

# WEA Course Information Sheet 2017-18



<b>Course title:</b> Creative Writing		<b>Course ID:</b> C3840522
<b>Start date:</b> 20/04/2018	<b>End date:</b> 22/06/2018	<b>Day(s)/time(s):</b> Fri 10:00
<b>Number of sessions:</b> 10	<b>Hours per session:</b> 2	<b>Tutor:</b> Simon Haworth
<b>Additional hours:</b> 1	<b>Specific funder/partner requirements:</b> No specific qualifications are necessary to attend this course, just an interest in the subject.	
<b>Awarding body (if any):</b> <b>Title of qualification to be gained:</b>		<b>Level:</b> Level 2
<b>Fee:</b> £65.10 or <b>Free</b> if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) <b>Accreditation Fee</b> (if applicable):		
<b>Venue:</b> Quaker Meeting House - Cheadle, 91 Station Road, Cheadle Hulme, Greater Manchester, SK8 7BG		
<b>Theme(s):</b> The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision. <b>Employability</b> – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment <b>Health and Wellbeing</b> – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing <b>Community Engagement</b> – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities <b>Culture</b> – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments		
The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:		
1. <b>Culture Education</b> 2.		

## **Course Aim**

The aim of this course is to develop creative writing skills and enable students to gain confidence and develop a positive, creative relationship with the group.

## **Course Description**

A creative writing course that will explore both the practice and process of writing. This will involve the use of a range of exercises and reading materials. The following topics will be explored:  
How to generate ideas.  
Writing exercises.  
Poetry and prose by published authors.  
Using memory and life stories.  
Character creation.  
How to devise a plot.  
Drafting and editing.  
Writing poetry, prose and dramatic monologues.  
Further topics will take into consideration suggestions from the students.

## **Do I need any particular skills or experience?**

## **What will I achieve?**

**By the end of the course I will be able to:**

1. 1. Read, discuss and reflect on a range of poetry and other texts by published writers.
2. 2. Participate in group discussions and writing activities employing the strategies studied.
3. 3. Identify and evaluate the use of a range of writing techniques and devices.
4. 4. Produce the final draft of a poem or piece of prose.
5. 5. Maintain a writer's journal to reflect the creative process.

### **What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?**

- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning
- You may be asked to undertake additional work in your own time to support your learning

### **What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?**

- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion
- You will have opportunities to discuss your progress with your tutor
- You will be encouraged to share your work with the group and discuss your learning
- You will be encouraged to consider other students work and give your opinions and suggestions

### **What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?**

- A notebook or paper and something to write with.

### **Pre-course work, reading and information sources**

- No pre-course reading is required. Further reading will be provided by the tutor each week.

### **Possible next steps after this course including career opportunities if appropriate**

- This course will hopefully encourage participants to do more writing and will provide a basis for studying on other creative writing courses within the WEA or other Adult Education organisations.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept a Learning Agreement. Full details of the Learning Agreement can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/about-us/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for some courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB Tel: 0300 303 3464 Email: [courseenquiries@wea.org.uk](mailto:courseenquiries@wea.org.uk)

