

Winnipegosis Public Library presents
‘ZOOM Writers & Artists-In-Residence’

Registration is **FREE** and **REQUIRED** to attend the series of writer workshops online every **Wednesday at 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** from **January 6 – February 3, 2021.**

There will be no chat or display of participants due to the inclusion of young adults with adult registrants. The zoom sessions will be live but only to people who register so it won't be open to the public once registration is complete.

Mentorship is available for Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Youth ages 14 – 18 with Deborah and to interested Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers with writing projects until June 2021.

To register Email Deborah L. Delaronde-Falk at deborahdelarondefalk@gmail.com

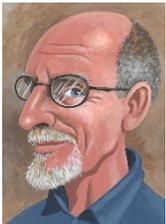


Deborah L. Delaronde-Falk will be presenting ‘Writing Picture Storybooks’ on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Deborah is a Métis author who grew up in the community of Duck Bay. She honors her Métis heritage by writing and publishing under her maiden name. Deborah’s eleven published stories (with the exception of Friendship Bay and The Rabbit’s Race) are historical in setting and focus around Métis protagonists, with story situations that she hopes will convey the way of life of the Métis in both a historical

and contemporary context. *Louis Riel Day: The Fur Trade Project* is Deborah’s twelfth book to be released February 9, 2021.

<http://www.metisauthordeborahdelaronde.ca>



Sheldon Dawson will be presenting ‘Illustrating a Picture Storybook’ on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Sheldon Dawson has illustrated more than 50 children’s books in various genres, including fantasy, historical and educational. He has been nominated three times for the Best Illustrated Book of the Year Award in Manitoba and four of his books have been nominated for the McNally Robinson Book for Young People Award.

In 2019 he published *Dinosaur Rodeo* (Peanut Butter Press), his first book as both author and illustrator. Many of Sheldon’s illustration projects deal with Indigenous history and culture. Sheldon is also co-creator (with author Jean La Prairie) of the Illustrated Metis History Series published by the Louis Riel Institute in order to teach school age children about Métis history. Through his work for Pemmican Publications, Sheldon has been involved in the effort to preserve the Michif language by illustrating a series of picture books for children that celebrates the Métis language and heritage.

<http://www.sheldondawson.com>



Nathan Adler will be presenting ‘Writing Short Stories’ on January 20, 2021 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Nathan Adler is the author of *Wrist* and *Ghost Lake* (Kegeponce Press), and co-editor of *Bawaajigan ~ Stories of Power* (Exile Editions), he has an MFA in Creative Writing from UBC, is a first-place winner of the Aboriginal Writing Challenge, and a recipient of a Hnatyshyn Reveal award for Literature. He is

Jewish and Anishinaabe, and a member of Lac des Mille Lacs First Nation.



Neal Shannacappo will be presenting ‘Writing and Illustrating a Graphic Novel’ on January 27, 2021 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

"Neal Shannacappo is a Nakawe (Saulteaux) graphic novelist from Ditibineya-Ziibiing in Manitoba, Migizi doodem is currently living and working in the city of Ottawa on unceded Algonquin territory. Throughout his work Neal celebrates the vibrant artistic community and culture of Indigenous people, paying homage to the past, and the spiritual while moving into the future. However, he rejects the traditional stereotypes Indigenous artists are pigeon-holed into: “We don’t all live on reserves, and creatively we are more than 'traditional art' and I want to show the richness of my people through my creative works.” Neal hopes to inspire Indigenous children and youth to see their own creative dreams through to fruition. He's a stay-at-home father and he also works at home as a part-time Indigenous Resource Consultant. You can find his stories in the Indigenous anthologies called Sovereign Traces vol. 1 - Not (Just) (An)other and Vol. 2 - Relational Constellation both found in bookstores. His book Mashkawide'e (Has a strong heart) was published by Senator Kim Pate and copies can be found by contacting her office. You can find copies of If I Go Missing written by Brianna Jonnie and illustrated by Neal in stores. The Krillian Key is his first graphic novel of his own creation and can be found through Kegedonce.com, Chapters/Indigo, All Lit Up, and in bookstores near you."



Jacqueline Guest will be presenting ‘Writing a Novel’ on February 3, 2021 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Jacqueline Guest is an award-winning Metis author with twenty professionally published novels including The Comic Book War, Belle of Batoche and Death by Dinosaur. She has presented across Canada, the United States, Tanzania and Ghana. Her curriculum-based school presentations have even reluctant students reading – and that’s a fact! Jacqueline is the proud recipient of the *Indspire Award for the Arts*. In 2017, Jacqueline was awarded the *Order of Canada* for her work in the literary arts. <http://www.jacquelineguest.com>



Deborah L. Delaronde – ‘The Business of Writing and the Home-Based Business’ on February 10, 2021 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

So, you’ve written a story. Now what? Deborah will take you through the process of publishing your story; manuscript format and terminology, writing a cover letter, curriculum vitae, finding the right publisher, the publishers contract, writers grants, writers income sources, book awards, and professional writer organizations & memberships. <http://www.metisauthordeborahdelaronde.ca>

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