
Next Program and Events Calendar

Join us on Saturday, March 12 for our workshop and luncheon:

The Fatal Flaws of Fiction Writing

You can register online (see “registration details” below for cost) [Buy Now](#)



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What You Will Learn

- Overwriting: Repetition. Redundancy. Useless words.
- Weak Construction: Passive voice, use of ‘ing’ verbs, dangling modifiers.
- POV Violations: Nailing proper use of POV (point of view) is a challenge.
- Telling instead of Showing: We’re told, “Show, don’t tell.” It’s all about balance.
- Too Much Backstory: How to bring out bits of history organically.
- Description Deficiencies and Excesses: How much should be included and what kind.

C.S. Lakin is the author of twenty-two fiction and nonfiction books and award-winning blogger at Live Write Thrive. She works full-time as a writing coach and book copy editor and is passionate about helping writers see success and joy in their writing journey. The newest addition to her Writer’s Toolbox series is an in-depth resource that all fiction writers need: *5 Editors Tackle the 12 Fatal Flaws of Fiction Writing*. Her workshop will be drawing from this book’s key points and featuring Before and After passages that will help writers learn to spot and fix the fatal flaws in their own writing. This is a hands-on workshop, so be ready to jump in and tackle flawed passages as they’re presented.

Registration Details

Make life easy. Register *before* you arrive: [Buy Now](#)

- Sign-in: 8:30 a.m.-9 a.m.
- **Workshop** from 9 a.m. – 12 noon
- Buffet Lunch: 12:00 p.m. – 12:45 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 ragig (at) aol (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., March 9, 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.*

Events Calendar for 2016

Jan. 9: Tamara Monosoff, **Five Simple Strategies to Boost Your Income Now!**

Feb. 13: Roy Mash, **Words to Woe By**

Mar. 12: C. S. Lakin, **The Twelve Fatal Flaws of Writing**

Apr. 9: Tamim Ansary, **Why Do We Write?**

May 14: Heather Mackey, **Turning Ideas into Stories**

June 11: LeeAnne Krusemark, **Composing Irresistible Query Letters and Elevator Pitches**

Sept. 10: Anita Amirrezvani, **TBA**

October 8: Marilyn Atlas, **TBA**

Nov 12: **TBA**

Dec. 10: **TBA, Three of Our Own**



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