



Stockton Professor Emari DiGiorgio to Deliver Fall Commencement Address

**Award-Winning Writer and Faculty Member
Speaks at Ceremonies on December 16**

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Galloway Township, NJ- The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey will conduct its Annual Fall Commencement ceremonies at 1 p.m. on Sunday, December 16, 2012. The Commencement speaker is Associate Professor of Writing Emari DiGiorgio, a Stockton alumna who resides in Ventnor, NJ.

Earlier this year, DiGiorgio was named a Distinguished Teaching Artist by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. She is the recipient of the Governor's Award in Arts Education. Her poems have appeared in numerous print and online journals. She is also a recipient of a Vermont Studio Center Residency, a New Jersey State Council on the Arts Poetry Fellowship, and the Ellen LaForge Memorial Poetry Prize. She was recently featured in the Dodge Poetry Foundation's "Poetry Friday" blog.

In addition to her Stockton teaching and writing, DiGiorgio conducts a monthly creative writing workshop at the South Jersey chapter of the cancer resource center, Gilda's Club.

The degree conferral ceremony will be held in the Sports Center of the Galloway Township Campus. The Sports Center is located adjacent to parking lot 4, just off Vera King Farris Drive.

Preliminary estimates are for more than 850 degree candidates to participate in the Commencement.

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