



## News Release

### Naperville Writers Group

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### **Naperville Writers Group Ends 2008 Literary Events With Readings by Sachin Waikar and Donna Pucciani**

November 21, 7 to 9 pm at Barnes and Noble in Bolingbrook

Naperville, IL – The Naperville Writers Group's final literary evening for 2008 will feature author Sachin Waikar and poet Donna Pucciani.

Waikar is a freelance author writing both fiction and non-fiction whose work appears or is forthcoming in the Seal Press anthologies *Toddler* and *A Matter of Choice*, along with *Highlights*, *South Asian Review*, *Woman International*, and the Indo-American children's magazine *Kahani*. His screenwriting has placed in HBO/Miramax's *Project Greenlight* and earned a nomination for an ABC/Disney Writing Talent Grant.

Pucciani has published approximately three hundred poems in the U.S. and U.K. in such journals as *International Poetry Review*, *Journal of the American Medical Association*, *National Catholic Reporter*, *Spoon River Poetry Review*, *Iota*, and others. Her work has been featured in anthologies on cancer, gardening, and social issues. She has won awards from the Illinois Arts Council, Chicago Poets and Patrons, the Frieda Stein Fenster Memorial, and the National Federation of State Poetry Societies. Her books of poetry include *The Other Side of Thunder*, *Jumping Off the Train*, and *Chasing the Saints*. She currently serves as Vice President of Poets Club of Chicago

The evening will also highlight readings from the newly released twentieth anniversary edition of *Rivulets*, the Naperville Writers Group's literary journal. Waikar and Pucciani served as judges for the journal's newly instituted Founders' Prizes in poetry and prose. Members will read pieces from *Rivulets* and other works. Time will also be provided for members of the public to read during open mic.

The event will be held on Friday, November 21, from 7 to 9 pm at the Barnes and Noble at the Promenade Center in Bolingbrook, 631 E Boughton Road. The event is free and open to the public. If you would like to read, please arrive early and sign up.

Future Naperville Writers Group events will begin again in January 2009 at the Bolingbrook Barnes and Noble. These readings will feature Naperville Writers Group members and other local authors. Each evening will provide open mic time for members of the public to read.

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Since its founding in 1987, the Naperville Writers Group has served scores of members of all ages. Members develop their writing skills through thoughtful, positive and useful critiques. Its members come from throughout Chicago's western suburbs and range from published, award-winning writers to those seeking an outlet for their interest. Naperville Writers Group members write a large variety of genres including memoirs, novels, poetry, creative non-fiction and many more. The group welcomes visitors to our weekly meetings on the North Central College campus in Naperville. Further information about the Naperville Writers Group is available at [www.napervillewritersgroup.org](http://www.napervillewritersgroup.org).

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