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Delaware's Twin Poets Laureate – Family Writing Workshop

Wilmington, DE – The Delaware Historical Society will host a creative writing workshop with the State of Delaware Poets Laureate, The Twin Poets, Nnamdi Chukwuocha and Albert Mills on Saturday October 21, 2017 11:00AM - 1:00PM at the Delaware Historical Society's Mitchell Center for African American Heritage, 504 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware. The workshop will include creative writing exercises with Mr. Chukwuocha and Mr. Mills. The focus will be on sharing the power of history through the art of poetry, with participants invited to share their poems in an optional performance at the conclusion. The workshop includes a guided tour of the exhibition, *Journey to Freedom*.

Nnamdi Chukwuocha and Albert Mills have been writing poetry together since they were children. Both credit their family, in particular their mother, with fostering their love of reading and writing. The brothers often start their poems with an idea or title then build the poem by sharing their thoughts and impressions back and forth, making the finished poem a true collaboration.

Nnamdi Chukwuocha is a member of the Wilmington City Council and chairs the city's Education, Youth and Families Committee. Chukwuocha, who has more than 30 years experience in the nonprofit world, was recently awarded the Wilmington Urban League's Martin Luther King, Jr. Award, and has been recognized as an outstanding Delaware State University alumnus.

Albert Mills is a community-based social worker deeply rooted in the juvenile justice system. Mills serves New Castle County Delaware's Multisystemic Therapy Services and is a cofounder of G.O.A.L.S., and S.Y.A.-Tutoring and Mentoring Programs in Wilmington.

Reservations requested at (302) 655-7161 or deinfo@dehistory.org Workshop is included with admission: Adults \$6.00 Seniors (65+)/Military/Student(with i.d.) \$5.00 Children (3-18) \$4.00

About the Delaware Historical Society

The Delaware Historical Society owns and operates the Delaware History Museum; the Jane and Littleton Mitchell Center for African American Heritage; a nationally recognized Research Library; Old Town Hall; Willingtown Square, four 18th-century houses surrounding a picturesque urban courtyard located in downtown Wilmington; and the National Historic Landmark, Read House & Gardens located in historic New Castle. For more information, call (302) 655-7161, email deinfo@dehistory.org, or visit www.dehistory.org.

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