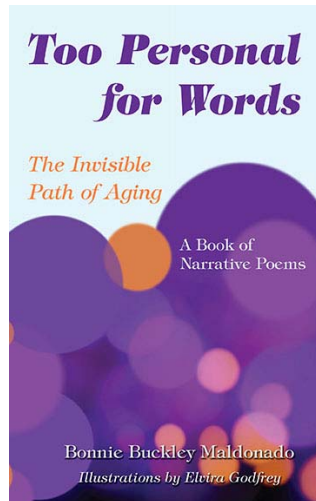


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Reading and Book Signing for *Too Personal for Words* at the Silver City Museum on Saturday, February 25th, at 2 pm



The Silver City Museum invites the community to a reading and book signing for *Too Personal for Words* with author Bonnie Maldonado. The presentation will take place on Saturday, February 25, 2012 at 2 pm at the Museum, located at 312 West Broadway in downtown Silver City. The book will be available for sale at the presentation.

Too Personal for Words is the fourth book of poetry by Bonnie Maldonado. In 2011, she was named the WILLA Finalist for her third book of poetry, *It's Only Raven Laughing*. Women Writing the West (WILLA), recognizes the literary efforts of its recipients in several categories.

Too Personal for Words considers the spontaneous spirit of childhood so taken for granted by the young. It suggests that elders could benefit from tapping into the boundless strength and energy that was once theirs. Doing so might mitigate the frustrations and fears which accompany aging.

The poems move from the glorious adventures of the young to a medley of aging experiences. Unacceptable realities are tempered by amusement, immediacy, and joy in conquering small things.

Elders can remain adventurous risk-takers. Dialogue is possible with the rock we can no longer move, the hole we can no longer dig, and the mountain we can no longer climb.

Bonnie Buckley Maldonado resides in the mountains near Pinos Altos, New Mexico, with her husband and a collection of rescued dogs and cats. She is a retired professor and dean from Western New Mexico University.

The Silver City Museum creates opportunities for residents and visitors to explore, understand and celebrate the rich and diverse cultural heritage of southwestern New Mexico by collecting, preserving, researching and interpreting the region's unique history. For more information about the Museum's programming, please contact staff at (575) 538-5921 or info@silvercitymuseum.org, and visit the Museum's website at www.silvercitymuseum.org.

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Poetry reading and book signing for Bonnie Maldonado's *Too Personal for Words* will be held Saturday, Feb 25th at 2pm at the Silver City Museum. Sponsored by the Silver City Museum Society, a nonprofit.