

John Haines



John Haines was born in Norfolk, Virginia and attended the National Art School in Washington, DC, American University, Hans Hoffmann School of Fine Art, and the University of Washington. He lived and worked in Alaska for years as a hunter, gardener, fisherman, trapper, and homesteader before being named the state's Poet Laureate in 1969. In 1997, Haines was named a Fellow by the Academy of American Poets, and he has received a lifetime achievement award from the Library of Congress.