

NDSU Celebrates National Day on Writing

On Friday, October 19, 2012, NDSU will participate in the National Day on Writing, an annual event organized by the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE): <http://www.ncte.org/dayonwriting>. Designed to “draw attention to the remarkable variety of writing we engage in,” the day has traditionally been declared a national observance by the U.S. Senate.

The celebration at NDSU includes the following events:

8:00am-4:00pm, “Exquisite Corpse,” NDSU Facebook Page

The Department of English will sponsor an “Exquisite Corpse,” a form of writing that allows multiple writers to compose together playfully in sequence. Every hour a new story starter will appear on the NDSU Facebook page. All students, alumni, faculty, staff, and community members are encouraged to move the hourly stories along by adding to them. Read the starter and the comments that follow and add what would make an amusing or interesting addition to the story. To participate, please go to: <http://www.facebook.com/ndsufargo>. For more information, please contact Brandi Fuglsby, Lecturer in the Department of English: brandi.fuglsby@ndsu.edu.

10:00am-11:00am, “Workplace Writing: Effective or Correct?” Sudro 26

The Center for Writers will welcome Microsoft Senior Communications Manager, Katie Hasbargen, Ph.D., as a guest speaker. In today's business environment, information changes hands at record speed. This accelerated pace does not always facilitate proper writing style or form. Learn how professionals can make their writing style and tone effective and relevant depending on the circumstance and communication medium. To register, please go to: <http://www.ndsu.edu/cfwriters/workshops>. For more information, please contact Karen Peirce, Associate Director of the Center for Writers: karen.peirce@ndsu.edu.

10:00am-2:00pm, “Resources for Your Writing at the NDSU Libraries,” Lobby, Main Library

The NDSU Libraries will staff a table in the lobby of the Main Library. Information on a variety of materials related to writing will be available. Find out who to contact for help with your writing related research. For more information, please contact Char Myhre, Senior Reference and Instruction Librarian: char.myhre@ndsu.edu.

11:00am-2:00pm, “Center for Writers Open House,” Main Library Room 6

The Center for Writers, Student Government, and Office of the Provost will host an open house in the newly renovated and expanded Center for Writers. Snacks and door prizes will be

available. For more information, please contact Mary Pull, Director of the Center for Writers: mary.pull@ndsu.edu.

11:00am-2:00pm, "Resources for Writers," Lobby, Memorial Union

The Center for Writers will staff a table in the lobby of the Memorial Union. The campus community will be able to learn about the services offered by the Center and to have fun with word games and writing activities. For more information, please contact Mary Pull, Director of the Center for Writers: mary.pull@ndsu.edu.

11:30am-12:30pm, "Learn to Calligraphy," Morrill 101

The Department of English will offer a workshop to introduce the basic strokes of Chinese calligraphy. Attendees will create Chinese prayer and blessing cards that can be brought home to share with friends or family. Brushes, inks, and paper will be provided. Calligraphy can be messy, so wear clothing that washes easily. For more information, please contact Matthew Warner, Graduate Teaching Assistant in the Department of English: matthew.b.warner@ndsu.edu.

The NDSU Celebration of the National Day on Writing is supported by the Center for Writers, the Department of English, NDSU Libraries, Student Government, and the Office of the Provost.