

Women Writing for (a) Change® Programs

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For over 30 years, WWf(a)C has provided a safe, non-competitive environment for

individuals to develop their writing skills, cultivate their creativity, and strengthen their voices. Our writers, whether first-timers or the more experienced, find community, connection, and meaningful conversation within our circles. We encourage writing as a process of self-discovery and self-expression—a celebration of the individual voice. Our classes provide a unique setting in which honoring each other's words and learning to give and receive constructive feedback enrich participants' lives.

Summer Camps – Registration Now Open!

Strengthen Your Authentic Voice this summer!

IN-PERSON Grades 4-6 – July 18-22, 10am – 4pm - \$275

Theme: *Be a Good Relative*

Facilitator: Liv Linn

IN-PERSON Grades 7-9 – June 13-17, 10am – 4pm - \$275

Theme: *Following the Moon & Stars:*

Finding Little Lights in the Dark

Facilitators: Keegan Sullivan & Pam Temple

IN-PERSON Grades 10-12 – July 11-15, 10am – 4pm - \$275

Theme: *Creating Joy Under These Conditions*

Facilitators: Ally Bonhaus & Maura O'Dea

Camps are open to young women, non-binary, and trans youth of all genders. A \$75 deposit is required at the time of registration. **Scholarships are available!** Registration and COVID-19 protocols at womenwriting.org.

FREE Core Class Samplers

FREE Samplers are designed to introduce new participants to the practices used in WWf(a)C Core Classes before committing to the course. While Samplers are FREE, registration is required.

Thursday, June 2, 10-11:30am – Janie Baer
(Open to Women) – **IN-PERSON SAMPLER**

Thursday, June 2, 7-8:30pm – Meg Stentz
(Open to Women and Non-Binary Adults) – **Virtual, via Zoom**

Wednesday, June 8, 7-8:30pm – Laurie Lambert
(Open to All Genders) – **Virtual, via Zoom**

Saturday, June 18, 10-11:30am – Sally Schneider
(Open to Women) – **Virtual, via Zoom**

Tuesday, June 21, 10-11:30am – Sally Schneider
(Open to Women) – **Virtual, via Zoom**

Core Classes

In our **core classes**, facilitators offer writing prompts and resources, and encourage participants to choose and develop their own subject matter. Classes allow for personal writing time, sharing in large and small groups, guidance in giving and receiving useful, positive feedback, and opportunities to read aloud to an audience.

What's Different This Summer? Staggered start dates, an In-Person option for Thursday morning, and a Thursday evening class. Wednesday evenings with Diane Debevec is on "pause," and will return in the fall. Elizabeth Mannion is taking the summer off from facilitating the Thursday morning class and will return in the fall. Janie Baer will be facilitating Thursday mornings this summer.

Summer Term –8-Week Classes - \$249

Tuesdays, Jul 5-Aug 23, 10am-12:30pm – Sally Schneider
(Open to Women) – **Virtual, via Zoom**

Wednesdays, June 15-Aug 3, 7-9:30pm – Laurie Lambert
(Open to All Genders) – **Virtual, via Zoom**

Thursdays, June 9-Jul 28, 10am-12:30pm – Janie Baer
(Open to Women) – **IN-PERSON CLASS**

Thursdays, June 9-Jul 28, 7-9:30pm – Meg Stentz
(Open to Women and Non-Binary Adults) – **Virtual, via Zoom**

Saturdays, Jul 9-Aug 27, 10am-12:30pm – Sally Schneider
(Open to Women) – **Virtual, via Zoom**

Specialty Classes

Our specialty classes offer theme-based opportunities for writers and those wishing to explore other forms of creativity in addition to writing. Specialty Classes incorporate WWf(a)C circle practices into each session. Some classes are for all genders.

Let's Be Perfectly Queer – (Virtual via Zoom)

Sliding Scale Tuition - \$199, \$149 or \$99

Facilitators: Hannah Simon Goldman & Amy Thomas

Tuesdays, Jun 14 – Aug 2, 7-9:30pm

In this 8-week class we will continue to explore our own writing within the broader context of queer literature. We will read queer literary icons of our past, as well as engage with contemporary queer writers who continue questioning whose stories and modes of expression still live in the margins. Open to All Genders 18+.

Sliding Scale Tuition: \$199, \$149 or \$99. Questions? We've got a FREE Virtual Sampler for this class on Tuesday, May 31, 7:00-8:30pm.

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Craft of Writing Classes

These classes provide participants the opportunity to further hone their writing voice through instructions and exercises on craft designed to strengthen the power of story within their work. Whether writing memoir, creative non-fiction, or fiction, participants will benefit from these focused classes. Poets and essayists also find our Craft of Writing classes instrumental in shaping their work.

Summer Craft Circles – \$99 (Virtual via Zoom)

Facilitator: Karen Novak

3-class series, Jun 26, Jul 24, Aug 21, 1-4pm

Writing a large project, be it fiction, memoir, essay or poetry collection, takes much more than knowledge of craft. No matter where you are in the writing, these projects require community to motivate, support and discuss the time-intensive realities of tackling a full-length book. These three workshop circles will provide that community along with some real talk about commitment, discipline, and finishing. This is a circle of support rather than a class on specific craft elements (such as pacing). The circles will provide space to discuss goals, narrative problems, share new work, and strengthen our sense of accountability to ourselves. **Included:** Each participant will receive a one-hour private session with the facilitator to discuss individual projects. Open to Women and Non-binary Writers 16+.

Questions? We've got a FREE Virtual Sampler for this series on Sunday, June 12, 1-2pm ET.

Community Programs and Events

Offered by WWf(a)C partner organizations, and friends of WWf(a)C

Wine, Words & You – October 15, 2022

Want to help organize for this event? We could use your help in one or more of the following ways!

- Join the committee to help organize the event
- Help locate silent auction contributions
- Donate an item for the online silent auction
- Help at the event (In-Person, Virtual or Hybrid to be determined closer to the event.)

If interested, please email Mary Wood-Constable (mwoodconstable@womenwriting.org) or Carol Walkner (carolwalkner888@gmail.com).

Check out our website: womenwriting.org and follow us on Facebook: facebook.com/WWFAC for information about our programs, writing prompts, inspiration, discussions, and much more!

Our mission is to nurture and celebrate the individual voice by facilitating supportive writing circles and by encouraging people to craft more conscious lives through the art of writing and the practices of community. For more information about our programs or our organization, visit womenwriting.org or call 513-272-1171.