



Giving a Hoot

SEPTEMBER 20, 2011 CONFERENCE: OCT 27 THRU 30

37 Days Until Doorway to Dreams!

OMG! Can you believe all of the great workshops being offered at next month's conference! Wow! Your registration fees entitle you to attend any and all of them. Here is a complete listing of our **FREE** workshops. (Editor's note: *Hey! If it's free, it's for me!*)

Thursday: 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. **DREAM DELIGHT: A Write it Out® Expressive Writing Workshop** Tap into your feelings, memories and experiences. A motivational and expressive writing workshop with **Ronni Miller** will begin your creative process. Experience, feel, write, celebrate and enjoy!

Friday: 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. **GOLDEN ARTIST COLORS DEMONSTRATION** Artist **Kevin Tobin** creates magic with a lecture/demo on such topics as Glass Bead Gel, Iridescent, Digital Grounds, Open Acrylics, Quasi Holographic Effects...the list is endless. Attendees will receive an information packet, free paint and gel samples. (Bring brushes, paper and paint and continue on ex-

perimenting from 10:30 -11:45 a.m. - if desired.)

10:30-11:30 a.m. **INSPIRED BY PAINTINGS TO WRITE POETRY** with **Marlowe Olson Arnold** Throughout the years, paintings have inspired poets to write. This workshop will study the connections between arts and poetry.

1:45 - 3:00 p.m. **CREATIVE DREAMS DEFERRED** **Mary Kay Stevens** will present a lively, interactive workshop designed to ignite or rekindle your creative dreams through self-analysis and cooperative learning exercises for making those dreams come true!

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. **FLOWER FANTASY*** Flowers are an inspiration to artists, writers and musicians. Join us for a discussion of flowers and the arts with a floral artist and gardener.

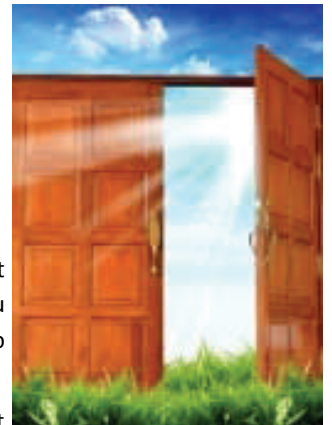
3:30 - 4:30 p.m. **(*Concurrent session)** **EMBOSSING DEMONSTRATION** **Jeanne Norman Chase** will enthrall

everyone with an embossing demonstration of "Jennifer" using a graphite and colored pencil. The work of art will be embossed by hand on 100% rag paper.

Saturday: 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. **SHAKING THE MUSE LOOSE: MY SERENDIPITOUS JOURNEY IN POETRY** with **Lorraine A. Vail** Writing is a powerful tool for reinvention and by moving through the creative process participants will not only learn about poetry, but through a writing exercise discover the poet within.

3:00 – 4:30 p.m. **OPENING THE DOOR TO ABSTRACT AND COLOR,** **Cheryl Lynn Looker** is presenting. All women attending will participate in applying color with paint in an abstract manner to a large canvas.

Don't miss this fun-filled conference, **Doorway to Dreams** ... when we will be celebrating CREATIVE WOMEN in sunny Florida.



Don't Forget Your Branch Reports

Calling all Branch Presidents ... please take a few minutes to put into writing a report on what your branch has been doing. These reports give your Executive Board an insight as to what you are looking for from your Florida State Association. You may submit your report in one of two ways: Write out your report and mail it to us, or email it (in the interest of going **GREEN**).

Once we have your reports, they will be uploaded to our website. Your branch programs might give other branches ideas on how better to serve their members. At every conference we allow time for these reports to be read aloud (3-minute time limit please), however your written report can be much lengthier. The reports we post on our website can contain as much detail as you need. (E-mail to hendiva2@cfl.rr.com or mail to Laura Vaughan at 956 Ginger Circle, Ormond Beach, FL 32176.) **We are shooting for 100% branch participation across Florida! We would love to hear from our Members at Large too!**

Take a Tour of Your Choice



WOO-HOO

I can hardly wait!
This conference will
be a HOOT!

*As women we do not
always express our
wishes verbally;
we creatively
communicate...using
imagination and
intuition, we inspire
and transform wishes
into amazing wonders.*



Valada Parker Flewellyn
Keynote Speaker
Friday, October 28th
Women, Words & Wishes

Did you forget to sign up for
one of these tours?
It's not too late.

The Ringling College of Art Tour
is **FREE**. The Van Wezel Tour
is \$5.00 payable that day.

Both tours are on Thursday,
October 27th from 3:00 - 5:30 p.m.

E-mail Sylvia Price at scprice@aol.com
and let her know your choice.



Many thanks to all our Pen Women who have contributed their time and talents to making this conference the very best ever. A special thanks to all of our awards chairs, workshop presenters, registrars and goody bag stuffers. A special thanks to Sylvia Price for a brilliantly negotiated contract with the Hyatt.

From FSA President Laura Vaughan

We're going to have a wonderful crowd in Sarasota. I can hardly wait to see old friends and am so anxious to meet many of you for the first time.

You'll be relieved to hear that I have rethought my costume for the Saturday night dinner. Caroline thinks it way too risqué (well, actually, it was just a *dream* costume). I hope you're giving some thought to coming in costume. Everyone had so much fun being clowns at the last conference, but Halloween gives you more leeway with your ideas.

Don't forget to bring three copies of your branch's bi-annual report (edited to be read in 3 minutes). Everyone is interested in hearing about your programs and events.

If you have members or patrons who have died in the past two years, please send me their names and a very brief message about them so they may be

included in our Sunday morning memorial service, which will be led by Sandy Fink. See you next month!

