WEA Course Information Sheet 2017-18



Course title: Creative Writing		Course ID: C3125717
Start date: 09/01/2018	End date: 20/03/2018	Day(s)/time(s): Tue 13:30
Number of sessions: 10	Hours per session: 2	Tutor Sarah Tamar
Additional hours:	Specific funder/partner requirements:	
Awarding body (if any): Title of qualification to be gained:		Level: Level 1

Fee: £75.00 or Free if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded)

Accreditation Fee (if applicable):

Venue: Museum of Carpet, Stour Vale Mill, Green Street, Kidderminster, Worcestershire, DY10

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Theme(s): The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision.

Employability – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment **Health and Wellbeing** – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing **Community Engagement** – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities **Culture** – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments

The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:

1. Culture Education

2. Community Engagement

Course Aim

To provide an introduction to different writing genres and themes which inspire and enable students to develop their own creative writing practice.

Course Description

This course is intended for people who wish to discover or develop their potential as writers in a non-judgmental setting. Its aim is to help students grow in confidence about sharing their writing and reading it aloud. Each session will have a different theme/starting point e.g. flash fiction, plays, folk tale or featured poet or writer, which will initiate writing exercises. Students will be encouraged to read their work back to the group to receive constructive feedback from the tutor and their peers.

Do I need any particular skills or experience?

- This course is suitable for beginners and improvers
- Students need a Level 1 qualification in English to join this course

What will I achieve?

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

- 1. Write a haiku.
- 2. Name a featured writer and describe what impact their writing has had on me.
- 3. Identify the difference between 'showing' and 'telling' in my writing practice and give examples.

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?

- Note book and pen.

Folder for handouts.

Pre-course work, reading and information sources

- Nothing specific, but an interest in literature is desirable.

Possible next steps after this course including career opportunities if appropriate

- Progress to another WEA course
- Progress to a course with another provider
- Become involved with the WEA in a range of voluntary work and other activities including campaigning as a WEA member
- Enter a writing competition.

Attend/perform at a spoken word/open mic event.

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