## Poetry Slammers Wanted for February Coffeehouse

Your Theatre, Inc. is bringing a new poetry experience to its audience in the dead of winter: LOVE TO HATE TO LOVE ~ Poetry of the Soul. On Saturday, February 6, 2016, YTI will become a coffeehouse where poets from New Bedford and surrounding towns will share compositions in a range of voices, styles and approaches. Some will read from their published works and some will perform their creations in a poetry performance competition known as a Poetry Slam.

The coffeehouse will open at 7 pm where the audience may enjoy dessert and coffee or tea. The poetry event will start at 7:30 pm moderated by New Bedford Poet Laureate Patricia Gomes. Local published poets who will read are New Bedford's first Poet Laureate Everett Hoagland, BJ Nooth, Susan Grace and Catherine McLaughlin.

Poets who would like to participate as slammers must register with Your Theatre Inc. Positions are limited. Call YTI at 508-993-0772 or email to poetry@yourtheatre.org for information.

The presentation is being held at the wheelchair accessible Your Theatre, Inc. Playhouse located at 136 Rivet St. (corner of County St.), New Bedford, at the St. Martin's Episcopal Church complex. Free parking is available off County Street.