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**Paul E. Nelson, M.A.**  
**Communications Manager, Writer, Interviewer,**  
**Wordpress Specialist**

**February 2011 - April 2020 Communication Manager, [Spring Street Center](#)**

Responsible for maintaining Wordpress website, responding quickly and clearly to potential Airbnb lodgers. Revenues increased significantly each year until 2020. Over 1,300 reviews.

**1993 – present [Seattle Poetics LAB \(SPLAB\)](#) Seattle, WA, **Founding Director****

- **Interview Host, Writer, Researcher and Producer of more than 600 hours of original public affairs radio interview programs.** (See [American Prophets.](#)) Interviewed Allen Ginsberg. Did last interview with legendary poet Robin Blaser. Other timeless interviews with authors, poets & activists, the best of which were published in 2018 as the book *American Prophets*.
- **Maintain, digitize & create Wordpress webpages** for audio archives from 25 years of operation as a radio/poetry-oriented non-profit org. Maintain email list (425 subscribers) & social networking efforts: Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, SoundCloud, Instagram...
- **Facilitator of more than 400 writing workshops** for a wide variety of students, including booking & supervision of working poet/teachers. Presentations/readings given in London, Beijing, Qinghai, China, Brussels, Door County WI, Victoria/Vancouver BC, Chicago, elsewhere.
- **Coordinator/Fundraiser/Host/Coordinator of Visiting Poet Series**, booking internationally-renowned poets for readings, workshops & school appearances.
- **Founder - Cascadia Poetry Festival**, March 2012, May 2014, (at Seattle University) Nov 2016, Seattle, Oct 2017, Tacoma., May 2019 Anacortes. Also Nanaimo, BC, May 2015, Cumberland, BC, 2017.

**2015-Feb-July Communications Coordinator Subud USA**

Responsible for gathering member regional & Board news, overseeing creation/distribution of newsletter for U.S. Subud members, maintaining website & generating compelling content.

**2016 - April 2020, Webmaster and Chief Content Provider for Subud PNW**

Responsible for setting up and maintaining Wordpress website for the region, gathering news from members, centers and the regional committee, overseeing creation and distribution of newsletter for Subud members in the Pacific Northwest.

**2007-2008 Muckleshoot Tribal College, Office Skills Instructor**

Instructed tribal members, employees and other students on basic computer skills, including Microsoft Office programs, Internet literacy, Business Communications and other courses.

**Founder/Director/Interviewer**

Through SPLAB, conceived, designed, launched & consulted a community radio station for public information & emergency management communication with the City of Auburn & Mayor Pete Lewis.

### **1996–2003 KPLU 88.5 FM Tacoma, WA, On-Air Host**

Host of Saturday Jazz Matinee and Fill-in Jazz host.

1993–1996 **KMTT** 103.7 FM Seattle, WA. Worked also at WXFM-Chicago (Jazz); WMET-FM, Chicago (Classic Rock) and other on-air radio positions from **1980-2006** held in Seattle, Chicago, Baltimore, West Palm Beach, Appleton, Wisconsin and Peoria, Illinois.

### **Public Affairs Coordinator - KMTT (The Mountain)**

Host/Interviewer/Writer/Researcher/Producer of a weekly one-hour public affairs program: Mountain Magazine and the 30 minute **Mountain Green Report**.

### **Education:**

Lesley University, Cambridge, MA, M.A., Organic Poetry, 2007.

Columbia College, Chicago, IL, B.A., Communications. Graduated with Honors, 1983.

**Books:** *A Time Before Slaughter/Pig War: & Other Songs of Cascadia* (2020), *American Prophets* (Interviews 1994-2012) (2018), Editor: *Make It True meets Medusario* (2019), *Samthology: A Tribute to Sam Hamill* (2019), *Tiovivo Tres Amigos* (José Kozer interview, (Ranchos Press, 2016); Editor: *56 Days of August: Poetry Postcards* (Five Oaks Press, 2017) & *Make It True: Poetry From Cascadia* (Leaf Press, May, 2015); *American Sentences* (poetry, Apprentice House, 2015); *Organic in Cascadia: A Sequence of Energies* (essay, Lumme Editions, Brazil, 2013); *A Time Before Slaughter* (poetry, Apprentice House, 2010, Stranger Genius Award shortlist), *Organic Poetry* (essays, VDM Verlag, 2008).

### **Current Volunteer Activity:**

Helper, Subud Greater Seattle, August 2011 - Present.

SICA-USA Secretary/Webmaster, November 2018 - Present.

SubudPNW Webmaster, June 2018 - Present.

### **Past:**

President, Cascadia Magazine Board, March 2019 - March 2020, P-Patch Plot Monitor, Hillman City, 2014; Co- Coordinator of Columbia City Business Association, (Beatwalk), Volunteer on-air host at KBCS.FM, 91.3, Co-Chair Columbia City Business Association Marketing Committee, Advisory Board of Rainier Valley Cultural Center, Coordinator, Poetry Programming for Seattle Bookfest, 2009, Chair of 31st District Democratic Organization, Delegate to King County Democratic Legislative Action Committee, Board Member, So King Co. Community Public Health/Safety Network, more.

### **References and CV available upon request, or at [www.PaulENelson.com](http://www.PaulENelson.com)**

**Bio:** Paul Nelson founded SPLAB (Seattle Poetics LAB) & the Cascadia Poetry Festival and is Founding Director. SPLAB, founded in 1993, produced hundreds of poetry events, over 600 hours of interview programming with legendary poets & whole systems activists/theorists including Allen Ginsberg, Michael McClure, Joanne Kyger, Diane di Prima, Daphne Marlatt, Nate Mackey, Brenda Hillman, Jean Houston, Riane Eisler, Larry Dossey, Father Matthew Fox & others. Published books include *A Time Before Slaughter/Pig War: & Other Songs of Cascadia* (2020), *American Prophets* (2018), *American Sentences* (2015), *A Time Before Slaughter* (2010), *Organic in Cascadia: A Sequence of Energies* (2013), *Tiovivo Tres Amigos* in 2016. Co-Editor of *Make it True meets Medusario* (2019), *Samthology: A Tribute to Sam Hamill* (2019), *Make It True: Poetry From Cascadia* and *56 Days of August: Poetry Postcards* Paul is engaged in a 20 year bioregional cultural investigation of Cascadia, lives in Rainier Beach, in the Cascadia bioregion's Cedar River watershed with Bhakti Watts and his daughter Ella Roque and serves as literary executor for the late poet Sam Hamill.