

Writers Weekend 2018



The Mark Twain House & Museum

Saturday Sept 29

TIME	Auditorium	Classroom A	Classroom B	Carriage House Barn
8:00 - 8:30	Registration/Coffee			
8:30-9:00	Opening Remarks			
9:00-10:15	Hank Herman: Make Fun of Yourself! Turning your Life's Less-Than-Stellar Moments into Humor	Dana Meachen Rau: Injecting your Character with a Dose of Emotion	Susanne Davis: Putting Together a Short Story or Essay Collection from Concept to Publication	Susan Campbell: Developing A Writer's Eye
10:30-11:45	Matthew Dicks: Telling Your Story - The Importance of Storytelling in the Creative and Commercial Life of a Writer	Cathleen Davitt Bell/CD Bell: Wringing Out the Washcloth: How Collaborative Writing Keeps You Honest and Brings New Energy to Your Craft.	Jane Haertel: Adding a Romantic Arc to Your Fiction	Bessy Reyna: Poetry as Memoir
11:45-1:00	<i>Lunch on your own</i>			
1:00-2:15	Playwrights Panel: Jacques Lamarre, Edwin Sanchez, Erin Striff, and Jeffrey Kagan-McCann			
2:15-3:45	Frank Rizzo: So You Want To Be An Arts Journalist? Some Critical Thinking — And Advice	Stacy DeKeyser: A Seat-of-the-Pants Method to Outline Your Novel	Kate Rushin: Practicing Haiku — Observation and Images	
4:00-5:15	Gina Barreca: Making Trouble With Your Very First Line			
5:15-6:30	<i>Hors D'Oeuvres and Cash Bar</i>			
7:00-9:00	Keynote: Gary Shteyngart (Auditorium)			

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8:00 - 9:00	Mark Twain House tours			
9:00-10:15	Kim Knox Beckius: Write Where You Are - Juggling Writing with Traveling, Parenting, a Day Job or Whatever Gets in Your Way	Chris Knopf: Demystifying the Mystery Novel		
10:30-11:45		Sheryl Kayne: How to Pitch and Query Literary Agents, Editors, and Publishers	Christine Beck: Having Fun with Poetry Revision	Amity Gaige and Ethan Rutherford: The Short Game vs. The Long Ball - Writing Novels vs. Short Stories
11:45-1:00	<i>Lunch</i>			
1:00-2:15	Terry Wolfisch Cole: Introduction to Personal Storytelling Introduction to Personal Storytelling	Patrice Fitzgerald: Quit Querying and Publish Pronto!	Susan Schoenberger: Short Stories: Gateway to the Novel	Marie Shanahan: Social Media for Writers
2:15-3:45	Jacques Lamarre, Ann Sample Lineberger, and David Polgar: How to Avoid Lawsuits and Other Awkward Encounters	Kim Knox Beckius: Photography Tips for Writers		
4:00-5:15	Mark Twain House tours			
5:15-6:30	<i>Dinner on your own</i>			
7:00-9:00	Capstone: Jodi Picoult (Immanuel Congregational Church)			