



APTOS
WATSONVILLE

Marketing and Communications Office
6500 Soquel Drive
Aptos, CA 95003
831.479.5744 (O)
831.479.5743 (F)
www.cabrillo.edu

Contact: Kate Rose, Marketing and Communications
T: 831-479-5744
karose [at] cabrillo.edu

Mar 30, 2016

***** MEDIA ALERT *****

Jeff Tagami Memorial Poetry Reading

Poetry Reading, April 15, 6:00 pm at Cabrillo Watsonville Center

APTOS – Cabrillo College will be holding a poetry reading in memory of Cabrillo instructor, Jeff Tagami, next month. Tagami was born and raised in Watsonville to parents of Philippine origin who emigrated to California via Hawaii. A UCSC graduate, Jeff became a renowned poet and writer, appearing in magazines and anthologies. The PBS documentary “The US of Poetry” featured his poem, “Song of Pajaro”, describing a day in the life of Pajaro Valley farmers.

Tagami went on to teach writing, composition, and literature at Cabrillo College and continue his passion for social activism.

The memorial event will feature poets Shirley Ancheta, and Tony Robles. Ancheta is Tagami’s widow, herself a local poet who has published in several publications. Tony Robles is a San Francisco poet and co-editor of POOR magazine. Each will share a piece in dedication to Tagami’s memory.

WHO: Cabrillo College Watsonville Center

WHAT: Jeff Tagami Memorial Poetry Reading

WHERE: Cabrillo College Watsonville Center, 318 Union St., Watsonville, CA 95076

WHEN: Friday, April 15, 6:00 pm

INFO: Free admission, light refreshments served

About Cabrillo College

Cabrillo College is a leading California community college serving Santa Cruz County with locations in Aptos and Watsonville. It is ranked #1 in transfers to UC Santa Cruz. Founded in 1959, the college offers over 100 academic and career technical education programs that serve multiple educational goals such as A.A. and A.S. degrees, certificates of achievement, skills certificates, transfer to 4-year institutions or for lifelong learning and personal enrichment. Cabrillo College is a dynamic, diverse and responsive educational community that is dedicated to helping all students achieve their academic, career, and personal development goals.

###