

Inishbofin Jaunt

Note from Course Designer and core Tutor Yvonne Cullen: I've always wanted to design writing retreats like these. Retreats that balance tuition, writing time, good time with kindred spirits, and the chance to make the most of a beautiful place. Courses where writers can find the distinct support they need at their particular level and also the benefits of working in mixed-level groups: swapping excitement and confidence, solving problems with a beginner's eye, or learning what you believe by having to explain it. In my core workshops in Dublin and around Ireland I try to aid writers in both building skills and in branching out - "knowing your field, and playing its wild edges" - as essay-writer Annie Dillard calls it! Now I've brought these ideas together for the INISHBOFIN JAUNTS.

And what is it about Inishbofin...?

Maybe it's the small size of Inishbofin island, with all its great landscape so easy to access, or the beautiful beaches and clean sea; or it's the one-grocery-shop, one-small-and-lovely-heritage centre, one-sweater-shop (and no-other-shops) set-up of 'Bofin that gives the visitor a true rest from mainland life... Maybe it's the great (to me anyway) 'come-and-go' internet and phone reception that has the calming effect - wait and see! Or the absolute night-time darkness apart from when the stars rival your torch-light. (Bring a torch!) Or the night quiet so deep you can nearly hear the moths flying - apart from when the odd sheep coughs in its sleep as you pass it on your way home from the pub... (It's a very scary thing on a pitch-black road - a sheep coughing, but at least now you're forewarned...) A student last year called the Bofin Jaunt "life-changing." If our courses and participants are some of the reasons for that, then Inishbofin itself is definitely all the rest of them! I really look forward to introducing you to Bofin if you haven't been there, and to reacquainting you with it if you have!
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Weekend One:

Fri 2 Sept - Mon 5 Sept

Beginning Poetry and Personal Essay €17 **or**
Developing Poetry and Personal Essay (longer course) €230

(At each level, and on each weekend, choose form you wish to focus on or try both!)

Weekend Two

Fri 9 Sept - Mon 12 Sept

Beginning Fiction and personal essay €170 **or**
Developing short fiction and essay €270. (This course is longer than beginner and also includes masterclass with second specialist guest tutor, Anthony Glavin).

Max 10 participants (Developing) and 8 participants (Beginner), make early booking advisable. For logistics, courses will also need a minimum booking by 5/8 (weekend 1) and 12/8 (weekend 2) to run. **IF INTERESTED, BOOK SOON AS POSSIBLE!** Full timetable: email writingtrain@gmail.com
Phone 086 1701418 for info or book using form overleaf and send to Yvonne Cullen, 2 Lr Eden Rd Glashule, Co Dublin with payment as outlined. Please read carefully the Ts and Cs of sustainable Jaunt-running (and Jaunt-booking!) in the BOOKING THE INISHBOFIN JAUNT post on www.yvonnecullen.wordpress.com and on third page of the online version of this form. Thanks!

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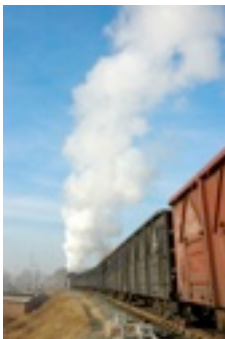
Inishbofin island, Connemara

Reviews of Writing Train courses with Yvonne Cullen:

"Life-changing!" (participant on Aug. 2011 Inishbofin Jaunt)

"The purpose of her classes, to engender in each student a healthier and happier relationship with their own creativity" - DUBLINER MAGAZINE

WRITING TRAIN AUG- OCT GENERAL CLASSES BOOKING FORM



Name, email and phone numbers (land and mobile):

Please underline the course you wish to book

*Mon Beginners 15/8 (5 Weeks) €145 *Tues night workshop 5 weeks 16/8 €145
 DAY W.Workshop 5 weeks €145 *Thurs Night Adv. workshop (5 wks) 28/7 €145
 *5-week Fri night Bootcamp €145 19/8 *Dev. Poet Technique Weekend 20-21 AUGUST €200

*Start Fiction 1-Day Sat 27 Aug €90 *Start essays and non-fiction, Sun 28 Aug €90

*Thurs p.m Start to Write 22 Sept, 8 weeks City Centre €215;

*Thurs night Writing Train Advanced workshop Sept 22nd, 14 wks €350

*Bray fortnightly SEPT 21st 10x 2 hr €210 *Dublin fortnightly SEPT 28th City Centre, €270

Developing Poet Saturday workshop: OCT 8 x 2.75 hr sessions, €215

Monday night START TO WRITE OCT 10, 9 weeks of 2 hr sessions, €225.

Please send me a Paypal request I am paying by cheque

Cheques and booking forms to Yvonne Cullen at 2 Lower Eden Road, Glasthule, Co Dublin,

or email form to writingtrain@gmail.com plus request for paypal invoice. CONTACT

WRITING TRAIN at writingtrain@gmail.com and phone: 086 1701418. Please read general

terms and conditions of booking Writing Train courses in "GENERAL Ts and Cs"

post on the blogsite www.yvonnecullen.wordpress.com I've read these tick

Inishbofin Jaunt booking form



Booking deadline weekend one (poetry): 5 Aug and Weekend two (Beginners and Short Fiction) 12th Aug. Bonus written evaluation of a writing sample for early bookers! If we do not have a quorum booked and paid by these deadlines, course will not go ahead.

