

Writing

Creative Writing, Level 1

Do you enjoy writing poetry or fiction? Even if you don't consider yourself a creative person, you'll discover sources of inspiration that will have you thinking and writing creatively. Through writing exercises, group discussion, suggested readings and critiques of participants' work, you'll learn to express everyday thoughts and feelings using unique and interesting written works.

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Tue., Sept. 22 – Nov. 10 (8 classes), 7 – 9:30 p.m.
\$199. Facilitator: Ed Kavanagh.

Creative Writing, Level 2

Creative Writing, Level 1, recommended.

Develop a style of writing that is uniquely yours. Analyze your work to find ways to make your writing more creative. Through exercises and workshopping, you'll learn to rely on yourself, as opposed to outside sources, to write creative poetry, fiction and more.

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Thu., Sept. 24 – Nov. 12 (8 classes), 7 – 9:30 p.m.
\$199. Facilitator: Ed Kavanagh.

Writing Children's Literature

This course may be used by members of the Association of Early Childhood Educators of NL to satisfy continuing education requirements.

An in-depth look at the craft of writing inviting children's literature. You are encouraged to bring your own stories to class for workshopping. The class will focus on general children's stories, picture books and young adult novels. There will be a strong emphasis on technique. Editing and the submission of completed work will also be covered. Both fiction and non-fiction work is welcomed.

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Wed., Sept. 23 – Nov. 18 (8 classes/no class Nov. 11),
7 – 9:30p.m. \$199. Facilitator: Ed Kavanagh.

Creative Poetry **New!**

If you have a love for poetry, then this is the class for you. Whether you're a beginning poetry reader, a writer or someone looking to improve your poetry writing skills, this interactive class will allow you to love the art of poetry even more. This course will allow you to expand your knowledge of reading, interpreting, and writing a variety of poetical forms.

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Wed., Sept. 30 – Nov 25 (8 classes/ no class Nov. 11),
7 – 9:30 p.m. \$199. Facilitator: Lee Butt.

A Story for Aspiring Writers

Lifelong Learning's creative writing classes played an important role in J.A. Ricketts' development as a writer. Ricketts is the best-selling author of *The Badger Riot* (Flanker Press). In the earliest stages of her writing career, she took a Lifelong Learning creative writing class with Gordon Rodgers. In fact, the class was a gift to her from her daughter. "My whole family knew it was my dream to write," Ricketts said. During that class, she wrote a short story about the Badger riot which would go on to serve as the genesis for her best seller. "He (Rodgers) told me, 'you have a book there.'," Ricketts explained. In a follow-up class she did with him in the winter of 2006, he once again encouraged her to write the book. "You settle down and do that book," he told her. "What a wonderful person he was," Ricketts enthused. "I'll always credit Gordon and Lifelong Learners for bringing (the book) to the forefront."

Join Judy Mon., Sept. 21, for a discussion of her book. See NL Book Club for details.

**Making Comics:
Creative Graphic Novels **New!****

Comics aren't just for kids! In recent years, comic books have once again captured public imagination thanks to movies based on characters such as Spider-Man and X-Men, and Batman. In this course you will learn the basic construction of graphic novels, including: panel layout, use of speech balloons, narrative boxes, onomatopoeia, and narrative elements such as story-arcs for larger comics or shorter "one-shot" and even one page comics. Through a variety of creative writing exercises and group discussion, students will share their ideas and work in an effort to expand their knowledge of the graphic novel form through creation of their own comic books.

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Mon., Sept. 28 – Nov 23 (8 classes/no class Oct. 12),
7 – 9:30 p.m. \$199. Facilitator: Lee Butt.



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Our classes often fill quickly. Avoid disappointment. Register early.

