PRESS RELEASE:

Literary event November 24th, 2010

The Clayoquot Writers Group will be visiting Port Alberni for an evening of readings and story-telling.

Where: Serious Coffee, 3755 10th Ave. (at Redford) Port Alberni
When: Wednesday November 24th, 7:30 pm (doors open 7:00)
Open to the public, no admission fee - our books will be available for purchase.
Information: Jacqueline Windh, jwindh@hotmail.com, 250-726-8946

About Clayoquot Writers Group
Members of the Clayoquot Writers Group have been active on the west coast for over a decade, writing, publishing, and organizing literary events for our local communities. Our current membership writes in a number of genres, ranging from poetry to humour to nature writing to fiction.
Our works have been presented across the Canada in a range of formats; between us, we have authored dozens of books, and published hundreds of short articles, essays and stories. We look forward to a fun evening sharing our works with our Port Alberni neighbours.

Readers
The following seven Clayoquot Writers Group members will be reading in Port Alberni at this event. You may contact Jacqueline Windh (details above) for any information about the event, or the authors themselves for interviews (contact details below).

Adrienne Mason
Adrienne was born and raised on Vancouver Island and has made the west coast (Tofino and Bamfield) her home for over 20 years. She writes for both adults and children on a variety of topics, but most frequently on natural history, science and west coast history. She has published over 25 books and in 2010 launched her own press, Postelsia Press. Adrienne is currently finalizing a book about Long Beach, which is due for publication Fall 2011.

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Joanna Streetly

Joanna came to Tofino for the summer at the tender age of 19. Somehow, a summer turned into 21 years. . . . She is still here, working on her second novel and her fourth book, loving the people and the wild places of the coast. She also works as a freelance illustrator specializing in pen and ink illustrations. She is the past editor of The Sound Magazine and her writing has been published in many mainstream magazines and anthologies.

Books:
*Silent Inlet* (Oolichan, 2005)
*Salt In Our Blood* (Aquila, 2002)
*Paddling Through Time* (Raincoast Books, 2000)

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Ashley Little

Ashley completed a BFA in Creative Writing at the University of Victoria. Her work has appeared in Broken Pencil, Room, and the anthology *Writing Without Direction: 10 ½ Short Stories by Canadian Authors Under 30*. Her first novel, *PRICK: Confessions of a Tattoo Artist* will be published in Fall 2011 by Tightrope Books.

David Floody

David is a retired teacher who moved to the west coast to write novels full time. His short pieces have appeared in Tofino Time, Leaf Press and the Crowlogue anthology. He is currently working on an Irish family saga in trilogy form.

Greg Blanchette

Greg is a Tofino-based writer whose stories have been published in TofinoTime magazine.
**Janice Lore**

Janice grew up on a farm in Alberta and moved to Tofino in 1994. She is a generalist who knows very little about an awful lot, and who works out of both sides of her brain. Her work has appeared in various literary magazines and anthologies, and on CBC radio. Her first poetry chapbook, *Ipsissima Verba*, a "found" poem about math, philosophy, definitions and a middle aged woman's life, was published by Leaf Press in April, 2003.

**Anthologies:**
*Salt in Our Blood*, an anthology of writing from and about the west coast of Vancouver Island
*The Fed Anthology*, edited by Susan Musgrave and published by the Federation of BC Writers
*Crowlogue*, a collection of writing about crows, published by Tofino’s Postelsia Press

**Chapbook:**

**Jacqueline Windh**

Jackie is a writer, photographer, and radio broadcaster who strives to combine her sciences training, her thirst for adventure and travel, and her interests in social causes and justice, into her creative works. Her photographs and articles have been published in quality magazines from around the world. She is author of two books, one of which is a Canadian best-seller, and a major contributor to two others. She is currently working on her next book, *My Secret Sasquatch and Other Possibilities*, due for publication in 2011.

**Books:**
*Hai Kur Mamashu Shis - I Want to Tell You a Story*, (translation, Ediciones Kultrún, Chile, 2005)
*First Nations of the Pacific Northwest: Change and Tradition* (Westfalisches Museum, Germany, 2005)

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