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RATES*

- Multi-Day Course: \$1000
- Keynote: \$700
- Single Seminar: \$500
- Panel: \$300

*Travel and transportation not included.

PAST ENGAGEMENTS

- International Thriller Writers - CraftFest
- Surrey International Writers' Conference
- Midwest Mystery Writers of America
- Maryland Writers Association
- Bay to Ocean Writers Conference
- Savvy Authors WriterCon

SPEAKING TOPICS

CRAFT A COZY MYSTERY IN THREE EASY STEPS

This presentation provides three key questions to help writers kickstart their cozy community with clever clue placement, characterizations, plotting, and pacing. Then we practice how to outline those elements into four acts.

UNDERSTANDING UNRELIABLE NARRATORS IN FICTION

What are the five main types of unreliable narrators? What's the best way to incorporate them? And how do you make them empathetic so the reader comes back for more? This presentation explores those questions and puts a new spin on the technique.

CRAFTING CHARACTERS OF COLOR WITH CARE & CREATIVITY

We'll cover how to create well-rounded characters of color and the 13 common cultural tropes to bend, break, and banish from your writer's vocabulary. We'll also discuss five positive steps to take to ensure each representation sincerely serves the story, not some publisher's wish list.