

### Fiction Writing: Scene by Scene

You've got the words, a great imagination, fascinating characters, and you're ready to put them together to make a compelling story. This fiction workshop starts with the building blocks of narrative: creating vivid scenes that keep a reader hooked. This two-session workshop is open to all levels and all ages. (If you're writing nonfiction narrative, you're welcome to join us). Sign up for one or both sessions. No experience necessary. 6:30-8:30 pm. (see At a Glance schedule for dates).

### Teachers Teaching Writing: A Pot-Luck

Open to educators (K to College), this workshop provides the opportunity to exchange ideas about teaching writing. Lorri Neilsen Glenn, W-in-R and a Professor at Nova Scotia's Mount Saint Vincent University will facilitate an open session on challenges and successes in teaching writing in today's schools. From theory to practice, from scheduling to publishing, we'll discuss best practices and innovative approaches. Bring your ideas and questions, a snack and a notebook. Location TBA.

#### Questions?

If you have questions about these workshops (no question is too small), email Lorri at [writnglorri@yahoo.com](mailto:writnglorri@yahoo.com) or join the Writer in Residence TPLR 2016 Facebook page or contact the library.

### At a Glance Schedule

**May 4:** Poetry Reading and Launch (with special guest Garry Thomas Morse)

**May 10, 17, 24, and June 10:** True Stories from a Long Life (afternoon sessions)

**May 10, 17, 31 and June 7:** Writing Your Life

**May 11, 18, 25:** Spoken Word for Youth

**May 5, 12, 19, and June 9:** Poetry for Beginners

**June 1 and 8:** Fiction Writing—Scene by Scene

**May 31 and second date TBA:** Teachers Teaching Writing: A Pot Luck for Educators

#### Other opportunities:

Personal Coaching, Pop-Up workshops, and Literacy Coaching. **Stay tuned!**

**Call 204.623.2023 to sign up** or for more details (all events in the Library Annex, except Teachers Pot Luck).

### About Lorri Neilsen Glenn

Lorri Neilsen Glenn grew up in Western Canada and now lives in Halifax, Nova Scotia. She is the author and editor of thirteen collections of nonfiction and poetry. Her essay on indigenous ancestry appears in *In This Together: Fifteen True Stories of Truth and Reconciliation*, out this month.

The former Poet Laureate of Halifax, Lorri has won several awards for her writing as well as an award for innovative teaching.

Lorri has served as a mentor and writer in residence across Canada and internationally. She's worked with writers of all ages and stages, including several memoir and life writing groups, poetry collectives, and youth groups.

**All workshops are free but SIGN UP is required. Sessions are not linked so sign up for one or more by calling or visiting The Pas Regional Library at 204.623.2023.**

**Stay tuned for information about other events!**

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### WORKSHOP DETAILS

#### True Stories from a Long Life

Your story is your legacy. You may have survived the war, the loss of your child, or perhaps you've just retired from a job you loved. Or your children want to know your family's history and you don't know where to begin. We'll dig into the past, talk about how good stories are told, and explore a number of ways to write them. Not last century's English class – this workshop is relaxed, interactive, and low key. A variation of the evening Writing Your Life sessions, this Tuesday afternoon workshop is especially tailored to older adults. 3-5 pm (see At a Glance schedule for dates)

#### Writing Your Life

Do you have a story that wants out? Maybe it's about your beloved grandmother, your wandering brother, the car you rolled, your loopy aunt, your life with autism, your first date.

Each of us is a wealth of stories, waiting to be told. Join me and we'll turn those stories into poetry, fiction, songs, or essays – any form you want to explore. No pressure, no grading, no judgment. All welcome, all ages – from beginners to experienced writers. 6:30-8:30 pm. (see At a Glance schedule for dates)

## TPRL 2016 Writer In Residence: Lorri Neilsen Glenn Workshops & Events



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### Spoken Word for Youth

Do you love to write lyrics? Are you passionate about making a difference? In this interactive workshop, we'll discover the poet you are, and find the power of spoken word to inspire social and personal change. Sound poetry, spoken word (solo or group), beats, and more. Bring your friends, learn to perform, or simply support others. All welcome. No experience necessary. 6:30-8:30 pm. (see At a Glance schedule for dates)

### Poetry for Beginners of All Ages

Ease your way into poetry and discover poems at your fingertips. In this four-session workshop, we'll explore inventive ways to write poetry from everyday experience. We'll read and respond to each others' drafts, look at exciting contemporary work, and experiment with several kinds of poetry. You'll come away from the sessions with fresh ideas, a portfolio of your own poems, and a small group publication. No experience necessary – all welcome, from youth to adult. 6:30-8:30 pm. (see At a Glance schedule for dates)



*Read, Write, Repeat!*