
Welcome to CWC Mt. Diablo Branch!

Join us on Saturday, October 8 for our Breakfast and Workshop

Dating Your Character with Marilyn R. Atlas

Creating Character

- Creating Character
- What makes a character 3-dimensional
- Deepening your character's arc
- Working out of a character's private, inner conflict—Want vs. Need
- Creating Powerful Subtext
- Creating a layered character in a short amount of time
- Ensuring that you have meaningful conflict stemming from diverse POVs
- Throwing your character into theoretical scenarios... to see what makes her tick
- Getting into your character's head



An award-winning producer and personal manager of actors and writers, Marilyn R. Atlas is equally at home in the worlds of film, television, live theater and professional writing.

As a producer, Marilyn produced the award-winning *Real Women Have Curves* for HBO, *The Choking Game* for Lifetime based on a Y.A. book, the film *Fragrant Desire* with Sam Waterston, and various award-winning plays. Her co-authored book *Dating Your Character* (Stairway Press) was released August 30, 2016.

Marilyn has spoken at the San Francisco Writers Conference, the Santa Fe Screenwriters Conference and Richard Krevolin's USC Screenwriting Retreat. Additionally, she was a guest lecturer in the Writing Program at USC, where she also teaches a class every year on creating three-dimensional, non-stereotypical characters

The "Dating Your Character" approach is rooted in the need to drill down from generalities into visually imagined, metaphor-embedded specifics. It's a fertile way to begin the process of characterization.

Registration Details:

[You can register online \(see below for cost\).](#)

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- **Sign-in:** starts at 8:30 a.m.

- **Breakfast** 9to 9:30 a.m.
- **Workshop:** 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Zio Fraedo’s Restaurant, 611 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill, CA
- **Cost:** cash and check on site: Members \$40/Guests \$50; PayPal (click “buy now”) pay \$42/\$52.
NOTE: Due to Internet access problems, credit card transactions are currently not possible at the door.
- **To attend:** contact Robin Gigoux at s CWCrobin.gigoux@yahoo (dot) com, phone 925-933-9670, or click “buy now” for reservations (don’t forget to add \$2 for the transaction fee). **Reservation deadline:** Wed., October 5, 2016 at noon.*

*In accordance with our contractual agreement with Zio Fraedo’s Restaurant, the club is charged for every reservation confirmed on the day before the meeting. *If you are not able to attend this meeting and do not cancel your reservation prior to noon on the Friday before the meeting, you will be asked to remit the relevant fee as a no-show payment for the event.*

Upcoming Programs:

2016:

October 8: Marilyn Atlas, **Dating Your Character**

Nov 12: Joan Morris, **TBA**

Dec. 10: TBA, **Three of Our Own, Resources for Writers**

2017:

Feb. 11: Meghan Ward, **Writer Consortiums/Co-ops**

Mar. 11: Stuart Horowitz, **Finish Your Book in Three Drafts**