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Veronica Chater "Writing Your Own Story" January 9, 2010



All writers feel called to tell their own life story. Some do it in book-length memoirs; others in shorter nonfiction formats—personal essays, ongoing blog entries, journaling. Many short story writers and novelists admit to probing the meaning of their lives through their fiction. This month, memoirist Veronica Chater will share tips on how to write our personal stories. In her recently published *Waiting for the Apocalypse: A Memoir of Faith and Family* (W.W. Norton & Co.), she tells the story of her early life as one of eleven children. She calls it "the story that was in the shadowy background of every essay, short story, and radio piece I've ever done—the one that