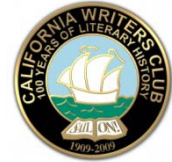




# WRITERS OF KERN

MEETING AGENDA - October 17, 2015



"Some critics will write 'Maya Angelou is a natural writer' – which is right after being a natural heart surgeon" – Maya Angelou

10:00 am: Welcome (Joan Raymond, President)  
Introduce Guests and Visitors  
Submissions, Rejections, and Success Stories

Announcements:

- **NaNoWriMo** – Dan McGuire
- **Critique Groups** – Clarissa Kae
- **SoCalWritersShowcase** – Dennis VanderWerff
- **Fall Writing Contest**

Volunteer Opportunities:

- **Hospitality Team** – Meet/Greet guests and members before meetings
- **Finance Team** – Help at back table during sign in
- **Membership Team** – Help at meetings
- **Branch Treasurer** – Attends board meetings and collects monies at monthly WOK meetings. Requires about one hour per month outside the board and WOK meetings for banking and bookkeeping duties.

Upcoming:

- **Next Meeting: November 21, 2015 – Nancy Ellen Dodd**
- **Winter Dinner: December 12, 2015.** Venue: Hodels. Time: 6:00 – 9:00 pm. Annual event for members and their guests.
- **Spring Conference: March 12, 2016.** Venue: Hodels. Time: 8 am-4 pm. Speakers include teacher/anthologist, Victoria Zackheim; novelist, Anne Perry, and Poet/CSUB professor, Dr. Matthew Woodman. *Early-bird registration details coming soon.*

10:45 a.m. Break  
Opportunity Drawing

11:00 a.m. Program: Heather Lazare: Lazare, a former editor at both Random House and Simon & Schuster, will speak about how an editor acquires a book at one of the “Big Five” publishing houses. Beginning with the agent’s pitch and ending with the editor buying the book, you’ll learn the importance of the editorial meeting, comparison titles, the marketplace, and much more that goes into the decision to acquire your book.

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<b>Writers of Kern Critique Groups</b>				
<b>Genre</b>	<b>Group Leader</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Openings</b>
Children's Writing	Rachel Andrews	Monday	6:00 pm	
Fiction "Fictiquers"	Dan McGuire	1 <sup>st</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays	6:00 pm	No
Multi-Genre "Writing Wizards"	Jenny Estes	1 <sup>st</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays	6:00 pm	Yes
Multi-Genre	Jeff Hill	2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Mondays	7:00 pm	No
Multi-Genre "Classic Critique"	Terry Redman	2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays	1:00 pm	No
Multi-Genre "Advanced"	Clarissa Kae	Alternating Thursdays	10:00 am	Limited/ Must apply
Multi-Genre	Joan Raymond	2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays	6:00 pm	No
Multi-Genre	Anke Hodenpijl	2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Thursdays	2 - 4 pm	No
Multi-Genre "Clarion Group"		1 <sup>st</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturdays	12:30pm	Yes
Multi-Genre	Susie Rainbolt	Tues/Thur.	6:00 pm	No

*New Groups Forming Now! Contact [critiques@writersofkern.com](mailto:critiques@writersofkern.com) for more info.*