



Partnership Enables Teachers to Attend Prestigious Writers' Conference

Event Set for Jan. 18-21, 2013 at
Stockton Seaview Resort and Golf Club

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Galloway Township, NJ – The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey and Murphy Writing Seminars are partnering to host the 20th Annual Winter Poetry & Prose Getaway, a three-day conference where participants can hone their writing skills. The Winter Getaway will be held at Stockton Seaview Hotel in Galloway, NJ over the Martin Luther King holiday weekend, January 18-21, 2013.

Southern New Jersey teachers whose schools are part of Stockton's Educational Technology Training Center (ETTC) may attend the Winter Getaway using their school's ETTC credits. In addition to engaging with the Common Core Standards, teachers will earn 18 hours of professional development credit.

Celebrating its 20th Anniversary, the Winter Getaway has become one of the oldest and largest writers' conferences in the winter season. Among the prestigious faculty are Stockton's Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Creative Writing, Stephen Dunn, winner of the Pulitzer Prize in Poetry and nationally known poet, Dorianne Laux. Eligible teachers will be fortunate to join the ranks of the 200 writers who come from across the country to attend.

The Winter Getaway offers workshops in poetry, fiction, nonfiction, song writing, and memoir where participants will read, write, revise, and share their work. New this year is a Free Writing Intensive and a Creative Writing Sampler where both the new and the experienced can try writing in a variety of genres. Classes are kept small with most having ten or fewer participants.

“Teachers who write become better teachers of writing,” said conference director Peter Murphy who taught writing at Atlantic City High School for 29 years. “The Winter Getaway provides supportive sessions, insightful feedback, and an encouraging community.”

“It was my first writing workshop and I had only written one piece, a short story, prior to coming,” said Julienne Pape who attended last year. “I like the atmosphere which engendered positive feedback and I am now inspired to write more.”

Non educators may also register. For more information visit www.wintergetaway.com/ettc.

For more information and high resolution photos, of last year’s event, please email info@wintergetaway.com.

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