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## NEWS RELEASE

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**WHAT:** 'The Angle of a Landscape': readings by poets Nancy Willard and Lesle Lewis

**WHEN:** Thursday, February 8, 2007, 7:30 pm  
A book signing and reception with Lesle Lewis and Nancy Willard will follow

**WHERE:** University Gallery, Fine Arts Center, University of Massachusetts Amherst

In collaboration with the Emily Dickinson Museum and with the support of the UMass English Department's *Juniper Initiative*.

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**free and open to the public; free parking after 5 pm**

The University Gallery at the Fine Arts Center, University of Massachusetts, is pleased to host a reading by nationally acclaimed poets Nancy Willard and Lesle Lewis on February 8, 2007 at 7:30 PM. This special event is organized by the University Gallery in collaboration with the Emily Dickinson Museum and the Juniper Initiative. It is in conjunction with the exhibition *The Impossible Landscape*, which challenges traditional modes of landscape imagery.

**Nancy Willard** is the author of numerous books of poetry including *In The Saltmarsh* and *Step Lightly: Poems for the Journey* and two novels, *Things Invisible to See* and *Sister Water*. She has been awarded grants from the National Endowment for the Arts in both fiction and poetry, and her book *A Visit to William Blake's Inn: Poems for Innocent and Experienced Travelers* was awarded the Newbery Medal. Her most recent children's books are *Cinderella's Dress* and *Sweep Dreams*. She teaches in the English department at Vassar College and lives in Poughkeepsie, New York.

**Lesle Lewis** is the author of *Landscapes I & II* and *Small Boat*, which won the 2002 Iowa Poetry Prize. Many of her poems have appeared in prestigious journals including the following: *Pleiades*, *American Letters and Commentary*, *Northern New England Review*, *Old Crow*, *Green Mountains Review*, *Barrow Street*, *Mudfish*, *Slope*, *LIT*, *Sentence*, and *Pool*. She teaches literature and writing at Landmark College in Vermont and lives in New Hampshire.