

Mountain Writers Series



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A Poetry Writing Workshop
with Cindy Stewart-Rinier

Tuesdays, January 15 – March 5, 2013

7:00 – 9:00 PM

Multnomah Friends Meetinghouse
4312 SE Stark Street, Portland OR

Always Beginning. Poets, if you're finding it hard to find inspiration to write, or miss the company of fellow poets, join us Tuesday evenings for two hours dedicated to discussing poetry and sharing work. Before each session, a model poem and prompt will be offered. Participants will read and, as often as possible, listen to audio of poems that provide the basis for discussing particular elements of craft. Close reading will be the primary tool for learning various aspects of craft, so its practice will be emphasized in all aspects of the workshop, from discussion of suggested poems to response to one another's work. Within this supportive setting, students can expect to be respectfully challenged to grow as readers and consequently, as writers. This workshop is for the beginning poet as well as for the more experienced writer who knows the value of revisiting the fundamentals. All levels are welcome. Cost is \$15 per session – or \$100 for those who sign up for the full eight weeks.

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- Location: [Multnomah Friends Meeting House \(map\)](#), 4312 SE Stark, Portland

Pay online through Paypal at www.mountainwriters.org or bring a check payable Mountain Writers Series to the workshop session. Participants who wish to attend on a per-session basis, please bring 8 copies of your poem to the workshop or email your poem to cksr@teleport.com by 5 p.m. the Sunday before the workshop meets, indicating "Tuesday workshop" in the subject line of your email and including your full name and email address on the poem itself. [Per-session participants should be prepared to pay at the start of each session with a check or cash.]

Cindy Stewart-Rinier's poems have appeared in *Calyx*, *The Smoking Poet*, *Crab Creek Review* and *Ascent*, among others. She received her MFA in Creative Writing from Pacific Lutheran University in 2012. Her work has been nominated for a Pushcart Prize, selected for the Crab Creek Review 2011 Editor's Prize, and awarded first place in the Portland Pen Women Poetry Contest. She has taught creative writing at all levels, from elementary and middle school to adult students. A board member of the Mountain Writers Series, she lives and works in Portland, Oregon.



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