



Black Writers Reunion & Conference

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Praise for BWRC

"Congratulations on a job well done. I have never been to a more enjoyable and smoothly run conference in all my years in publishing. Thanks again for your careful attention to detail and comfort." - Carol Taylor

"The BWRC can only be described as a total EXPERIENCE. I have been to a number of conferences, both black and white, and none came close to what I experienced in Dallas. I walked away feeling renewed, revived and rededicated to the craft of writing."
- ReShonda Tate Billingsley

"...superior workshops, flawless organization and accommodations, and a magnificent company of authors--a soul enriching gathering of sisters and brothers." - Gwynne Forster

"I'm still buzzing from the wealth of information, inspiration, and encouragement I received. What makes the BWRC so special is that it is not just about writing and publishing; it's also about friendship and family. I'm already counting the days to our next reunion!" - David McGoy

"I thoroughly enjoyed every aspect of the conference and you are to be commended for a first-class affair. The authors and presenters provided me with ample information to use in my upcoming projects." - Memphis Vaughan, Jr.

"I felt a kinship that is immeasurable. You get more than your money's worth in regards to the workshops. No matter which workshop you attended, you were going to come out of there knowing something you didn't know before." - Cydney Rax

"I can't stop talking about the professionalism of the BWRC staff and presenters. Each presenter promised and delivered a dynamite session on the do's and don'ts of publishing. A wealth of information was exchanged, retained, and sustained by all. I walked away with renewed energy and a real commitment to completing my literary goals." - Janette Owens

"Outstanding conference. I can't remember when I worked as hard at having fun and learning as I did at this conference." - Margie Walker

"I was so charged up from attending the conference. I am also so very pleased to see the kind of organization and nurturing available to African-American writers that has been available to white writers for years." - Tananarive Due

"Our ancestors must have been grinning to see their descendants coming together for a real purpose." - Rochelle Alers

"The thing I remember most is the support from published and unpublished writers, devoid of pretentious egos. Thank you guys so much for giving me a starting point. Without your conference, my dreams would not be coming true. God Bless You!"
- William Fredrick Cooper

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From Dreams to Reality

Over 30 sessions and workshops covering:

The Craft of Writing
The Business of Publishing
Writing Careers & Businesses



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Workshops & Sessions to Help You Take Your Skills to the Next Level



Black Writers Reunion & Conference presents a writers' summit offering more than 30 sessions, hands-on workshops, readings, and conversations to help you improve your writing, develop new skills, increase your publishing knowledge, improve sales, launch and build your writing career or business, and take your writing craft, career, and business goals "*From Dreams to Reality.*"

- Activities Includes:**
- ◆ 34 Workshops
 - ◆ Book Expo-Fri.@5:30p
 - ◆ Poetry Slam-Sat.@8:30p

◆ Stage Play, "Confessions of a Preacher's Wife"

Craft of Writing

- ◆ Work Smarter, Not Harder: Save Time & Add Value to Fiction Through Character Development
- ◆ Page By Page: Using Scene and Sequel to Plot Your Novel
- ◆ The Writer's Journey: From Idea to Finished Draft to Publication
- ◆ Research Methods & Techniques for Fiction and Nonfiction
- ◆ So You Want to Write for Children
- ◆ Creative Writing for Young Adults
- ◆ Creating The Poet: The Craft and Business of Poetry
- ◆ Writing a Play: The Art of Telling Our Stories
- ◆ Writing Christian Fiction: Ministry vs. Entertainment
- ◆ Writing a Nonfiction Book That Sells

Business of Publishing

- ◆ From Self-Published to Published with a Major House
- ◆ Nine Things Every Writer Should Know About the Law
- ◆ Working With Literary Agents
- ◆ Four P's of Self-Publishing
- ◆ CyberSpace Book Promotions and Publicity
- ◆ Mistakes First-Time Authors Make (How to Avoid Them)
- ◆ Pens Down: Time to Market Your Book
- ◆ Expanding Your Book Market
- ◆ Secrets of Successful Query Letter Writing

Writing Careers & Businesses

- ◆ Beyond the Box: Writing the Great Screenplay
- ◆ Travel Writing the Diaspora
- ◆ Writing Effective Promotional Copy for Your Business
- ◆ Beyond the Book: Writing for the Digital World
- ◆ From Hobby to Career: Crafting an Exit Strategy to Write Full Time
- ◆ Proposal Writing
- ◆ Ace the Writing Interview
- ◆ S.P.E.A.K.: Sensational, Powerful, Engaging, Authoritative Keys to Public Presentation
- ◆ Start Your Own Business
- ◆ Technical Writing
- ◆ From Writer to Editor: Copyediting Principles That Work

Two-Hour Sessions

Thurs., June 19 & Sat., June 21

- ◆ Dream It! Write It! Sell It!
- ◆ Legal Matters That Matter to Writers
- ◆ How to Self-Publish & Market Your Own Book

See website for workshop descriptions.

Register today and secure a spot at the 2008 BWRC for as little as \$40 for individual workshops and \$289 for full conference tuition. Full registration includes access to the Thursday reception, Friday & Saturday workshops, the luncheon, a copy of all conference handouts on CD-ROM, and a one-year subscription to *WRITTEN* magazine.

Registration

Registration by mail must be postmarked by 6/10; online registration ends 6/12.

Mr./Mrs./Ms./Dr. _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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	Before 6/10/08	On-Site ¹	Subtotal
Full conference	\$289	\$339	
Full conference-student²/senior³	\$259	\$299	
Friday & Saturday workshops⁴	\$239	\$279	
Friday workshops⁵	\$129	\$149	
Saturday workshops⁵	\$129	\$149	
Individual (one-hr) workshops⁶	\$40	\$50	
Poetry Slam	\$10	\$15	
Dream It! Write It! Sell it!	\$69	\$79	
Legal Matters	\$69	\$79	
How to Self-Publish	\$69	\$79	
	TOTAL		\$

¹ BWRC cannot guarantee that on-site registration will be available.
² Students must supply proof of full-time student status upon registering.
³ Seniors 65 years of age or older.
⁴ Includes access to Friday & Saturday one-hour workshops and a copy of all conference handouts on CD-ROM.
⁵ Includes access to Friday OR Saturday one-hour workshops only.
⁶ Individual workshop registration form available upon request.

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Signature _____

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Please make check/money order payable to:
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Hotel Information

Sheraton Tampa Riverwalk Hotel
 200 N. Ashley Dr., Tampa, Florida 33602
 Standard Room Rate of \$119 available June 16-24
 Reservations must be made by May 17, 2008
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