In this presentation moderated by Maria Mazziotti Gillen, several poets who are featured in Nora Jacobson’s new documentary “Ruth Stone’s Vast Library of the Female Mind,” talk about why they wanted to participate in the filming, and how Ruth Stone influenced them, their lives and their work. These include Ruth Stone’s granddaughter Bianca Stone, an accomplished poet and visual artist who made animations for the film, as well as poets Toi Derricotte, Chard DeNiord and Jan Freeman.

4 clips from the film will be shown, focusing on different aspects of Ruth Stone’s life, legacy and work. The panelists will respond to each one. Jacobson will talk about the genesis of the film and the reception it has received to date.

Though Ruth Stone won awards and accolades, many people in the literary world still don’t know her name. The goal of the film and the event is to reveal Stone’s poetry and life to a wider audience, as well as to pay tribute to this wholly original poet.

There will be time for a Q&A with questions and comments from the audience.

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