

**THE SOCIETY OF WOMEN WRITERS WA
CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025**

GENERAL MEETINGS

Tea and coffee supplied

Members \$5

Visitors \$6

JANUARY

21/01/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am – 12md

General Meeting 12.15pm – 2pm

BQ Winners Readings

Open mike

2025 Anthology opens - Theme: 'Change'

FEBRUARY

Wednesday Writing Classes

5/2/25 and 12/2/25 Tutor Aileen Boyer (2) – Topic: Finding Your Voice

19/2/25 and 26/2/25 Tutor Helen Iles (2) - Topic – For Aspiring Writers, where to begin.

18/02/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am – 12md

General Meeting 12.15pm – 2pm

Guest Speaker: Michael Trant

Topic: Combining fact and fiction into a story for publication.

Book Editors Club 2pm – 3pm

MARCH

Wednesday Writing Classes

5/3/25 Tutor Helen Iles - Topic – The Stages of Physical Intimacy in Romance Writing

12/3/25 Tutor Helen Iles - Topic - Writing a Sestina

19/3/25 Tutor Helen Iles - Topic – The Art of Writing Creatively

26/3/25 Tutor Shirley Eldridge - Topic - Character Development

15/3/2025 Citiplace

Writing for Children – When You Can't Draw

Helen Iles: 12.30pm – 5pm.

Members \$100; Non-members \$130.

18/3/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am – 12md

General Meeting 12.15pm – 2pm

Guest Speaker: Per Henningsgaard - Topic: Editing and Publishing

Nuts & Bolts Workshop 2pm – 3pm

APRIL

Wednesday Writing Classes

2/4/25 and 9/4/25 Tutor Aileen Boyer - (2) Topic: Choice Words – Making your words count – Editing.

16/4/25 Tutor Helen Iles - (1) Topic: Storyboarding your plot

23/4/25 Tutor Helen Iles - (1) Topic: Marketing Your Book and Yourself

11-13/04/25 St Catherine's Retreat - Cost: \$300

15/04/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am – 12md

General Meeting 12.15pm – 2pm

Guest Speaker: Dr Lynne Hunt - Topic: Writing for the Anthology

Book Editors Club 2pm – 3pm

MAY

Wednesday Writing Classes

7/5/25 and 14/5/25 Tutor Aileen Boyer (2) Writing the Ordinary – Make everyday subjects come to life.

21/5/25 and 28/5/25 Tutor Helen Iles (2) Public Speaking

10/5/2025 Citiplace

How to Self-Publish Your Book Workshop

Helen Iles: 12.30pm – 5pm

Cost: Members \$100; Non-members \$130.

17/5/25 – Meet the Author Promotional Day

Venue: State Library Theatre - Event 11.00 to 2.00 pm

20/05/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am – 12md

General Meeting 12.15 – 2pm

Guest Speaker: Deborah Hunn - Topic: Preparing for the Bronze Quill

Nuts & Bolts Workshop 2pm – 3pm

30/05/2025 Submissions Close for the Anthology of 'Change'

JUNE

Wednesday Writing Classes

4/6/25 and 11/6/25 Tutor Helen Iles - (2) Topic: Word for Writers – Computer Skills Part 1

18/6/25 Tutor Helen Iles – (1) Topic: Working with Graphics – Computer Skills

25/6/2025 Tutor Asha Rajan– (1) Topic: Social Media for Writers

17/06/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am – 12md

General Meeting 12.00pm – 2pm

Guest speaker Tracey Dembo – Poetry. 12.00 start

Book Editors Club 2pm – 3pm

21/6/2025 Citiplace

Writing a Novel – the Essential Elements to Success

Helen Iles: 12.30pm – 5pm

Cost: Members \$100; Non-members \$130.

JULY

01/07/25 Bronze Quill Competition Opens

Wednesday Writing Classes

July 2 - Tutor: Lyn Bodycoat - (1) Topic: Getting started on your book

July 9 - Tutor: Kathleen Knight – (1) Topic: Questioning my writing

July 16 - Tutor: Kathleen Knight – (1) Topic: Children's Book Conventions

July 23 - Tutor: Kathleen Knight – (1) Topic - Writer in Residence –Application Writing

15/07/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am – 12md

Annual General Meeting 12.15pm – 2pm

Book Launches and Book Promotions

Open Mic -

Nuts & Bolts Workshop 2pm – 3pm

AUGUST

05/08/25 Citiplace

Committee Planning Meeting 10am – 1pm

Wednesday Writing Classes

August 6 - Tutor: Kathleen Knight – (1) Topic: Writing short fiction

August 13 - Tutor: Helen Iles – (1) Topic: Immersive Writing

August 20 & 27 - Tutor: Helen Iles – (2) Topic: Crime Writing

16/08/25 Citiplace

Turning Poetry into Songs Workshop

Helen Iles: 12.30pm – 5pm

Members \$100; Non-members \$130

19/08/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am - 12md

General Meeting 12.15pm – 2pm

Guest Speaker: Open Mike and Ideas Fest.

Topic: Bronze Quill Writing and Expectations

Book Editors Club 2pm – 3pm

SEPTEMBER

2-6/09/25 Writers Retreat

Jarraah Forrest Lodge, Dwellingup Cost: TBA

Wednesday Writing Classes

September 3 – Tutor – Linda Blackshaw – (1) Topic: Finding Your Voice on Social Media

September 10 - Tutor: Kathleen Knight - (1) Topic: Writing non-fiction, autobiography and biography

September 17 - Tutor: Kathleen Knight - (1) Topic: Writing Funny

September 24 - Tutor: Helen Iles - (1) Topic – Computing Skills for Writers Part 3 – audio/video

13/9/25 Citiplace

Marketing Your Book & Yourself

Helen Iles: 12.30pm – 5pm

Cost: Members \$100; Non-members \$130.

16/09/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am-12md

General Meeting 12.15pm – 2pm

Guest Speaker: Readings from the Retreat

Topic:– Preparation for Bronze Quill topics

Nuts & Bolts Workshop 2pm – 3pm

30/09/24 Bronze Quill Competition Closes.

OCTOBER

Wednesday Writing Classes

October 1, 8, 15, 22 - Tutor: Kathleen Knight – (4) Topic: Travel Writing

October 29 - Tutor: Helen Iles - Topic: (1) Computer Skills for Writers – Part 4 – Audio book Recording

11-12/10/25, Kalgoorlie Weekend Workshops

Topics: TBA

21/10/25 Citiplace

Committee Meeting 9.30am – 12md

General Meeting 12.15pm – 2pm

Guest Speaker: Open Mike and Ideas Fest.

Topic TBA

Book Editors Club 2pm – 3pm

NOVEMBER

Wednesday Writing Classes

November 5, 12 & 19 - Tutor: Helen Iles – (1) Topic: Writing Children's Picture Books for Non-Artists

November 26- Tutor: Kathleen Knight – (1) Topic - Classical Poetry for Influence

8/11/25 Citiplace

Seniors Week: Writing Your Life Story

Helen Iles: 12.30pm – 5pm.

Cost: \$35

18/11/25 Venue – Novotel Langley

Bronze Quill and SWWWA Book Awards Luncheon

11.45am – 3pm. Cost: TBA

?/12/25 December

Committee Meeting Wind up & Review

9.30am – 12 noon

Venue – Lyn's place. 1 Sulman Rd Wembley Downs.
