

The Society of Women Writers WA

CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOPS

Venue: John Forrest Room, Quality Inn Railway Motel & Function Centre, 51 Forrest Street Kalgoorlie

Saturday 20 August 2022

Plotter or Pantser?

8am to 10am

Do you use detailed outlines and beat sheets to plot out your stories before writing them? Or do you fly by the seat of your pants? Examine the pros and cons and what works for you, in Maria Bonar's workshop about short story structure, plot and characters.

Marathon Writing Competition

10.30am to 4pm

Helen Iles, author of *Bitter Comes the Storm, Fire in the Heartland*, and *The Horse Keepers*, will give you a series of writing prompts: a word, a phrase, an image or a song to generate ideas for writing stories, poetry or articles. There will be ten challenges, each lasting 20 minutes. The winner will receive a trophy and certificate. There are also prizes for second and third places. The aim is to produce first drafts, fresh new material for future writing projects. Don't worry about grammar, punctuation or spelling. Let the words spill out onto the paper. You will be amazed at how much writing you can produce.

Cost for Marathon \$30

SUNDOWNER Writing Murder and Mayhem

6pm to 8pm Helen Iles' workshop will help you create a suspenseful story that readers can't put down. The workshop covers: memorable sleuths, cunning villains, crime types, laying clues and how to devise an unforgettable ending.

Sunday 21 August 2022

Life Writing/Memoirs 8am to 10am

Helen Iles will show you how to structure and focus your writing to engage and interest the reader, to capture the memorable, the historic, the poignant and the truly unique aspects of your life story or memoir.

Turn Prose into Poetry

10.30am to 12.30pm Have you ever written a piece of descriptive prose and had nowhere to use it. Do you struggle coming up with ideas for a poem? Can you combine prose and poetry? Helen Iles will cover all those aspects to help you produce engaging and beautiful poetry.

Colour Meditation for Writing

1.30pm to 3.30pm Maria Bonar will use colour meditation to inspire a series of creative writing exercises

Erotic Fiction for Women

3.45pm to 5.45pm Adults Only

In this lively and entertaining workshop, Maria Bonar, winner of the Stringybark Erotic Short Fiction Award will show you how to write quality erotic fiction that will make your writing stand out from the rest.

Cost per Workshop

 \$35 for Society members; \$40 for non-members Cost for Marathon \$30.
For bookings, information or membership queries, telephone 0429 116 395 or email: <u>swwwabookingofficer@gmail.com</u> Website: <u>www.swwofwa.com.au</u>