

Summer Writers' Retreat

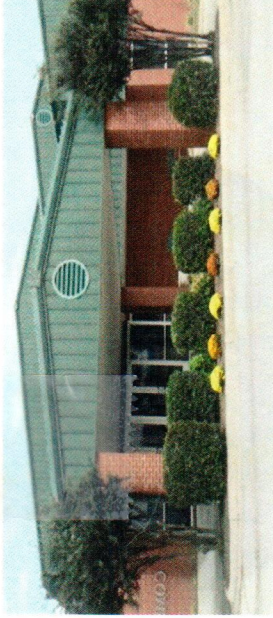
The retreat offers adults with the opportunity to work on personal creative writing, share their work, receive feedback and interact with others interested in writing. Writers have the opportunity to work in the Barn-Studio where Ernest Hemingway wrote during his visits to Piggott. Not all writers come with something in mind to write, but many do. The retreat is structured to be interactive, a time when friendships are formed, craft is honed, and creativity is enhanced.

The mentor for this retreat will be the 2021 Hemingway-Pfeiffer Writer-In-Residence Mary Miller of Oxford, Mississippi. We would like to thank Piggott State Bank for sponsoring the writer-in-residence program and their



Miller grew up in Jackson, Mississippi. She is the author of two collections of short stories, *Big World* (Short Flight/Long Drive Books, 2009), and *Always Happy Hour* (Liveright, 2017), as well as the novels *The Last Days of California* (Liveright, 2014) and *Biloxi* (Liveright, 2019).

Her stories have appeared in *The Paris Review*, *Pushcart Prize XLIV*, *the Oxford American*, *Norton's Sea-gull Book of Stories*, *The Best of McSweeney's Quarterly*, *American Short Fiction*, and many others. She is a former James A. Michener Fellow in Fiction at the University of Texas and John and Renee Grisham Writer-in-Residence at the University of Mississippi. She lives in Oxford, Mississippi with her husband, Lucky and her dog, Winter.



The Piggott Community Center

In order to provide appropriate social distancing the retreat group sessions will be held in the Piggott Community Center, located at 161 East Pfeiffer Street in Piggott. Participants may choose to write in the community center, the Hemingway-Pfeiffer Museum and Education Center. We encourage you to bring your own laptop computer. Please let us know if you need one provided for you at registration.

Tentative Retreat Schedule

Monday: June 14, 2021

9:00 AM - 12 - Craft Talk/Group Discussion/Exercises
12:00 PM - Lunch-Provided
12:30 PM - Complimentary City of Piggott Tour
1:00 PM - Individual Writing Time
2:30 - 3:30 PM - Peer Review Workshop
3:45 PM - Dismissal

Tuesday: June 15, 2021

9:00 AM - 12 - Craft Talk/Group Discussion/Exercises
12:00 PM - Lunch - Provided
12:30 PM - Individual Writing Time
1:00 PM - Complimentary HPMEC Museum Tour
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM - Peer Review Workshop
3:45 PM - Dismissal

Wednesday: June 16, 2021

9:00 AM - 12 - Craft Talk/Group Discussion/Exercises
12 PM - Lunch - Provided
12:30 PM - Individual Writing Time
1:00 PM - Complimentary Matilda & Karl Pfeiffer Museum Tour
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM - Peer Review Workshop
3:45 PM - Dismissal

Thursday: June 17, 2021

9:00 AM - 12 - Craft Talk/Group Discussion/Exercises
12:00 PM - Lunch - Provided
12:30 PM - Individual Writing Time
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM - Peer Review Workshop
3:45 PM - Dismissal
5:00 PM - Dinner at Strawberry's Steak House (Dutch Treat)

Friday: June 18, 2021

9:00 AM - 12 - Craft Talk/Group Discussion/Exercises
12:00 PM - Picnic at HPMEC-Provided
12:30 PM - Reading in the barn/quilt signing
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM - Peer Review Workshop
3:45 PM - Dismissal

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June 14 - 18, 2021

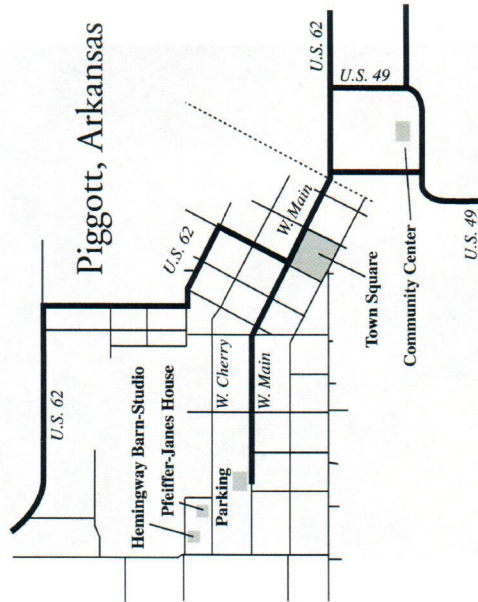


****Piggott Area Lodging****

The Inn at Piggott: 870-598-8888
Open Roads Motel: 870-598-5941
Rose Dale Farm B&B: 870-634-7100
The Manor at Whitaker Place B&B
 870-324-1418

Be sure to mention you are attending the Hemingway-Pfeiffer Writers' Retreat.

*Amenities are also available in nearby Kennett, MO.



Local Attractions

The Matilda and Karl Pfeiffer Museum, a 1933 Tudor Revival-style home adjacent to the Hemingway Barn-Studio, features native botanical gardens, a world-class mineral collection and a Native American artifact collection.

Chalk Bluff Park, a Civil War site about 15 minutes north of Piggott at St. Francis, offers paved heritage trails through the wooded area at the St. Francis River.

Heritage Park, less than five minutes from HPMEC, features a fishing lake with paved walking trails, picnic areas and playgrounds.

Shop and Dine "On the Square." The downtown area is lined with shops featuring antiques, collectibles, and unique gifts, along with dining facilities.



Ernest and Pauline Hemingway's Paris Wedding
 May 10, 1927

The Hemingway-Pfeiffer Museum and Educational Center in Piggott, Arkansas, is the former residence of Paul and Mary Pfeiffer, whose daughter Pauline was married to the great American writer Ernest Hemingway.

Pauline met Ernest and his first wife Hadley in 1925 at a party in Paris. Pauline had graduated from the University of Missouri School of Journalism in 1918 and worked for the *Cleveland Press* and *Vanity Fair* in New York before accepting a job with the Paris bureau of *Vogue* magazine.

After their marriage on May 10, 1927, Pauline and Ernest remained in Paris for a time, settling later in Key West, FL. During their marriage, from 1927-1940, they were frequent visitors to Piggott, and the Pfeiffer's converted their barn into a studio to give Hemingway privacy for writing. It was in this unlikely spot that he wrote portions of *A Farewell to Arms* and various short stories.

HPMEC offers Writers' Retreats for adults, Young Authors Workshops, an annual Student Art Exhibition, and other special events.

Tours are as scheduled:
 Monday-Friday
 On the hour starting at 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

**Hemingway-Pfeiffer
 Summer Writers' Retreat
 June 14-18, 2021
 Registration Form**

Registration is \$275.00 by June 1st. Single-day registrations are not available. Full refund if canceled by June 4th. Please register as soon as possible and make lodging reservations, as the retreat is limited to 10 participants.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: () _____

Email: _____

Credit Card: _____
 VISA MasterCard Discover

Account # _____

Expiration Date: _____ CSC: _____

Signature of card holder: _____

Checks and money order payable to:
 HPMEC Writers' Retreat

Mail with completed Registration Form to:
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 Piggott, AR 72454

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