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## NEWS

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

#### **Wilton Library's Poetry in Motion explores ethics on March 28 and 29**

Wilton, CT – The poems have been written, the artwork created and the booklet assembled, right on schedule for Wilton Library's teen poetry initiative, "Poetry in Motion: Right, Wrong or Somewhere In-between." The two-night event is Friday and Saturday, March 28 and 29 at 7 and features the identical show each night in the Brubeck Room. A reception honoring the students follows each evening's performance. Teens in grades 7 through 12 have been working diligently through the fall and winter for this year's program that centers on ethics and morals. The kids first created their poetry, revised them through a series of workshops with author, poet, and songwriter Regie Gibson, a 1998 National Poetry Slam winner, and now are just days away from performing their own pieces or that of their peers.

"This year's entries have been wonderful," said Susan Lauricella, teen librarian at Wilton Library who heads up the poetry initiative. "Each year I am impressed with the creativity and commitment that our town's teenagers give to this project. It is not easy to put yourself 'out there' in front of your peers, yet these kids consistently amaze me. I'm also very grateful to have Nancy Ponturo, their performance director, composer and musician Tony Burnett and dance choreographer Brenda Froehlich putting the finishing touches on the kids' performances."

The teens' poems and complementary artwork are printed in a commemorative booklet that will be available for purchase during the receptions both nights. Tickets for each night's performance are \$5 per person and are on sale now at the library and will be available at the door. Wilton Library is located at 137 Old Ridgefield Road in the heart of Wilton Center.

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Poetry in Motion is sponsored by the Pat and John Curran Teen Fund and Giving Tree donations. Sales of the tickets and the booklets will help to fund future teen programs. For information, visit [www.wiltonlibrary.org](http://www.wiltonlibrary.org) or call (203) 762-3950.

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**Caption:** The cast of last year's "Poetry in Motion" reprised their performance for Wilton Library's annual meeting this past June. This year's teen poetry initiative, "Poetry in Motion: Right, Wrong or Somewhere In-Between," an exploration of ethics and morals, takes place on Friday and Saturday, March 28 and 29 at 7 in the Brubeck Room, with a reception to follow each evening. For tickets and information, call (203) 762-3950.