



Delaware Division of the Arts Presents

## **2008 Poetry and Fiction Writers Retreat**

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Retreat Leaders: Dr. JoAnn Balingit, poetry, and Dr. Cruce Stark, fiction

Date: October 23-26, 2008

Location: The Biden Center, Cape Henlopen State Park, Lewes, Delaware

Participant fee: \$250 (includes room and board)

Spend a weekend of writing at the beach with Dr. JoAnn Balingit, Delaware Poet Laureate, and Dr. Cruce Stark, recently retired from the University of Delaware's creative writing faculty. There will be discussions, workshops, critiques, and lots of writing time during the day with no interruptions or meals to cook!

The Division of the Arts is pleased to support this low-cost multi-day retreat for Delaware writers. The application process is competitive, and participants will be chosen based on the merit of their work. Applications will be read anonymously by experts in each genre, and 8 attendees in fiction and 8 attendees in poetry will be chosen from the pool of applicants. Beginners are encouraged to apply, and no publishing experience is necessary. Past attendees of other writing retreats are welcome to apply, although priority will be given to first-time applicants.

Please email the application form below and attach **up to six pages of poetry or up to 25 pages of fiction**, and a scanned copy of your Delaware driver's license or Delaware identification card to Sheila Ross ([sheila.ross@state.de.us](mailto:sheila.ross@state.de.us)) by August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008.



**Delaware Division of the Arts 2008 Poetry and Fiction Writers Retreat  
Application Form**

Name:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Contact phone:	
Email:	
DE resident since:	
Dietary restrictions:	

Application for:  Poetry       Fiction

Submit a maximum of **6 pages of poetry** or **up to 25 pages of fiction**. Poem entries should be single spaced, 12 point type, numbered pages. ***Please double-space prose. (Do not include your name or any identifier on your sample.)***

List titles of poetry samples submitted:


List title of fiction sample submitted:

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Email materials to: Sheila Dean Ross (sheila.ross@state.de.us)

For questions: call 302-577-8286 or email [sheila.ross@state.de.us](mailto:sheila.ross@state.de.us)

**Applications, with writing samples, must be received by 4:00 pm, Monday, August 4, 2008.**

**Applicants accepted to attend the retreat will be notified the week of August 25, 2008.**