

POETRY BOOK LAUNCH – Poems by Mervyn Croft



Mervyn Croft has been engaged in Buddhism for more than 40 years. In 2000 he co-founded the Emoyeni Retreat Centre in the Magaliesberg, where he lives and teaches. Originally from Durban, Mervyn will be familiar to many who visited the Buddhist Retreat Centre, Ixopo where, for 13 years, he lived, practiced and planted trees (in the 80's and 90's).

DATE: Monday 9 December 2019

VENUE: St Clements Restaurant, 191 Musgrave Road, Durban

TIME: 17.30 for 18.00

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL: [0312022511](tel:0312022511)

If you wish to dine after the presentation (around 19.00), please place your order before 18.00.

"Mervyn Croft's poetry is an invitation to walk out beyond the cacophony, enabling us to ask, "What is it that listens"?; to push through the panic and violence of "too much doing" - so that we may "feel again / the mysterious dance of energy / between two beings / Opening each other / to the sweet breath of stillness..."

"Hayley Berman's artworks intensify the nourishment and pleasure derived from meditating on this exquisite collection crafted from longing and reminders that we are cared for." - Mari Peté

"Mervyn Croft's poetry, written out of a Buddhist sensibility, but emphatically not Buddhist, is deeply evocative and impressive. His poems range from being Haiku-esque in their brevity to more lyrical and extensive poems that explore themes in greater depth. There is a lightness of touch to be found when Mervyn explores some of the deeply existential and universal themes of life: love and loss, sensuality and our relationship to the natural world, change and the challenge of modern life dedicated, as it is, to constant doing..." - John Peacock