Name Email
 Contact Phone

Weekend One Beginners' Poetry basic fee €170 tick

Weekend One Developing Poet basic fee €230 tick

Weekend Two Begin to Write basic fee €170 tick

Weekend Two Developing short fiction €270 tick



Please see RECENT POST On yvonnecullen.wordpress.com titled BOOKING THE INISHBOFIN JAUNT, for all further details re accommodation booking (through me) and fees, plus important terms and conditions of your booking, in same post, and all info re cancellation deadlines and applicable refunds. **Also viewable on sheet 3 of online version of this booking form.**

I have read the BOOKING THE INISHBOFIN JAUNT post on yvonnecullen.wordpress.com and have read and accept the terms and conditions of this booking which are laid out in the TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF INISHBOFIN JAUNT post on www.yvonnecullen.wordpress.com and/or on sheet 3 of this form ONLINE at www.yvonnecullen.wordpress.com tick

I enclose FEE cheque tick ACCOMMODATION cheque tick

I would like a paypal request for accommodation & fees (this will add 3% to your bill) tick Please send me excel timetable of weekend activities tick

Please post form and cheque/s to Yvonne Cullen, 2 Lower Eden Road, Glasthule Co Dublin. Or copy this form to a new doc., fill in on screen and return as an attachment to an email to writingtrain@gmail.com and request paypal invoice in our email. *Looking forward to working with you at Writing Train!*

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF YOUR BOOKING:

I aim for my retreats and courses to contribute to Inishbofin and to do so in a sustainable way for the island, for myself, and for those who wish to book with me. Because of the island setting of our courses, strict booking terms and conditions necessarily apply.

IF YOU ARE BOOKING AFTER SUNDAY 24 JULY, FULL FEE IS DUE IMMEDIATELY, as is your full ACCOMMODATION FEE based on your choice of accommodation (see below). If there is any small change to your accommodation fee (unlikely) due to your first choice being unavailable I will contact you.

Add 3% to course fee if paying course fee by paypal thank you and tick PAYPAL REQUEST PLEASE on form above.

Cheque to cash for your accommodation fee is best, as this is easiest for passing on to different individual accommodation providers.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BOOKING:

New students booking online (filling out booking form and returning) or by phone before end of FRI 29 JULY have 7 days from date of booking to cancel for no reason and full refund of course and accommodation fee under law on distance selling. In case of face to face booking, or existing student booking in circs where you could discuss course with me, this does not apply. In these circs (**face to face, existing student**) **cancellation is possible up to 5 AUGUST but attracts a 25% withholding charge for admin re replacing you, and 25% withholding fee re your accommodation fee.**

If booking after AUG 5, cancellation will **only** result in FEE refund (minus 25% admin charge) if I can re-sell your place, not otherwise. **In re Accommodation charges refunds if I can replace you on trip and fill**

your accomodation place I will organise for you to be refunded 75% of your accommodation fee less 25% admin to me. If no one else is found for your accomodation place, your payment for it remains with your accommodation host, and should you wish to discuss with your host re 'credit' for later or other options, I will give you their contact information. It's only on this basis that we can engage with the special and challenging circs. of the tourism business on Inishbofin - hope you can see this.

It is a condition of the trip that you agree to take good standard single room (most are in fact doubles or twins of which you will have sole occupancy, they will be allocated best and best value first unless you request otherwise!) in one of our two shared house accommodation options near our workshop venue, at €115 - €125 for 3 nights, (4 of each, on "first come" basis) plus 2 further **optional** large quiet APARTMENT SHARE places at €55, sharing with participant of same sex / a friend you've brought down). NB re weekend One, island is booked up apart from accomm. I have retained. Late bookers may just have the €55 option if it is still available. At other end of scale, Budget option is the very pleasant INISHBOFIN island hostel where we have reserved a 6- bed dorm, through me at €50 for 3 nights.

WEEKEND TWO EXTRA OPTION, first 5 participants to book will have option of lovely B and B at GALLEY CAFE (beside our workshop venue and also the location of our SUNDAY NIGHT READING). Budget for €120 for 3 nights max. Once first five have chosen B and B / shared house / hostel options, remaining participants who have not opted for hostel will be allocated accomm. between B and B and our two very good quality shared houses just down the road from it. **B and B and houses for both weekends are all just**

minutes from the fantastic DUACH and RUSHEEN bay beaches at the island's East End. Hostel is 15 minutes walk back towards harbour from here. Some classes will take place at my lodging at GALLEY. Some, with everyone's agreement, will take place in living rooms of shared houses. Some will take place in a venue near Bofin Pier.

I thank you in advance for your understanding re these conditions which have been carefully thought through to try to respect and safeguard all of us equally! In order to have access to good standard group accommodation I need to book it far in advance. Trusting accommodation providers both deserve and require that bookings will come through on foot of this.

It's an essential condition of taking part that you organise single trip travel insurance <http://www.insurancebookers.ie> has very good deals. This is to cover you lest you get ill and have to be airlifted off the island to hospital, (perish the thought!) or in case you have to cancel any aspect of your booking for any unforeseen reason. By this means, you can absorb the blow of covering myself and or the accommodation provider, and be reimbursed later. I can't stress enough the value of taking out this insurance, for peace of mind.

I have organised single trip travel insurance Tick

NB: I've read and understand the terms and conditions of booking and accept them. Tick

I understand that by returning this booking form I am committing myself to paying the fee for the Inishbofin Jaunt poetry weekend and accommodation fee. Tick

For full timetable for Weekends email writingtrain@gmail.com For full biogs on tutors Yvonne and Anthony see Inishbofin Tutor Biogs post on www.yvonnecullen.wordpress.com

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