

Suzanne Doerge is a poet and adult educator who has worked with organizations at the local, national, and international level to support the voices of marginalized communities.

She lives in Ottawa with her life partner, Joe Gunn. In 2016, they walked the Camino de Santiago, in Spain, which inspired this collection of poetry, <u>Footfalls:</u> <u>Poems of the Camino</u>.

As a facilitator in the AWA (Amherst Writers and Artists) method, she guides creative writing workshops based on the principle that we all have creative genius waiting to be discovered.

To learn more about Suzanne and her writing, please visit her website:





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Tuesday June 6 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.



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A special evening with

author Suzanne Doerge.

Discover your own Camino or

pilgrimage...

What inspired you on this journey?

What emerged?

How do you continue to live this out?

There are many travels we undertake in life, both inner and outer journeys. Suzanne offers her profound, lyrical, elegant and insightful poetry of the Camino journey. Through wonder, delight and effort, we walk the Way with Suzanne – footfalls that resonate with our own lives, pathways, challenges and insights.

Dr. Heather Eaton, St Paul University, Ottawa

This evening will include an introduction to the Camino, a reading from the book **Footfalls: Poems of the Camino**, and then a map-drawing exercise in which participants will be invited to reflect on an important path you have taken in your life - your own unique pilgrimage - or on your own experience of walking the Camino itself.

This remarkable collection of poetry follows the sevenhundred-kilometer path in northwest Spain, part of the Camino de Santiago (also known as the Way of St. James), that the author walked with her life companion in 2016. Each poem is a footfall of experience or insight lived on the Camino, from her start in the region of Navarre until her arrival at the end of her journey in Santiago de Compostela. Themes ride the

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waves of physical challenges, fears, doubts, inspirations, and laughter of the month-long journey. While Christianity infuses this ancient pilgrimage, the spiritual dimensions of the sacred feminine and Mother Earth are reflected here too. The variety of contemplative, humorous, political, and narrative poetry mirrors the shifts between wonder, delight, and effort lived on the Camino.

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Cost: \$20 Registration and copy of <u>Footfalls</u>: \$30

> (<u>Footfalls</u> can also be purchased at the event for \$20)

Registration deadline: June 5

Registration Details

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