



## AMCA Toronto Lecture Series 2019

Friday, March 22, 2019 at 7:30 pm

### Ivo and Vinka Šoljan: The Canon of Croatian Poetry – 1450-2000

#### Ivo i Vinka Šoljan



**Dr. Ivo Šoljan** is a professor in the English Department, at Grand Valley State University, in West Michigan. He received his M.Phil. from the University of Nottingham, England, and his Ph.D., from the University of Belgrade, former Yugoslavia. In addition to Elizabethan drama, especially Shakespeare, he specializes in poetry translation.

**Vinka Šoljan** has worked as an English teacher and an editor, in a major publishing house, in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Together with her husband, Ivo, she has written numerous textbooks and translated books and specialized texts, from English into Croatian and vice versa.

#### Abstract

Ivo and Vinka Šoljan have for many years been deeply immersed in two cultures, two literatures, and two languages – Croatian and English. Their professional training in English Studies, combined with their unqualified bilingual abilities and their zest for poetry, make them the most competent authors to bring to life a highly ambitious project – a bilingual (Croatian – English) anthology of Croatian poetry, from its beginning up to our time; that is, from Marko Marulić (1450-1524) to Miljenko Jergović (born in 1966). It was published, in 2015, by the publishing house The Edwin Mellen Press, in USA and Wales (UK), under the title *The Canon of Croatian Poetry – 1450-2000 (Over 200 Croatian Poems with Facing English Translations)*. Along with an impressive 500-odd pages of poetry, the anthologists have provided a short explanatory introduction to each period.

#### *Admission*

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*(hors hors d'oeuvre and  
a glass of wine included)*



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