

# Mountain Writers Series



## The Short Story: What is at Stake for Whom?

Tim Schell

6:00 – 9:00 PM Mondays

March 2 – April 13, 2020

Multnomah Friends Meeting House  
4312 S.E. Stark Street, Portland, OR

In this six-week workshop, Tim Schell will lead the group with several prompts that will take the writer from the seed of a story—an idea, an experience, and/or someone else's experience—to a story's fruition as we work to enhance the story's arc. Along the journey, students will work on drafts of their stories with individual workshops focusing on the various elements of fiction—plot, character, setting, point of view, dialogue, voice, style and tone—as they are addressed in the student work. This will be a collaborative workshop wherein students will read their peers' work before coming to the workshop prepared to discuss the work. Class exercises will be focused on student stories. **Warning:** *Character is greater than Plot.*

- **Meets:** 6:00 – 9:00 PM, Mondays, March 2 – April 13, 2020
- **Cost:** \$300 (Six three-hour sessions)
- **Enrollment:** Minimum 4, Maximum 12.
- **Location:** Multnomah Friends Meeting House, 4312 S.E. Stark Street, Portland

Tim Schell's novel *Road to the Sea* was published by Serving House Books in October 2016. He is the winner of the 2004 Mammoth Book Award for Prose for his novel *The Drums of Africa* which was published in the fall of 2007. In 2010, his novel *The Memoir of Jake Weedson* was The Finalist in the AWP novel competition, and in 2011 it was published by Serving House Books. He is the co-author of *Mooring Against the Tide: Writing Fiction and Poetry* (Prentice Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2006) and the co-editor of the anthology *A Writer's Country* (Prentice Hall, 2001). With Jeff Knorr, he co-founded the *Clackamas Literary Review*, and prior to that served as Fiction Editor at *Hayden's Ferry Review*. In 2018, he retired as the Chair of the Writing, Literature and Foreign Language Department at Columbia Gorge Community College in Hood River, Oregon. He is currently at work on a new novel.



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