

National Novel Writing Month: HWPL's 13th Year!

Join the world's largest writing challenge first observed in 1999. Participants pledge to write 50,000 words, 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.



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Schedule of Events



October - December 2021

NaNoWriMo is officially virtual-only this year; in person events are not affiliated with NaNoWriMo.org. For virtual events a live link in the events calendar will be available: hwlibrary.org/events. For in-person events RSVP is requested in case they are required to go remote. They will not be rescheduled.

Virtual NaNo Newbies Q&A

Wed. Oct. 20 from 7-8. For those interested in finding out more about the camaraderie and writing frenzy that is November's National Novel Writing Month.

Virtual 'First Day Frenzy' Write-In Mon. Nov. 1 from 10 - 8. Inviting all eager NaNo participants to start strong by popping by our 'Manic Monday' Write-In. Zoom in when you can, leave when you like.



Virtual Write-Ins! EVERY SATURDAY and SUNDAY **IN NOVEMBER** from **10 - 4.** Get cracking on your novel and stay strong with supportive write-ins. Zoom in when you can, leave when you like.



Your Children's Book: From Idea to Reality. Tue. Nov. 16 from 7 - 8:30 in person at the Library.



Hear from 2 seasoned veterans of the children's publishing world: author Peter Mandel and illustrator Susan Spellman. **RSVP** requested.



Concluding with ... "A Debut Novelist's Rocky Road to Publication." Tue. Dec. 7 at 7 in person at the Library.

Writer Randy Ross pitched his debut novel to 110 agents and 5 small presses before receiving an offer. He will share tips learned the hard way about approaching agents and negotiating a contract. RSVP requested.



NaNoWriMo Diaper Drive: try to bring a package of diapers to any event for CGT. Addressing a simple, daily need can have a really big impact. Thank you!