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## Jean Nordhaus Gives Poetry Reading About Imagination and Language at MBL Falmouth Forum on March 16

MBL, WOODS HOLE, MA—Washington D.C.-based poet, teacher, author, and editor Jean Nordhaus will share her work at an MBL Falmouth Forum titled, *Poetry Reading: Imagination, Language and the Life of the Mind* on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM at the Lawrence School, 113 Lakeview Avenue, Falmouth. The presentation is free and open to the public.

Jean Nordhaus was born in Baltimore, Maryland, studied philosophy at Barnard College, and received her doctorate in modern German literature from Yale University. Her newest book of poems, *Innocence*, won the Charles B. Wheeler prize from Ohio State University Press and was published in November, 2006. Her previous book, *The Porcelain Apes of Moses Mendelssohn* was published by Milkweed Editions in November, 2002. Her other books of poetry include *My Life in Hiding*, *A Bracelet of Lies* (Washington Writers' Publishing House, 1987) and a chapbook, *A Language of Hands* (SCOP, 1982). A selection of her Moses Mendelssohn poems won the 1997 Edward Stanley Award from Prairie Schooner.

Ms. Nordhaus' poems have appeared in *American Poetry Review*, *the Hudson Review*, *the New Republic*, *Ploughshares*, *Poet Lore*, *Poetry*, *Prairie Schooner*, *Yankee*, *Best American Poetry 2000*, and were published in the *2007 Pushcart Prize Anthology*. In addition, she has published numerous articles, essays, and reviews on dance and poetry in the *Washington Post*, the *Washington Review*, *Poet Lore*, and the *PSA Bulletin*.

Sponsored by the MBL Associates, this reading is the Herman T. Epstein Endowed Memorial Lecture. The annual Epstein Endowed Memorial Lecture is held in honor of Dr. Herman T. Epstein, a founding member of the MBL Falmouth Forum whose research explored the subjects of mind, brain, education, and learning. The Epstein Endowed Memorial Lecture is sponsored by the Herman T. Epstein Endowment whose goal is to support a fine arts presentation during each Falmouth Forum season.

The final lecture in the 2011-2012 MBL Falmouth Forum series, co-sponsored by The 300 Committee of Falmouth, will be *Honeybee Democracy*, presented by Cornell University biologist Thomas Seeley. It will take place on Friday, March 30, 7:30 pm at Falmouth High School.

For more information about the Falmouth Forum series, visit [mbl.edu/falmouthforum](http://mbl.edu/falmouthforum) or contact the MBL Communications Office at: (508) 289-7423; [comm@mbl.edu](mailto:comm@mbl.edu). **Important Note:** Due to renovations being done to the MBL's Lillie Auditorium this winter, all of this season's remaining lectures will be held at either Falmouth High School or the Lawrence School.

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