, 1999), *Harmonic Balance* (Timberline Press 2001), *Vow of Hunger* (Snark Publishing, 2003), *The Body of Water* (Timberline Press, 2003), *The Feast* (BkMk Press-UMKC, 2004), *Remedies for Veritgo* (WordTech Press, 2006), and *West of West* (Timberline Press, 2007). His twelfth book, *Theban Traffic*, is scheduled for publication in May 2008.

His poems and fictions have appeared in over one hundred magazines, including *American Literary Review*, *American Letters & Commentary*, *Beloit Poetry Journal*, *Blue Mesa Review*, *Boulevard*, *Denver Quarterly*, *Georgia Review*, *International Quarterly*, *Iowa Review*, *Missouri Review*, *New Letters*, *New Novel Review*, *Notre Dame Review*, *Pleiades*, *River Styx*, *Seattle Review*, *Seneca Review*, *Sycamore Review*, and *Witness*. He is the recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts poetry fellowship (1991); winner of the Quarter After Eight Prose Prize (1995), the Hanks Prize (1996), and the Chester H. Jones Foundation poetry prize (1997), and the William Rockhill Nelson Award (2005). In January, 2008, he was appointed to be the first Poet Laureate of Missouri.

Some Books by WALTER BARGEN:

*Theban Traffic* (May 2008) – **COMING SOON!**



**West of West** (Timberline Press, 2007)

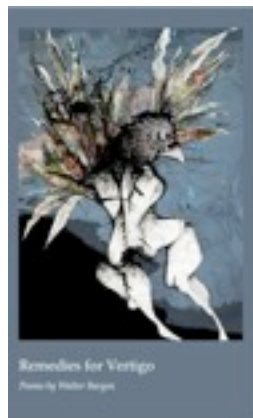
ISBN-13: 9780944048429

Read selected poems from *West of West*:  
<http://walterborgen.com/westofwestpoems.htm>

**Remedies for Vertigo**

ISBN-10: 193345640X

ISBN-13: 978-1933456409



(WordTech Press, 2006)



**The Feast: Prose Poem Sequences**

ISBN-10: 1886157391

ISBN-13: 978-1886157392

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