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1 Poet Tim Mayo to read from his newest collection at 118
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5 Poet Tim Mayo will be reading Saturday, July 11, from his
6 fifth collection, *Muscle Memories of Love and Disaster*, at 118
7 Eliot Street. Doors will open at 4 p.m.; the reading begins at 4:30.
8 Mayo's book explores grief and the loss of loved ones,
9 some recollections of early childhood, his work in a mental
10 hospital, a near-fatal accident, and finding love late in life.

11 Reading along with Mayo will be Carlene Kucharczyk,
12 whose book *Strange Hymn* won the 2026 Vermont Book Award,
13 and Pushcart Prize nominee Rebecca Hart Olander, publisher
14 and editor of the publishing house Perugia Press, whose book
15 *Singing from the Deep End* has garnered praise from *The*
16 *Indianapolis Review* and such notables as Amanda Holmes,
17 poetry editor at the *Washington Independent Review of Books*.

18 Book sales will be handled by ByWay Books & More of
19 Brattleboro.

20 Mayo, who has recently retired from 15 years working at
21 the Brattleboro Retreat, is one of the founding committee
22 members of the Brattleboro Literary Festival, which will celebrate
23 its 25th festival weekend this October.

24 A recipient of numerous writing awards, as well as
25 fellowships from The Vermont Studio Center, Mayo has also
26 received an MFA from the Bennington College Writing Seminars.

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