Laura Vaughan
President, FSA/NLAPW

From Conference Chair Sylvia Price

I could not have envisioned a more energetic group of Pen Women to work with who shared their ideas that contributed to the fruition of our biennial conference.

The variety of workshops, creative women's art, music and letters award luncheons and dinners and speakers will enhance your creativity while having fun. I hope you will attend as many of the FREE workshops as you can.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Sylvia Price
FSA/NLAPW Conference Chair

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE in Abbreviated Form

Thursday, October 27th

Registration: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Information about area activities for your guests will be available at the Registrar's desk.

1:00—2:30 p.m. *DREAM DELIGHT*: a Write it Out® Expressive Writing Workshop. A motivational and expressive writing workshop with Ronni Miller will begin your creative process. Experience, feel, write, celebrate and enjoy!

3:00—5:30 p.m. Take a creative tour of your choice: Tour of the Ringling College of Art and Design OR take a behind-the-scenes tour of the Van Wezel Performing Arts Center. The Van Wezel tour will cost \$5.00 per person, payable that day. Ringling tour is free.

6:30—8:00 p.m. MAGICAL DINNER BUFFET. Relax over dinner with fellow Pen Women from around the State.

8:00—9:00 p.m. THE MAGIC OF THE MANATEE PLAYERS – Enjoy a performance by the Manatee Players of selections from various musicals presented at the Manatee Performing Arts Center. What a wonderful way to end a magical, inspirational, creative day!

Friday, October 28th

Registration: 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 4 :00 p.m.

**All workshops are FREE
with your registration fee!**



7:00 - 8:45 a.m. Breakfast in the dining room (on your own—not included)

9:00 - 10:15 a.m. GOLDEN ARTIST COLORS DEMONSTRATION - Artist Kevin Tobin creates magic with a lecture/demo on such topics as Glass Bead Gel, Iridescent, Digital Grounds, Open Acrylics, and Quasi Holographics.

10:30-11:30 a.m. INSPIRED BY PAINTINGS TO WRITE POETRY with Marlowe Olson Arnold. Throughout the years, paintings have inspired poets to write. This workshop will study the connections between arts and poetry.

12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. LUNCHEON WITH KEYNOTE SPEAKER: *Women, Words and Wishes* - Valada Parker Flewellyn is an author, poet and curator of the exhibit, "A Pilot Lights the Way," currently on display at the Naval Aviation Museum in Pensacola, Florida.

1:45 - 3:00 p.m. CREATIVE DREAMS DEFERRED Mary Kaye Stevens will present a lively, interactive workshop.

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. FLOWER FANTASY* - Join us for a discussion of flowers and the arts with a floral artist and gardener.

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. (*Concurrent session) EMBOSSING DEMONSTRATION with Jeanne Norman Chase

7:00 - 9:30 p.m. CREATIVE WOMAN'S MUSIC AWARDS DINNER ... Come and enjoy a wonderful music presentation by our Music Members; the first ever Conference Composers' Concert.

Saturday, October 29th

7:00 - 9:00 a.m. Breakfast in the dining room (on your own)

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. SHAKING THE MUSE LOOSE: MY SERENDIPITOUS JOURNEY IN POETRY with Lorraine A. Vail

10:30 - 12:30 p.m. "DOOR WAY TO DREAMS" FSA COUNCIL MEETING - open to all Pen Women; Bring your voting credentials

1:00 - 2:30 p.m. CREATIVE WOMEN'S LETTERS AWARDS LUNCHEON

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. OPENING THE DOOR TO ABSTRACT AND COLOR Cheryl Lynn Looker is the presenter.

6:30 - 8:30 p.m. CREATIVE WOMEN'S ART AWARDS DINNER (If desired, come in Halloween costume)

8:30p.m. -10:00p.m. Art Exhibit Reception in the Ballroom: All entries in the Art competition will be on display. In addition to the general conference art awards, the **SW Florida Branch** will be presenting a \$200 creative art award in honor of Gail Jones.

Sunday, October 30th

9:30 a.m. HONORING CREATIVE WOMEN - BRUNCH - We'll say our final goodbyes to the Creative Pen Women we've lost these past two years, and we'll introduce our new state officers. These biennial awards will also be presented at the brunch: History, Newsletter, Year-book, Scholarship, Pen Woman of the Year and our Individual Achievement Award.

**Not Yet
Registered?**



**It's not
too late!**

Item	Amount	No.	Total \$
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION All workshops/seminars and materials, impromptu gatherings, and other serendipitous events. Note: Late registration (after August 20 th) is \$65.	\$ 65.00		\$-
THURSDAY (CHECK IF ATTENDING EITHER TOUR) RINGLING COLLEGE OF ART TOUR _____ VAN WEZEL TOUR (\$5.00) _____ MAGICAL DINNER BUFFET	\$ 31.00		\$-
FRIDAY LUNCHEON - KEY NOTE SPEAKER	\$ 32.00		\$-
FRIDAY CREATIVE WOMEN'S DINNER MUSIC AWARDS	\$ 39.50		\$-
SATURDAY CREATIVE WOMEN'S AWARDS LUNCHEON FOR LETTERS	\$ 32.00		\$-
SATURDAY CREATIVE WOMEN'S ART AWARDS DINNER & HONORING PRESIDENTS	\$ 39.50		\$-
SUNDAY BRUNCH FINAL GOODBYES & SPECIAL AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED	\$ 28.00		\$-
Please note any special dietary needs:		Total Amount Enclosed	\$-

Make checks payable to: **MAIL TO: Caroline McKeon, FSA Treasurer**
FSA-NLAPW **11404 Sun Creek Place * Temple Terrace, FL 33617**

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