You are invited to respond to this call for submissions for a Festschrift volume celebrating the career of Wendy Barker. Wendy has taught for over thirty years, mostly in our community here in San Antonio. She is an award-winning poet, scholar, and essayist; she has been a mentor to numerous writers who now live, work, and teach all over the country. She introduced the creative writing reading series at UTSA, and she continues to work to help our program grow and flourish.

We’re looking for work that celebrates the life and career of Wendy Barker, from her scholarly work on Emily Dickinson and Ruth Stone, to her award-winning poetry, and her dedication to teaching. We also welcome work inspired or influenced by Wendy.

Poetry, Fiction, and Creative Non-Fiction/Essays should be double-spaced, and Scholarly Essays (5-20 pgs) should be in MLA style. Previously published work is acceptable as long as the author has the full rights and gives permission, in writing, for it to be republished. All submissions should include name, mailing and email addresses. Digital files should be submitted to:

Wendybarkerfestschrift.submishmash.com
All submissions due: May 1, 2012

So many of us have been inspired by her mentorship and poetry, and by her lifelong dedication to the literary arts. We hope you will join us in this celebration.

Questions can be sent to: Dr. Catherine Kasper at: WBFest@utsa.edu