

## Press Release January 2011

### Official Launch of EB100 The Elizabeth Bishop Centenary in Nova Scotia, 2011 ~ DISSOLVE IN A DAZZLING DIALECTIC!! ~



February 8, 2011, marks the **100th birthday** of the Pulitzer Prize winning poet **Elizabeth Bishop**. This great poet had deep roots in and an enduring connection with Nova Scotia, her childhood home. Throughout the year the Elizabeth Bishop Society of Nova Scotia and many artists and arts groups will be celebrating Elizabeth Bishop's life, art and legacy with a series of wonderful tributes, events and activities.

#### OFFICIAL LAUNCH: A WEEK OF EXCITING EVENTS

On February 8, 2011, the EBSNS and the artists involved in EB100 events will **officially launch the Elizabeth Bishop Centenary Celebrations** in the Atrium at Pipa Restaurant, 1685 Argyle Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres. Cash bar.

You are invited to join the celebration and hear about the many amazing Elizabeth Bishop events and activities that will take place throughout 2011. Meet some of the wonderful artists (singers, writers, painters, film-makers, composers, photographers, etc.) who will be on hand to talk about their EB100 work.

Some of the fabulous EB Centenary artists who will be present include: **Suzie LeBlanc, Dinuk Wijeratne, Susan Crowe, Anne Simpson, Roxanne Smith, Linda Rae Dornan, Adrian Hoffman, Lisa Lindo, John Plant** — and many more!!

This launch is part of a week of activities, which also includes:

The **annual Elizabeth Bishop Birthday Party and Elizabeth Bishop House fund-raiser**, taking place on Sunday, **February 6, 2011**, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., at the Writers Federation of Nova Scotia, at 1113 Marginal Road, Halifax, N.S.

**"Elizabeth Bishop in Words and Music," a Symphony Nova Scotia concert** featuring **renowned soprano Suzie LeBlanc**, on Thursday, **February 10, 2011**, at 7:30 p.m., at the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium, Dalhousie Arts Centre.

~ A YEAR OF CELEBRATIONS ~

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**EB100: The Elizabeth Bishop Centenary celebration in Nova Scotia** will be a series of events and activities (concerts, lectures, exhibits, readings, kitchen parties, tours, publications, etc.) Because Bishop was born on 8 February 1911 and died on 6 October 1979, events will occur throughout the province and across this time span, but four points during the year — winter, spring, summer and fall — will bring a particular concentration of activity.

In addition to the events in Great Village and Halifax, many artists — writers, musicians, painters, film-makers, photographers, actors, dancers, artisans, etc. — arts groups and universities in Nova Scotia will create events to mark the centenary.

The **Elizabeth Bishop Society of Nova Scotia** is Canada’s only society devoted to celebrating the life and art of the poet **Elizabeth Bishop**. Educating Nova Scotians and the world about her deep and abiding connections to the province is its purpose.

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