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NIC's Write Here Readers Series Presents Fred Stenson, Lorin Medley and Myron Shutty

NIC's Write Here Readers Series brings award-winning authors Fred Stenson, Lorin Medley and Myron Shutty to NIC's Comox Valley campus Thursday, September 29 at 7 pm.

Stenson will read from his most recent book of fiction, *Who by Fire* (Doubleday Canada, 2014) as well as a novel in progress. Stenson was a finalist for the Governor General's Award for Fiction for *The Great Karoo* in 2008 and was shortlisted for Giller Prize for *The Trade* in 2000. He has also won the WGA George Bugnet Novel Award (2001), the City of Edmonton Book Prize (2001), the Grant MacEwan Writer's Prize (2001 and 2006) and the CAA Fiction Award (1975).

Lorin Medley's poetry and stories have been published in *Portal* magazine and in *The Puritan*, one of Canada's premier online literary magazines. She won the 2014 Islands Short Fiction Contest and the 2015 Books Matter poetry prize and she was long listed for the 2016 Prism International Poetry Contest.

Myron Shutty is a member of the Scribblers writing group and has a Creative Writing degree from UVic.

Medley and Shutty are past students of NIC, which offers creative writing courses each semester, introducing students to various genres of creative writing, from fiction to non-fiction to drama and poetry.

Creative writing courses can be applied toward an English Flexible Pre-Major, allowing students to study two years of an English degree at NIC before transferring to university.

NIC also offers creative writing courses through its Continuing Education and ElderCollege, such as Creative Writing for Beginners (GENI-2336).

NIC's Write Here Readers Series is a free public reading series showcasing the richness of literary arts in our region. It offers students and community members the opportunity to hear Canadian writers read from and talk about their work.

The reading is held in Tyee Hall starting at 7 pm. Admission is free. For more information, visit www.nic.bc.ca.



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