



Creative Wordshops

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What's on Oct 2020

Zoom
Storyshops
mini-retreats
Writesops
Conversations

Zoom and Face to Face Spring offerings

Wherever you are in the world... you can be part of a 'virtual' group or enjoy one-on-one mentoring

The **online support is alive and well** - The Rough Writing Road Journal course, Poetry, Fiction, Writing your Spiritual Journey, Downtime with Dori, one-on-one mentoring and mini-wordshops

Zoom meet and teach - mini workshops

I am already addicted to your zingy zoom and would like to join you for the next 'word chops'...and find strength and joy in the river of your unfolding. (Silja)

Folks connect, enjoy the company and experience, and in no time are writing away.

Cost: R340 per workshop of 3+ hours 09.30 -12.45 SA time

I create a space that is safe, supportive and encouraging

Please email me if you want to be part of this experience. I'll explain how to prepare for the session and send you the zoom link to click on.

Beginner writers welcome. We re-experience beginner's mind. No pressure to share. You can be a silent listener if you are more comfortable with that.

These workshops are for those who wish to:

- ✚ Explore the symbols and archetypes in their lives
- ✚ Live a larger life
- ✚ learn and practice the craft of writing
- ✚ be entranced by the power of stories
- ✚ find support and good company
- ✚ open to their creativity and imagination
- ✚ find their voice
- ✚ connect to readers

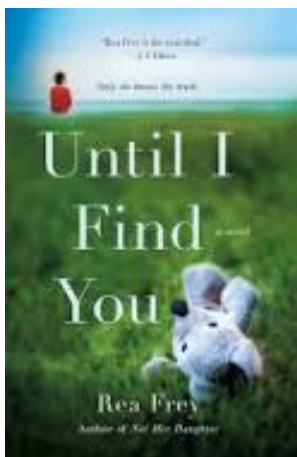
1. Fiction and Life? The thin line. A Zoom Writing Workshop

Sun 11 Oct 2020 09.30 – 12.40ish R340 pp (12 max)

Fiction is art and art is the triumph over chaos... to celebrate a world that lies spread out around us like a bewildering and stupendous dream.

(John Cheever)

We love stories for we are stories - living walking talking stories. The Psalmist reminds us *we live our days as a tale that is told*. We make up as we go along. Our memories are tricksters for we are forever interpreting what has happened in different ways. This workshop considers how this can increase our sense of aliveness and enrich our lives and writing.



A fiction writer's memory is an imperfect provider of detail; we can always imagine a better detail... the most truthful one is what could or should have happened... Being a writer is a strenuous marriage between careful observation and just as carefully imagining the truths you haven't had the opportunity to see. (John Irving)

2. The Rough Writing Road: Keeping a Journal

Sun 25 Oct 2020 09.30 – 12.40ish R340 pp (12 max)

Why the rough road? It's writing that has not been crafted or edited. Spontaneous. Rough also as in rough days. It's the place of beginning.



Many writers have kept journals. The journal is a vehicle for my sense of selfhood. It represents me as emotionally and spiritually independent. Therefore (alas) it does not simply record my actual, daily life but rather—in many cases—offers an alternative to it. (Susan Sontag)

Journals inform and support all genres. As a think book a plan book an open-hearted one. Instants of inspiration. As William Blake says, *kissing the moment as it flies*. This workshop will lead you into keeping that vital journal.

How the zoom works - step by step

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The morning unfolds through 5 mini sessions (around 180-190 minutes) and includes conversation and practice.

Dorian helps you call in the symbols, metaphors, rhythms of your life, like wild children, and bring them home. More than teaching how to write, he shows how to live. (Susan Mann, novelist)

And ongoing monthly meetings...



3. Magic Carpet Writing Group R690 (6 sessions)

Next **Zoom** Wed 28 Oct 17. 30 - 19.30

Need to be part of a fun-loving supportive thinking/being group of aspirant writers?

.... we meet in an art studio. Writing exercises, conversation, energy, soup and wine. Beginners are welcome... make writing friends

Our 2020 theme? – **Once upon a life..... Fairy tales – ancient, modern and us**

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