Art reception, poetry slam and reading

Bona Fide Books is hosting an art reception, poetry slam and reading for Reno-based poet and artist Benjamin Arnold on April 7, 7-10pm at Bona Fide HQ.

This event is free and open to the public. Singer-songwriter Athena McIntyre of Rockin' Minerva will provide music starting at 9pm.

This interactive National Poetry Month kick-off will feature an "imPROMPTu" poetry slam. Participants are given paper and a pen — no existing poems are allowed — then given 10 minutes to create a poem to slam. There will be three rounds of competition, and the judge-selected winner gets to choose one of Arnold's prints as a prize.

The art reception will feature Arnold's latest work, including digital art printed on aluminum, broadsides, "smallsides" and acrylic and oil paintings.

Benjamin Arnold is a teacher, poet, writer, and artist living in Reno. He is the author of "Synaptic Traffic: Intersections of Prose & Poetry".

Bona Fide HQ is located at 1069 Magua St., No.4, behind the Getaway Café in Meyers.

For more information on this or other Bona Fide events, contact Kim Wyatt at editor@bonafidebooks.com.