Take a walk through historic downtown Lewisburg and Bucknell and experience poetry along the way. Visitors to the Poetry Path will have the chance to read and hear recordings of poems by living poets, recited in the poets’ own voices. Each of the ten markers along the path features a poem chosen for its thematic resonance with a culturally significant Lewisburg locale.

Opened in August 2012, the Poetry Path is a project of the Stadler Center for Poetry at Bucknell University. In keeping with the Stadler Center’s mission, the Poetry Path seeks to make contemporary poetry a part of people’s everyday lives. An entirely new selection of poems is launched each August.

The Poetry Path is wheelchair-accessible and open year-round. For more information about the Poetry Path, please visit www.bucknell.edu/poetrypath.

We look forward to welcoming you.

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The Poetry Path includes sites in downtown Lewisburg and on Bucknell University’s campus.

SITE 1: BUCKNELL HALL: STADLER CENTER FOR POETRY
Home to the Stadler Center for Poetry since 1988, Bucknell Hall was built in the Queen Anne style of architecture and was one of the first buildings on Bucknell's campus.

SITE 2: UNDERGROUND RAILROAD
The red barn adjacent to the creek was a stop on the Underground Railroad, a series of secret safe-houses that helped an estimated 100,000 African Americans escape slavery in the years before the Civil War.

SITE 3: VETERANS MONUMENT
The statue at the intersection of University Avenue and South Third Street originally commemorated Union soldiers and now honors all veterans of military service.

SITE 4: CHURCHES
Clustered at the intersection of South Third Street and St. Louis are three of Lewisburg’s churches, examples of the Gothic Revival (Baptist), Ruskinian Gothic (Methodist), and Richardsonian Romanesque (Lutheran) architectural styles.

SITE 5: POST OFFICE BUILDING
Designed in the Neoclassical style, this building houses the Lewisburg Post Office, along with Bucknell administrative offices. The Lewisburg Opera House, destroyed by fire in 1908, once stood on the southeast corner of this site.

SITE 6: DOWNTOWN
An icon of downtown Lewisburg, the Campus Theatre is one of the few single screen Art Deco theaters remaining in the United States.

SITE 7: HUFNAGLE PARK
Now the site of community arts and recreational events, the park was named for police chief Gordon Hufnagle, who died saving lives in the flood of 1972.

SITE 8: KIDSBURG PLAYGROUND
Many Lewisburg individuals and organizations came together to establish Kidsburg, a creative play space for children. The playground equipment features innovative designs by Playworld Systems, Inc., based in Lewisburg.

SITE 9: LEWISBURG CEMETERY
Historic Lewisburg Cemetery features a Gothic-style chapel, Victorian family memorials of varying styles, and a memorial plot for soldiers of the Civil War and other conflicts.

SITE 10: 7TH STREET AND MOORE AVENUE
This main intersection at Bucknell University is a site of constant motion during the academic year. The Langone Center, on the southwest corner, is home to offices, eateries, and the Samek Art Gallery.