

Hemingway- Pfeiffer Reading Retreat



Islands in the Stream: The Boundaries of Memoir

April 1, 2017



Here's How It Works

1. When you sign-up for the retreat, we will send you three books.
2. Read the three books at your convenience over the winter.
3. Join us in April for a day of discussion and fun based on the books.



Schedule for the Retreat

Saturday (April 1)

8:30-9 AM—Coffee and donuts

9-11—Discussion of *Islands in the Stream*
(Hemingway)

11-12 PM—Lunch

12-2—Discussion of *In the Lake of the Woods*
(O'Brien)

2-2:30—Snack Break

2:30-4:30—Discussion of *I, Tituba* (Condé)

4:30-6—Break (on your own)

6-8—Dinner. Our guest for dinner will be Valerie Hemingway. A copy of her memoir *Running with the Bulls* is included with registration for the full day.

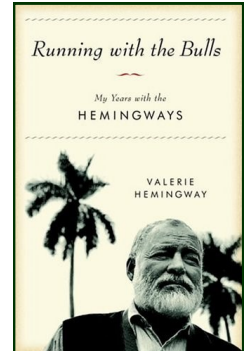
**Price includes all meals on Saturday.*

**Price also includes all activities and the cost of the books (which we will send to you after you register).*



Not Able to Join Us All Day?

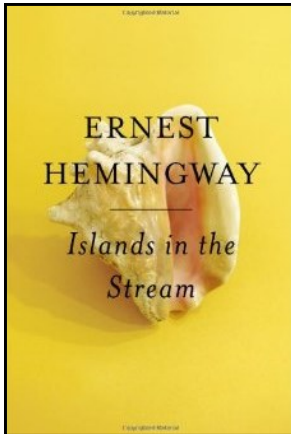
Then, why don't you join us for dinner? It will be a great time. Our guest will be Valerie Hemingway. Her memoir *Running with the Bulls* recounts her experiences as both Ernest Hemingway's personal secretary and his son Gregory's wife. Tickets for dinner are included for retreat participants and are \$35 for other guests.



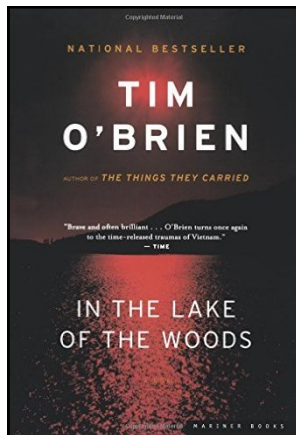
“By telling stories, you objectify your own experience. You separate it from yourself. You pin down certain truths. You make up others.”

- Tim O'Brien

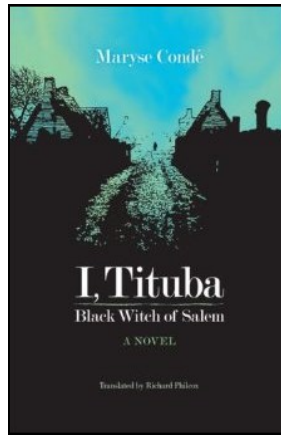
The Books



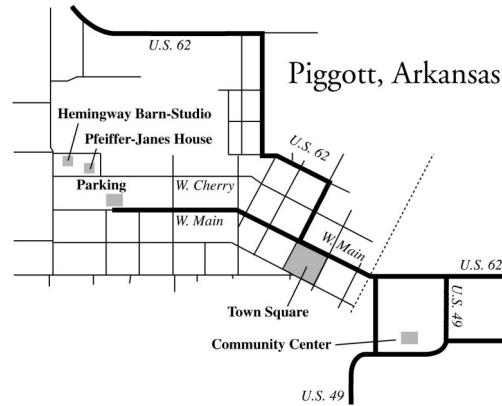
First published in 1970, nine years after Hemingway's death, *Islands in the Stream* is a work of fiction — the story of an artist and adventurer, a man much like Hemingway himself. Beginning in the 1930s, *Islands in the Stream* follows the fortunes of Thomas Hudson, from his experiences as a painter on the Gulf Stream island of Bimini through his antisubmarine activities off the coast of Cuba during World War II. Hemingway is at his mature best in this beguiling tale.



Tim O'Brien's celebrated classic *In the Lake of the Woods* is a riveting novel of love and mystery from the author of *The Things They Carried*. Drawing in part on his own experiences in war, O'Brien examines the lasting impact of the twentieth century's legacy of violence and warfare, both at home and abroad. When long-hidden secrets about the atrocities he committed in Vietnam come to light, a candidate for the U.S. Senate retreats with his wife to a lakeside cabin in northern Minnesota. Within days of their arrival, his wife mysteriously vanishes into the watery wilderness.



I, Tituba: Black Witch of Salem is a wild and entertaining novel which expands on the true story of the West Indian slave Tituba, who was accused of witchcraft in Salem, Massachusetts, arrested in 1692, and forgotten in jail until the general amnesty for witches two years later. Maryse Condé brings Tituba out of historical silence and creates for her a fictional childhood, adolescence, and old age. She turns Tituba into what she calls “a sort of female hero, an epic heroine, like the legendary Nanny of the maroons,” who, schooled in the sorcery and magical ritual of *obeah*, is arrested for healing members of the family that owns her.



Piggott Lodging

The Inn at Piggott: 870-598-8888
(formerly the Downtown Inn)
Open Roads Motel: 870-598-5941
Rose Dale Farm B&B: 870-634-7100

*Amenities are also available in nearby Kennett, MO.

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Registration is \$100 by March 24. There is a \$25 dollar late registration fee for registrations after March 24. Partial refund of \$65 if canceled by March 29. Please register as soon as possible and make lodging reservations, as the retreat is limited to 18 participants.

_____ Full Retreat Registration (\$100)

_____ Dinner Only (\$35)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: () _____

Email: _____

Credit Card:

VISA _____ MasterCard _____ Discover _____

Account # _____

Expiration Date: _____ CSC: _____

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Checks and money orders payable to:
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