

On Saturday, January 21, 2006, from 4 to 6pm, poet Chip Wendt will be honored as the new Healdsburg Literary Laureate for 2006-2007.

The Healdsburg Literary Guild, which created the laureateship, will host its traditional laureate celebration at the Hotel Healdsburg carriage house, and will feature readings by Chip Wendt following offerings by past and present Healdsburg and Sonoma County laureates.

The event will be MC'ed by Guild member Batja Cates with musical intervals by members of Laguna.

Chip has been active in the Healdsburg literary community for many years as a poet and publisher. He was

Martha, of ArtBeat, the newsletter, and has authors through his including all three laureates.

Chip founded the Salon which he first ongoing venue Healdsburg and listeners from all over beyond. Many closet there to proudly take literary community. participant in the County BookFair, both there and manning the published work includes *Cold Valley*, *Winged Hearts*, and, to be released January 21, *Love is Big*.



the publisher, with his wife Healdsburg Arts Council published many local Running Wolf Press, previous Healdsburg

Five years ago popular *Third Sunday* hosts. The Salon is the for writers in attracts writers and the county and writers have emerged their place in the

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Toyon Books booth with Martha. His

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January 21, *Love is Big*. Always pleased to read his work, Healdsburg's fourth literary laureate has indicated that he *has poems, will travel*. He'll even bring his flamenco guitar along.