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Local Genre & Critique Groups

NEW Anchorage Critique Group focusing on Sci-Fi/Speculative Fiction
Thursday evenings in midtown. Contact Lizzie Newell for info: Lizzie-N@gci.net

Anchorage Critique Group
Meets every Saturday, 10am at Title Wave Books. Bring 10 copies of 10 pages of your manuscript to distribute to other attendees for critique.

Metlakatla Writers
A writing group in Southeast open to writers of all levels and genres. Join us for a weekly writing exercise to strengthen your craft and for monthly writing contests. Wednesdays, 6-7:30pm at the Centennial Library in Metlakatla. For more information, contact Ali at amccart@indigoediting.com.

Eagle River Writers Group
For writers with unfocused/unspecified genres who haven't yet "found their niche." Meets Sundays, 10-11:30am in Eagle River. Please contact Ariana at ariana.a.roscoe@gmail.com

Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators
Monthly Critique Groups and Craft Talks. For more info, contact Stefanie Tatalias at statalias@me.com or Cheryl Lovegreen at lynnlovegreen@gmail.com

49 Writers / 49writingcenter.org
Writers' group for those concentrating on the craft of writing. Craft talks, writers' salons, and workshops offered monthly. For more information, visit www.49writingcenter.org

AK Romance Writers (AKRW)
Include a wide variety of writers within the romance genre. You must first be a member of RWA National: www.rwa.org. Meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6pm at Title Wave Books in Anchorage.

Contests & Submissions

Spark Creative Anthology:
Contest 7: "Monsters and Marvels." Writing Competition for both Poetry and Prose. Opens September 15, Deadline October 1. For more information, visit: www.SparkAnthology.org

Sledgehammer Writing Contest: Vote for Winners!
Vote now for your favorite authors in the 2014 Sledgehammer Writing Contest, sponsored by Indigo Editing. To read the submissions, go to: sledgehammercontest.com



Next Wednesday: "Adapting Your Novel into a Screenplay" with Author Don Rearden

Wednesday, August 20, 7:00pm – 8:30pm
Loussac Library Innovation Lab

Don Rearden wrote the award winning novel *The Raven's Gift*, a *Washington Post* Notable Fiction selection for 2013, and is an Associate Professor at UAA and Board President of the 49 Writers. He has written several acclaimed films, such as *Clawed: the Legend of Sasquatch*, and the medical drama *Skid Marks*.

Optional Friday Workshops and Illustrator Portfolio Critiques still available for the Alaska Writers Guild & SCBWI Conference

The 2014 AWG & SCBWI Annual Conference will be held

Saturday, September 13 & Sunday, September 14
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Anchorage, Alaska

- **Optional Friday Intensive (only one space left!):** Tricia Lawrence, Agent, Erin Murphy Literary Agency. "Digging Deep into Voice" for Picture Book, Middle Grade, and Young Adult Authors.
- **Optional Friday Intensive:** Tricia Lawrence, Agent, Erin Murphy Literary Agency. Illustrator's Intensive: "How to Get Your Work Out There," A nuts-and-bolts intro for artists who are great at drawing and want to get good at selling, too. (Occurs from 9am-12pm)
- **Optional Friday Intensive:** Lee Goodman, Author. "Publishing from Start to Finish." After landing an agent at the 2010 Writers' Guild Conference, Lee Goodman went on to publish his first novel, "Indefensible" with an imprint at Simon & Schuster.
- **Juried Illustrator Portfolio Display:** For members of AWG or SCBWI. Have your work critiqued by industry professionals, including Agent Tricia Lawrence of Erin Murphy Literary. Only \$20 per portfolio entry.

Register today at www.AlaskaWritersGuild.com

Local Success Stories! Congratulations To:

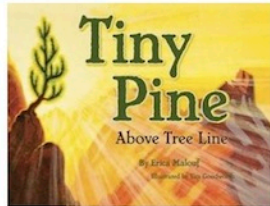
Jen Cudmore has been requested by her publisher to write six short stories for two multi-author series, one a contemporary romance and the other a western. Two stories have already been released, with two more coming out this weekend. The final stories will be released in a couple months.

Stefanie Tatalias, First-Place Winner of the Pacific Northwest Writers Annual Writing Contest's Picture Book Category for her picture book manuscript, *Whatever You Do, Don't Think About a Dragon*.

Stefanie Tatalias, Bobbi Porter, and Brooke Hartman at the PNWA Awards Banquet



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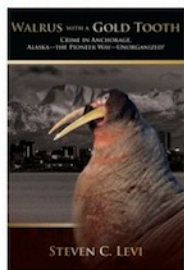


Tiny Pine Above Tree Line by Erica Malouf
High above tree line, Tiny Pine frets that he is not as big and strong as those living in the valley below. With the aid of Little Wren, Tiny Pine sees himself from a new perspective and discovers his true strength and self-worth.

Walrus with a Gold Tooth by Steven C. Levi

Walrus With A Gold Tooth is a fictionalized version of crime in Anchorage over these two decades and a step-by-step history of how the local squeezed out the mob before it ever made it in.

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