

2013 BLACK FLY WRITING RETREAT

Thursday, May 2 - Sunday, May 5

Shoreline Camps on Big Lake in Grand Lake Stream

Registration Due: March 29, 2013

Lifting Up Your Reader's Heart

Fiction with Brock Clarke

A Novelist's Guide to Memoir

Memoir with Monica Wood

The Classroom of the Poem

Poetry with Wesley McNair

Story, Not Formula

Crime Fiction with Paul Doiron

Writing for Emotional Impact

Children's & Y/A with Jennifer Jacobson

Join the MWPA for an inspiring four-day, three-night weekend of workshops, readings, and writing at the idyllic Shoreline Camps on Big Lake in Grand Lake Stream. Attendees will arrive Thursday, May 2 and depart Sunday, May 5.

2013 Black Fly Writing Retreat attendees will spend three mornings in workshops of no more than twelve participants working with one instructor. Afternoons will be open for writing and optional thirty-minute individual sessions with the instructors. In addition to the intensive workshops and one-on-one sessions, the weekend will include faculty and participant readings.

Shoreline Camps is a cluster of rustic, lakeside cabins. Each cabin will house a varying number of Black Fly Writing Retreat attendees. Each cabin includes an equipped kitchen, fresh linens, blankets, and bath towels. Each cabin includes a wood stove and outdoor fireplace with complementary firewood.

Thanks to our partnership with the Maine Community Foundation, we are proud to offer a Martin Dibner Memorial Fellowship for Maine Writers, which will cover the full cost of one attendee to the 2013 Black Fly Writing Retreat. See the "FELLOWSHIP" heading below for more information on how to apply.

PRICING FOR MEMBERS

OPTION #1 (\$550)

As always, we offer an all-inclusive retreat package that includes a participant's lodging, meal plan, and workshop fees. The meal plan includes dinner on Thursday, lunch and dinner on both Friday and Saturday, and lunch on Sunday. **Please note that breakfast is not included in the meal plan.*

OPTION #2 (\$400)

In the interest of offering the 2013 Black Fly Writing Retreat at various price points, this option includes only lodging and workshop fees. Attendees may then prepare their own meals in their cabins.

OPTION #3 (\$250)

If you are lucky enough to live in the beautiful northeast of Maine and can drive to Shoreline Camps in Grand Lake Stream, you may take advantage of this option and attend the workshops but forgo lodging and meals. **You may choose Option #3 and pay a la carte for lunches and dinners.*

PRICING FOR NONMEMBERS

OPTION #1 (\$700)

OPTION #2 (\$550)

OPTION #3 (\$350)

HOW TO REGISTER

MAIL MWPA, 314, Forest Avenue #318, Portland ME 04101

EMAIL director@mainewriters.org

CALL 207-228-8263

FAX 207-228-8150

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FELLOWSHIP

In partnership with the Maine Community Foundation, the Maine Writers & Publishers Alliance is proud to offer the Martin Dibner Memorial Fellowship for Maine Writers.

The Dibner Fellowships provide grants to promising Maine writers who have not published a full-length book to allow them to further their writing skills and experience. The fellowships are open to writers of all genres and there is no fee to apply.

The Dibner Fellowship will cover the full cost of one attendee to the 2013 Black Fly Writing Retreat. Every applicant must submit an application, statement of need, and work sample.

Fellowship applications must be *received* in the MWPA office by Friday, March 29, 2013. No late applications will be accepted. Applicants will be notified of their status in April 2013.

WANT TO RESERVE A WORKSHOP SLOT?

If you're concerned that a workshop might fill up before you have time to fill out and mail a registration form, just contact us and we'd be happy to hold you a workshop slot for one week. Contact: director@mainewriters.org / 207-228-8264

PAYMENT

The MWPA is not able to accept installment payments. Workshop space will not be reserved until we receive full payment. If an agency, business, school, or other organization is paying student fees, payment is still due at the time of registration. Purchase orders or intent to pay are not accepted. The MWPA accepts checks, money orders, cash, and Visa or MasterCard through our PayPal account, printed registration forms, or over the phone. If you would prefer to pay with American Express or Discover, payment can be made through our PayPal account. If you are unfamiliar with PayPal, we will be happy to assist you. A \$25 fee is assessed for bad checks.

CANCELLATION REFUNDS

A nonrefundable fee of 25% of the workshop cost is included in each registration. Partial refunds (75% of the workshop fee) will be granted for cancellations made at least one week before the writing retreat. Cancellations made less than one week in advance will not be refunded, no matter how compelling the reason. We cannot refund participants for missed workshops.

RETREAT CANCELLATION

Workshops that do not meet a minimum enrollment may be canceled up to two business days (48 hours) prior to the first class meeting. If a workshop is canceled by the MWPA for any reason, all registrants will receive a full refund.

BAD WEATHER POLICY

Weather-related cancellations are extremely rare. Call 207-450-1225 to check on the status of your workshop if you are concerned about inclement weather. If a workshop is canceled for weather-related reasons, the MWPA will announce the cancellation as soon as possible, the workshop will be rescheduled, and all registrants will be notified of the new date. If a registrant cannot attend the rescheduled workshop due to scheduling conflicts, the registrant will receive a full refund.