

Thursday, February 4, 2010

Youth Writing Half-Day Workshops

by Rebecca Rivard

Investment in writing is second nature to Meadow Brook Writing Project graduates; I would like you to consider endowing that gift to someone else. The MBWP and Oakland University are sponsoring half-day, genre specific workshops for children in grades 2-5 on several Saturdays this year. We also have one workshop specifically for students in grades 6-8.

These workshops will be writing intensive and fun, with reader's theater and science experiments mixed in for an exciting, cross curriculum learning event. If you know of a young lover of writing, or perhaps an emergent writer who would benefit from this experience, please urge them to sign up.

Our first workshop begins in one week, just in time to cure those winter doldrums and inspire future MBWP initiates.



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All ½ day Saturday workshops are \$12.00 and will be located in the Oakland Center on the Oakland University Campus.

To register for any or all workshops, contact Professor Rivard at rivard2@oakland.edu

Grades 2-5

Mystery Writing Saturday, February 6, 2010

1:00 to 3:00pm

Would you like to be an author of your own mystery story? The secrets of mystery writing will be revealed while you create your own mystery story to take home. Crime scene investigating experiments will also be conducted as part of our exploration.

Science Fiction Writing Saturday, April 17, 2010

1:00 to 3:00pm

Robots? Ray guns? Outer space? Future Technologies? Or maybe a future where school does not exist? We will delve into the "literature of ideas" in this writing genre that uses today's scientific studies to predict our future – with a strong dose of imaginative speculation. Reader's theater, along with a beaker of mythology will serve to inspire us.

Poetry Writing Saturday, May 8, 2010

1:00 to 3:00 pm

Poetry means so many different things to so many children; we hope to share the infinite possibilities of words in this workshop. We will be exploring the Oakland University campus in search of inspiration with GPS searches for treasured words, Reader's Theater, and a grand performance of our original works.

Writing Camp at the Meadowbrook Mansion June and July 2010

Mystery Writing Saturday, September 11, 2010

1:00 to 3:00pm

Would you like to be an author of your own mystery story? The secrets of mystery writing will be revealed while you create your own mystery story to take home. Crime scene investigating experiments will also be conducted as part of our exploration.

Ghost Story Writing Saturday, October 9, 2010

1:00-3:00 pm

Are you ready for some supernatural fun? Learn how to create a spooky atmosphere in writing – from the mundane to the extraordinary. We will reveal the elements necessary to conjure a story that will enchant or frighten. Skits and mysterious experiments will enhance our experience.

Grades 6-12

Fantasy Writing Saturday, May 15, 2010

Whether you like magic, shapeshifters, mythology, heroic epics, fairies or just magical realism – this is the workshop for you! We will transmogrify the elements of Fantasy into relevant tales you will create and take home. Visual and oral inspiration through imagery and theatrics will aid in world building, culture and race creation, questing, and the important thread of plot.

Comic Book and Anime Writing, Saturday, June 19, 2010

Are you Otaku? Do you love a great comic book? The history, artwork and especially the writing elements of anime and comic book creations

