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**SOMARTS CULTURAL CENTER PRESENTS  
FEAST OF WORDS: A LITERARY POTLUCK**

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*Monthly event features literary guest Faith Adiele January 4th  
and a creative competition for literary and culinary prizes.*

**San Francisco, CA, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010** — SOMArts Cultural Center presents *Feast of Words: A Literary Potluck*, a monthly dinner party where writers and foodies come together to eat, write, and share. Join co-hosts Lex Leifheit & Irina Zadov the first Tuesday of each month to discover local chefs and writers, bring a dish on our monthly theme, and participate in our creative competition for edible and literary prizes!

January's theme is "Blurred Identity" and features literary guest Faith Adiele and the culinary treats of Canvas Underground with Chef Peter Jackson. This month's event will also include a **creative competition** of on-the-spot writing inspired by the theme. House opens at 6:30pm on Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and space is limited. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$5 with a potluck dish, or \$12 at the door and include refreshments and delicious eats. (Cash bar). Tickets available at [www.feastofwords.eventbrite.com](http://www.feastofwords.eventbrite.com)

Literary guest **Faith Adiele** is a popular speaker and contributor to *O* and *Essence* magazines. She is author of a travel memoir, *Meeting Faith: The Thai Forest Journals of a Black Buddhist Nun*, which won the 2005 PEN Beyond Margins Award for Best Memoir, and co-editor of *Coming of Age Around the World: A Multicultural Anthology*. She currently serves as the Distinguished Visiting Writer at Mills College in Oakland and is finishing a cultural memoir about her Nigerian/Nordic/American heritage. [www.adiele.com](http://www.adiele.com)

Culinary guest **Peter Jackson** is the executive chef of Canvas Underground, a supperclub that aims to bring people together for great food and cool art in ever-changing venues. The collective is a part of the Ghetto Gourmet dining party network, which is continuing the Bay Area's guerilla cooking tradition. Past Canvas Underground dinner parties have included a "Depression Dinner"



and a four course meal in a foreclosed West Oakland Victorian.  
[canvasunderground.wordpress.com](http://canvasunderground.wordpress.com)

**Lex Leifheit** is the executive director of SOMArts Cultural Center. She co-founded the High Street Writers Collective in Connecticut and has organized readings online, on street corners, and in storefronts. She was most recently published in the December 2010 issue of *In Dance* magazine.

**Irina Zadov** is the Director of Experience and Programs at Zeum: San Francisco Children's Museum. She is a practicing artist with a passion for bringing people together through food, stories, and romps through the imagination.

### **About the SOMArts Studio Series**

The SOMArts (South of Market Arts, Resources, Technology, and Services) Studio Series is an informal assemblage of arts classes and events designed to encourage the production of contemporary work by artists of all ages and skill levels in San Francisco.

### **Listing Info:**

**What:** Feast of Words: A Literary Potluck

**Where:** SOMArts Cultural Center (934 Brannan St, between 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>)

**When:** Tuesday, January 4, 2011. 7:00pm to 9:00pm, doors open at 6:30pm

**What else:** Tickets are \$10 advance, \$5 with a potluck dish and \$12 at the door. For more information visit <http://feastofwords.eventbrite.com> or write [feastofwords@somarts.org](mailto:feastofwords@somarts.org)

### **About SOMArts Cultural Center**

SOMArts (South of Market Arts, Resources, Technology, and Services) was founded in 1979 and operates the South of Market Cultural Center, one of four city-owned cultural facilities in San Francisco. SOMArts supports exhibitions, performances, classes and other collaborations that serve its mission: to promote and nurture art on the community level and foster an appreciation of and respect for all cultures.

For more information about upcoming events, space rentals and technical services, visit [www.somarts.org](http://www.somarts.org) or call 415-863-1414. SOMArts programs are supported by the San Francisco Arts



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