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Flash Fiction: A Craft of Writing Workshop

Wordcrafters in Eugene Presents Free Writing Classes at the Library

The Springfield Public Library is hosting a series of free writing workshops for the public, presented by Wordcrafters in Eugene. Join us for a free flash fiction workshop presented by Daryll Lynne Evans of Wordcrafters on **Monday, July 25, 2016** from **5:30-7:30pm**. All are welcome to join this free writing workshop.

Sudden fiction, flash fiction, micro fiction, the short-short story... The very brief story is often defined by word count, a definition that is convenient for editors but no real help to writers. In this workshop, we will look at different ways of defining brief narrative, and we'll also learn and try out some methods for creating such stories out of thin air.

The class size is limited to 20 and will be held in the Library Meeting Room inside Springfield City Hall. To ensure your spot please sign-up at the library's reference desk or by calling 541-726-3766. Walk-in participants will be welcome as long as there are spaces available.

About Wordcrafters:

Wordcrafters provides writers and readers opportunities to strengthen their craft, deepen their connection with literature, and share their knowledge with each other and with future generations. Wordcrafters offers an annual writing conference, year-round writing classes and retreats, young writers camps and workshops, and Writers in the Schools.

What: Flash Fiction: A Craft of Writing Workshop, free

When: Monday, July 25, 2016, 5:30-7:30pm

Where: Library Meeting Room, Springfield Public Library, 225 5th Street, inside Springfield City Hall

Additional information: Contact Kristen Curé at (541) 726-2232 or kcure@springfield-or.gov

Exercise Your Mind: Get Tech Fit with Tech Gyms

Free Technology Labs for Adults to Explore Fun New Tech Toys

The Springfield Public Library is hosting a series of technology labs for adults to explore fun new tech toys. Play with some new tech toys and get a mental workout in our Tech Gym, open to adults and teens. We are offering three different topics during Summer 2016:

Create in 3D: Saturday, July 16, 1-3pm

- Draw with a 3D pen—a 3D printer you can hold in your hand!
- Build colorful 3D structures that you can light up with Magna Tiles
- Construct a flyable craft and launch it into the air using our wind tunnel

Robotics: Saturday, August 13, 1-3pm

- Build a robot with Cubelets---snap together cubes
- Learn basic programming with Dash and Dot robots
- Tackle robot challenges to build something that solves a problem

Electronics: Monday, August 22, 5:30-7:30pm

- Build a simple machine with Little Bits---magnetic, electrical building tiles
- Make an easy electronics project with Snap Circuits
- Create interactive games and keyboards using Makey Makey

What: Tech Gym Technology Labs for Adults, free

When: Saturday, July 16, 1-3pm; Saturday, August 13, 1-3pm; Monday, August 22, 5:30-7:30pm

Where: Library Meeting Room, Springfield Public Library, 225 5th Street, inside Springfield City Hall

Additional information: Contact Thea Hart at 541-726-2238 or thart@springfield-or.gov