

National Novel Writing Month: HWPL's 11th Year!

Join the world's largest writing challenge and nonprofit literary crusade—first observed in 1999. Participants pledge to write 50,000 words in a month, starting from scratch and reaching 'The End' by Nov. 30. Write on any theme, genre or in any language. The simple aim is to get people to start writing, using the deadline as an incentive to get the story going and to put words to paper. The idea is to focus on completion instead of perfection, encouraging writers to finish their first draft for later editing.

All events are free and open to the public, feel free to bring a friend. For questions, contact our in-house NaNoWriMo veteran Sarah Lauderdale at: slauderdale@hwlibrary.org

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Writer's Workshop Wed. Oct. 9 & 16, 6 - 8

Need help getting started? Messy first draft woes? Let's review aspects of character, setting, dialogue; and talk outline techniques, story vs. plot, and finding your writer's voice. (No, you aren't expected to join NaNoWriMo after, but it's there if you want!)

NaNo Newbies Q&A Wed. Oct. 23, 7-8

For those interested in finding out more about the camaraderie and writing frenzy that is November's National Novel Writing Month.

Opening Day Write-In Fri. Nov. 1, 10 - 9

Start strong by popping by our *First Day Frenzy*.

Come when you can, leave when you like. Pizza for the evening crew is provided by the Friends of the Library.

Write-Ins!

EVERY SATURDAY IN NOVEMBER

2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 10 - 3:45

Come write in! Get cracking on your novel and stay strong with supportive write-ins. Come when you can, leave when you like.

Concluding with ...

Author Satin Russell on Self-Publishing Tue. Dec. 10 at 7

So you've finished, started, or thought really hard about your first draft. Now what? Ms. Russell is a local NaNoWriMo veteran who has published two books of her series *The Harper Sisters*. Is self-publishing for you? Hear from someone who's been there



and done it - bring your questions, and get ready to take that next step towards self-publishing.