

Surfwriters Newsletter

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~~~ Announcements ~~~

SURFWRITERS CELEBRATES 50 YEARS!

Surfwriters Meeting

~~ Friday, February 27th ~~

10am-Noon

11:00am

Sigrid and Richey Novak

present

"Trading Spaces: Ziggy & Richey's Adventures of a Year Abroad in Europe."

*Palos Verdes Art Center
5504 W. Crestridge Road
Rancho Palos Verdes 90275
(310) 541-2479*

~~ Looking Ahead to April ~~

Surfwriters & La Mer Consort
present

Poetry and Music in the Gallery --Saturday, April 25, 2009

Malaga Cove Library, 2400 Via Campesina
Palos Verdes Estates 90274

~~ Other Weekend Activities ~~

The 14th Annual Los Angeles Times Festival of Books will take place April 25-26, 2009.

◊Δ◊ -- Community Events -- ◊Δ◊

~~ Writing Workshops ~~

(Free of Charge)

Millie Ames Writing Workshop

Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Peninsula Center Library

Conference Room (Main Level)

701 Silver Spur Road

Rolling Hills Estates 90274

Purpose: To help writers get published

Facilitator: Jean Shriver

Frequency: Meets Weekly

(no meeting the last week of the year)

Genre: Fiction and Non-Fiction

(no drama or poetry)

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~~ Writing Workshops ~~

(Free of Charge)

Writing Workshop

Frequency: Meets Bi-weekly

Fridays 1:45-4:00 p.m.

Next meeting: March 6th

Palos Verdes Estates

Purpose: Explore voice, form, and style;

support/critique work;

share publishing opportunities.

Facilitator: Rotating

(Everyone who wishes may participate as facilitator!)

Questions? Contact kcjohnson@starnetdial.net.

Genre: Poetry/Short Prose

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~~ Coffee Cartel ~~

Guests and Open Mic Readings

No charge. Tuesdays 8:10 p.m. (Sign up for open mic at 7:45 p.m.)

Hosts Jim Doane, Larry Colker,
Stephany Prodromides & Cynthia Underwood

Featured Readers in February 2009

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| February 3 | Jawanza Dumisani |
| February 10 | Carine Topal |
| February 17 | Romus Simpson |
| February 24 | Tim Green |

1820 So. Catalina Ave., Riviera Village
Redondo Beach 90277

For info, call (310) 548-5344
or visit www.redondopoets.com.

~~ Anthology Project Update~~

- Last month, authors were invited to forward anthology cover design suggestions. Seven ideas were offered via e-mail and in person at the January meeting. From these, committee members unanimously selected the Surfwriters logo.
- Table of contents and index have been drafted.
- To be completed: review of authors' final changes, and addition of front matter for the volume.

~~ January Meeting News~~

Our Own Poet Laureate

Deb Paul's online suggestion (see last month's newsletter) sparked a discussion at January's meeting, in which members voted to establish the position of Surfwriters Poet Laureate. Selection would take place during or after the annual Poetry and Music in the Gallery event, and each Poet Laureate would serve for one year.

Another Annual Event?

President Maria Ruiz suggested that we hold an annual event at the Peninsula Center Library. Members would read/perform excerpts from their work. Shall we call the event "Surfwriters Presents..."?

~~Other Announcements~~

~~ Peninsula Friends of the Library Books for Troops ~~

A \$15 donation will provide 40 books for our troops around the world. To donate, contact Malaga Cove Library, 2400 Via Campesina, Palos Verdes Estates 90274, (310) 377-9584 x553.

~~ Los Angeles Times Festival of Books at UCLA ~~

Get ready for the Los Angeles Times Book Prizes (April 24) and the Los Angeles Times Festival of Books (April 25-26)!

<http://www.latimes.com/extras/festivalofbooks/>

UCLA Main Campus, Westwood

Admission is free. Parking is \$8. Tickets are required for indoor panel and speaker sessions. Click above link for information.

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*Wishing best of good health to all our members in 2009!*

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