



## **2025 ChacaLit Poetry Residency**

The **Poetry Palooza Residency** was held January 13-17, 2025.

Resident Poet Trish Hutchinson presented four 3-hour sessions from 9-12 Monday through Thursday. She provided extensive study and prompt materials each day, providing examples of various structures and themes, and time for the participants to create and share their writing.

Seven participants eagerly engaged and produced substantial work. Mary Jane Rintelman graciously hosted the meetings at Casa Roca.

On Friday evening, a free Public Reading and Open Mic was provided for the community. Trish led off the reading, followed by the residency participants, and the several audience members read as well. Cake and beverages were provided by the host, Karla, whose terrace was used for the event. There were approximately 30+ guests.

The participants will submit material for the publication of this year's ChacaLit Literary Journal. Bev Thompson edits the Journal, as well as recruiting Trish for the Residency.

Trish and her husband were provided accommodations and breakfast from January 10-18. She also received \$100 per paying participant, for a total of \$600.00.

Attached are copies of the Memorandum of Understanding and promotional poster for the Residency.

David Biviano, Chair  
Bev Thompson, Co-Chair