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DAYTIME WRITING WORKSHOP

10.30 a.m – 1 p.m. 5 weeks of 2.5 hrs. Venue: United Arts Club, Fitzwilliam Street, D.2. (Three August Thursday a.m.s, 11, 18 and 25 Aug. time off to complete some tailored writing challenges & two September Wednesdays Sept 21 and 28). €145

EVENING ADVANCED WRITING WORKSHOP "5 THURSDAY NIGHTS"

TRY OUT WHAT MIGHT WELL BE THE BEST ONGOING ADVANCED WORKSHOP IN DUBLIN, AT A FRACTION OF USUAL COURSE-FEE! 6.30 - 9. p.m., Venue: City Arts Centre, Bachelors' Walk, D.1. 28 JULY, 4, 11, 18. 25 AUG, FEE €145

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INTERMEDIATE WRITING TRAIN For a maximum blend of tuition and response to your work. **Five Tuesdays** runs 6.30 – 9 p.m from Aug 16th. Dates: Aug 16, 23, 30, Sept 21, Oct 5). Fee: €145. Venue: Sweny's Chemist, Lincoln Place, D.2 (beside Pearse Dart Station).

DEVELOPING POET intensive tailored **Poetry Technique weekend** incl. group "reading" event, 20-21 Aug with two tutors including-guest tutor Mark Granier whose input will be focussed on form and rhyme. €200.

6-meeting **BEGINNERS' CRAFT & KICK-STARTS MONDAY COURSE** **Starts Monday 15 Aug** runs 6.30 – 8.45 p.m., Aug 15, 22, 29 Break to write. Class resumes Sept 19, followed by Oct 3, 10. City Arts Centre, Bachelors' Walk, D.1. Fee: €160.

5-week **Friday Night Creative Writing Bootcamp** (and by the sea to boot!) Writing, laughs and lots of tea on these 5 evenings in my book-filled cottage in Glasthule. €145, course runs: Aug 19, 26, Sept 23, 30, Oct 7.

FORTNIGHTLY writing WORKSHOP in Bray New Term 21 Sept! **FORT-NIGHTLY WORKSHOP IN DUBLIN CITY CENTRE STARTS 28 SEPT**

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Retreats to Inis Bofin island take place Sept 2 - 6, and Sept 9-12, 2011. AUTUMN WKLY COURSES incl: **Thurs 2 p.m START TO WRITE 22 Sept, Thurs Night Advanced workshop 22 Sept, Developing Poet Sats from 1 Oct, Monday Night Start to Write Oct 17, Morning Workshop Wednesdays from Oct 5th**, Check yvonnecullen.wordpress.com and Yvonne Cullen's writing train/ facebook for info on all of these!

SUCCESSSES AT WRITING TRAIN

It's by no means all about the literary prizes at Writing Train, but they are encouraging! **In 2011 to date**, we have had TWO students on the shortlist for the SUNDAY TRIBUNE Hennessy award (one fiction, one poetry). ONE short-listing for FRANCIS McMANUS STORY AWARD. One longtime workshop member shortlisted for STROKESTOWN poetry prize. SIX WRITING SALOON performance nights for writers and readers, at SWENY'S CHEMIST'S (and at Writing Train H.Q in Glasthule). And most importantly of all, our usual uncountable number of shared insights, discoveries laughs and mugs of tea in every class, every week!

2010: Four current and past students were shortlisted for HENNESSY AWARD. SEVEN students short-listed for the Over The Edge New Writing Award. ONE student highly commended there and shortlisted for the BRIDPORT Poetry Prize. Longtime student won 'First Runner Up' prize in Patrick Kavanagh Award. ONE Novel launch, ONE non-fiction launch, ONE poetry collection launch, TWO students finishing Writing M.As, ONE student starting same.

"If it had not been for those Thursday nights, this one might never have happened!" (Yvonne Cassidy, longtime WRITING TRAIN workshop participant, at the launch of her first novel, "The Other Boy," in summer 2010)