

The Los Angeles Chapter of ABWHE Welcomes You To Our...

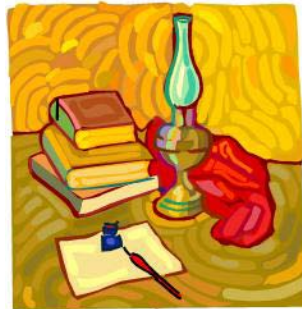
Summer Writing Retreat

Saturday, August 8th, 2009

8:30am-4:30pm

Pepperdine University

Malibu, CA



"I'm not a very good writer, but I'm an excellent rewriter." - James Michener

"The story I am writing exists, written in absolutely perfect fashion, some place, in the air. All I must do is find it, and copy it." - Jules Renard, "Diary," February 1895

Fill your paper with the breathings of your heart. - William Wordsworth

RETREAT SCHEDULE

8:30am-9:15am Check In and Continental Breakfast

9:30am-11am “The Elasticity of Experience”
Dorothy Randall Gray, MSC

11:15am-12pm “Stress, Procrastination, Writer’s Block”
Dr. Tanya Brown

12:15pm - 1:15pm Lunch

If you came to the retreat to get away from the distractions of home and write in a peaceful environment, please feel free to do so at any point in the afternoon schedule.

1:30pm-2:15pm “Organizing, Outlining and Editing”
Small Group Workshops

-Grant writing and academic publishing with Dr. Aradhna Tripathi and Dr. Bree Davis

-Creative writing with Dorothy Randall Gray, MSC

-Thesis and dissertation writing with Dr. Sharoni Little and Dr. Heather Tarleton

2:30-4pm “Being Productive with Time”

This is your opportunity to apply everything learned today to the document that you brought with you to the retreat. Afternoon refreshments are provided in the main conference room.

4pm-4:30pm Wrapping Up Our Day



We Are Grateful For Presentations By...

Dorothy Randall Gray, MSC is the best-selling author of *Soul Between The Lines: Freeing Your Creative Spirit Through Writing* (Avon), and six other books of fiction, poetry and non-fiction. A former New York University faculty member, she is a trained facilitator and popular speaker whose nationally acclaimed creative writing workshops and self-actualization seminars have inspired thousands throughout the United States and abroad. She has been featured on radio and television, at museums, universities and cultural institutions. Her creative consultant, empowerment, and personal development services have been commissioned by many educational, business and professional organizations. These include the United Nations, Barnes & Noble, PEN America, Columbia University, Carnegie-Mellon Institute, The Open Center, God's Love We Deliver, National Writers Union, Downstate Medical Center, 100 Black Women, Holistic Health Alliance, Family Support Center, and the Poetry Therapy Association. For further information please contact: Heartland Institute for Transformation, 1555 N. Vermont Avenue, Suite 189, Los Angeles, California 90027, (323) 661-3623, DRGheartland@aol.com.

Dr. Tanya Brown is the graduate and family housing specialist and staff psychologist at the UCLA counseling and psychological services. She is actively involved in outreach on campus. Her clinical interests include: promoting academic success among underrepresented student groups, multicultural counseling, international and first-generation student transition and adjustment to college life, post-traumatic stress, and substance abuse/dependence. Her research interests explore power dynamics within social groups, agency, and civic efforts toward social change.

Dr. Aradhna Tripathi is a faculty member in the Department of Earth and Space Sciences at the University of California, Los Angeles. Her research/teaching/professional interests as a scientist and educator are to (i) develop, calibrate, and apply tools for use in studies of climate change, (ii) improve public awareness of climate change, and the basic and social relevance of earth and ocean sciences, (iii) enhance diversity in higher education. The aim of Dr. Tripathi's research is to understand the role of the carbon cycle in changing seawater chemistry and climate.

Dr. Bree Elizabeth Davis received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from the University of California San Diego and her Masters of Arts and Doctorate degrees in Clinical Psychology from the California School of Professional Psychology-Los Angeles (now ALLIANT University). Her proficiency is in Multicultural Community Clinical Psychology. Dr. Davis has over 13 years of experience training, working and managing in the fields of substance abuse, co-occurring disorders, child welfare, children and families services and program development in social service non-profit

organizations. She received her clinical training from South Central Training Consortium, Children's Hospital Los Angeles High risk Youth Program, and US Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Prisons Terminal Island. Her professional experiences include employment at WATTSHHealth Foundation, SHIELDS For Families, US Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Prisons Lompoc and St. Anne's. Currently, Dr. Davis is the Director of Family Based Services at St. Anne's. In this capacity, she develops, creates and builds family-centered, strength-based programs centered in the community that provide comprehensive, intensive, center and/or home-based services to high-risk youth and their families. She also provides program development strategies and consultation on the provision of gender-specific, high-risk, and underserved services, particularly pregnant and parenting youth. Dr. Davis is a native of Los Angeles and currently resides there with her 8 year old son, Jassiem. Her professional interests include: Public Policy - Mental Health, Child Welfare, Social Services for Children and Families; Community-based non-profit program development; African-American/Black psychotherapy treatment issues; and Forensic Psychology and criminal justice.

Dr. Sharoni Denise Little is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Management Communication in the Marshall School of Business at the University of Southern California. She teaches various undergraduate and graduate courses including Management and Communication Leadership, Communication in the Working World: Managing Diversity and Conflict, Strategic Communication, and Advanced Writing for Business. A skilled facilitator and coach, Dr. Little has worked with numerous executives and organizations specializing in Management and Leadership Communication, Organizational and Risk Management, and Institutional Diversity and Equity. She earned her Ph.D. from Indiana University in Rhetoric, with a minor in Law. She will also complete an Ed. D. in Educational Leadership from the USC Rossier School of Education in September, 2009. Dr. Little previously received her Bachelor and Master of Arts Degrees from California State University, Los Angeles in Organizational Communication. Her research examines Global Diversity and Equity, Strategic Leadership and Communication, Educational Leadership, and victimage rhetoric. Dr. Little is the proud mother of twin sons, Jared and Jaren.

Dr. Heather P. Tarleton is a postdoctoral researcher in Molecular Cancer Epidemiology at the University of California, Los Angeles. She holds a Master of Public Affairs and Politics from Rutgers University, a Doctorate in Molecular Biology from Princeton University and will begin a Master of Science degree program in Epidemiology this coming fall. Dr. Tarleton has conducted research in the field of embryonic stem cell development and written papers on stem cell policy and regulation. Dr. Tarleton is also a Lecturer in UCLA's Department of Molecular, Cell and Developmental Biology where she developed and taught undergraduate courses in "Stem Cell Biology, Politics and Ethics", "AIDS and Other STDs", and "The Emergence of Public Policy and Bioethics". Her passion and purpose is to guide students who are transitioning from undergraduate to graduate student and to provide mentorship and support to graduate students in master's and doctoral programs.

And Last, But Most Certainly Not Least, We Are Thankful for
the Time and Effort Given By...

Tabatha Jones, Pepperdine University

Kari Enge, University of Southern California

Tonisha Jester, University of Southern California

This Retreat Would Not Have Been Possible Without Them.



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