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Poetry Out Loud Nationals - Spotlight on Janessa



*Janessa Gould, Wisconsin POL
(Poetry Out Loud) State Champion*

Altoona, WI — Soon 53 students will descend upon Washington DC and bring their talents to the stage to vie for the nation's top prize - and the Wisconsin State Champion and Altoona High School senior, Janessa Gould will compete in the 2017 POL National Semi Finals!

Janessa will compete in the Semi Finals round between 1:00-4:00 pm (EST) on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 along with other students from the Midwest and South Central states.

The National Finals will be held in the evening on Wednesday, April 26.

The 2017 POL National Semi Finals and Finals will be webcast live at <https://www.arts.gov/>
Follow the action on Twitter @poetryoutloud and #POL2017.

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