

Red Wheelbarrow Writers

<https://www.redwheelbarrowwriters.com/>

MONTHLY HAPPY HOUR:

First Saturday of each month at 4 p.m.

Happy Hour Location

We will meet in the Community Room at the Bellwether Apartments, 20 Bellwether Way (off Roeder Avenue).

Bring your own beverage and/or refreshments. Access: come around the west end of the building to the waterfront side. Glass doors open directly to the meeting space. Park in any available space or on Bellwether Way.

At Red Wheelbarrow Writers, we believe that so much depends upon community. We are a loose affiliation of working writers who produce independently, and who join together to support, encourage, and sustain one another.

Red Wheelbarrow Writers is not a club or non-profit. We have no dues or formal order of responsibility. When we need money, we pass the hat. When we have an important endeavor, we show up. Several times a year we have a Bored Meeting (yes, that's the correct word) that is not at all boring. Anyone can attend with a thought, an idea, a project.

We welcome all writers to our monthly Happy Hour to drink wine, share excerpts of works-in-progress, exchange news and views. We often meet for Write-Outs, a day spent writing together in unique settings.

Red Wheelbarrow Writers participates in the annual April National Poetry Month with a dedicated Facebook page. Each November, National Novel Writing Month, we collectively write a novel, and in December we come together for a reading of this novel where, as they say, hilarity ensues. For details on all our activities, see Events.

Partnering with Village Books and Whatcom Community College, Red Wheelbarrow Writers created Washington Memoir Month. Annually, for the whole month of September, memoir writers gather for classes, readings, weekly Write-Outs and mutual encouragement. Since 2016, we have combined our talents to write, edit, and publish an anthology every other year. See Publications for more information.

Red Wheelbarrow Writers was founded in 2010 by Cami Ostman, Laura Kalpakian, and Susan Tive. We have evolved to include hundreds of writers on our mailing list and on our Facebook page. We are located in Bellingham, Washington. We act locally and think globally. In fostering connection among writers, we create community. We invite you to join us.

Writers Cooperative of the Pacific Northwest

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/601958716559052/>

A cooperative of writers, screen writers, poets and dreamers working together to encourage ideas, trade skills and be on the front line of the changes in publishing. Full membership if you are published, \$35, Associate \$15, 2 working together \$50.

Whatcom Writers and Publishers

A supper club connecting Whatcom writers and industry speakers

<https://whatcomwritersandpublishers.org/>

<https://www.whatcomwritersandpublishers.org/contacts>

We meet every last Wednesday from September to June in scenic Bellingham, WA. Supper starts at 5:30, and the speaker starts at 6:30-7.

Dues are 25 dollars a year or 40 for two years. We use the dues to pay for our speakers to come from around the region, and for an occasional table at local writer events. Our dues year runs from September to June, like our meetings, but will roll over if you pay late in the cycle. If you want to try us out first, feel free. Speakers in the past have included authors Cami Ostman and Robert Dugoni, and agent Donald Maass, covering topics such as social media, self-publishing, memoirs, mixed media, poetry, fiction, and nonfiction. It is our goal to offer something for everyone, no matter your place in the writing journey-- just starting or long-published. Old school or new. If you have an idea for a speaker or topic, let us know, but if it has been covered recently it might not be picked up.

Pacific Northwest Writers Association

<https://www.pnwa.org/>

The Pacific Northwest Writers Association helps writers connect with industry experts and develop their writing talent through education, contests, and an annual conference. Membership is only \$65 / year.

Here are some benefits included with your PNWA membership:

10 member meetings every year; attend in person or online from the comfort of your home.

FREE advertising/promotion through our email communications.

Resource filled website and our monthly e-newsletter.

Receive advance notice of special events, workshops and seminars.

Member's published books are available at the Writers' Cottage.

Member's published books can be announced in monthly newsletters and advertised on PNWA's website for one year.

Education

Monthly workshops, in person, or available online.

Author Magazine.

Writing Tips newsletter.

Inspiration

Your membership fee helps support PNWA's Young Author's Day: A FREE conference for ages 8 – 16.

Member Discounts

Your membership nets you discounts on some of our biggest events of the year:

PNWA Fall Writers' Conference

PNWA Literary Contest

PNWA Nancy Pearl Book Award