

2019 Pacific Advance
Orcas Island, Washington

- When:** Friday, March 8th & Saturday, March 9th, 2019
- Where:** The Salish Seaside Escapes
327 Sunset Avenue
Eastsound, Washington 98245
- Cost:** \$500 per person or \$950 per couple. This fee includes 6 meals for the 2 days. You are responsible for your own lodging.
- Speaker:** Scott Cairns



Scott Cairns was born in Tacoma, Washington November 19, 1954. He received his B.A. in English from Western Washington University in 1977, his M.A. in English Writing from Hollins College in 1979, his M.F.A. in Creative Writing from Bowling Green State University in 1981, and his Ph.D. from University of Utah in 1990. He has taught literature and writing courses at Bowling Green State University, Kansas State University, University of Utah, Westminster College of Salt Lake City, University of North Texas, Old Dominion University, and University of Missouri. Librettist, essayist, translator, and author of multiple poetry collections, Scott Cairns was Curators' Distinguished Professor of English at University of Missouri, until leaving that position to serve as Director of the Low-Residency MFA Program at Seattle Pacific University. His poems and essays have appeared in *Poetry*, *Image*, *Paris Review*, *The Atlantic Monthly*, *The New Republic*, and many other venues, and both have been anthologized in multiple editions of *Best American Spiritual Writing*. He has blogged for the Religion Section of *The Huffington Post*. His recent books include *Slow Pilgrim: The Collected Poems* (2015), *Idiot Psalms* (2014), *Short Trip to the Edge* (spiritual memoir, 2016), *Endless Life* (translations and adaptations of Christian mystics, 2014), and a book-length essay, *The End of Suffering* (2009). He received a Guggenheim Fellowship in 2006, and the Denise Levertov Award in 2014. His new poetry collection, *Anaphora*, will appear from Paraclete Press in spring, 2019, and his current projects include *Descent to the Heart*, verse adaptations of selections from the writings of Saint Isaak of Syria.

Information about Orcas Island can be found at: www.guidetosanjuans.com

If you are flying you will want to fly into SeaTac Airport in Seattle. From there you can either rent a car and drive or you can fly on Kenmore Air to East Sound (Orcas Island).

Ferry Information: You will take the ferry from Anacortes to Orcas
<http://www.wsdot.com/ferries/schedule/ScheduleDetailByRoute.aspx?schedrouteid=1523>

Kenmore Air Information: <http://www.kenmoreair.com>

In order to register, you **MUST** complete a registration form and send in a deposit.

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