

The Pensters Writing Group – 2026–2027 Season Speakers

Join us on the Saturdays below from 10 a.m. to noon to learn from these professionals.

Open to visitors at no charge (annual membership \$30)

Fairhope Public Library, 501 Fairhope Avenue, Fairhope, Alabama 36532*

Website: <http://www.pensterswritinggroup.com/> and on Facebook: [PenstersWriting](#)



September 12, 2026 – “Unleashing Your Words: Ethical AI Prompting to Market Your Writing”

Katherine Nelson-Born, former Northwest Florida Poet Laureate (2020–2023), is a member of Emerald Coast Writers and serves as President of the Northwest Florida Poets Chapter of the Florida State Poets Association.



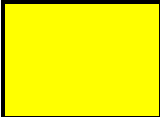
October 10, 2026 – “Understanding AI: What Writers Need to Know”

Teresa Ramsey presents a straightforward introduction to artificial intelligence—what it is, what it can and cannot do, red flags to watch out for, and how writers can navigate this technology ethically and thoughtfully.



November 14, 2026 – “Writing the Hard Part: Trauma and Revelation”

Patricia Foster will talk about writing “the hard part”—the hidden narratives and shadow stories that emerge in our lives, stories that must be psychologically and historically unraveled.



December 12, 2026 – “Holiday Celebration” – Members bring their writing to read. Tables are set up for members to sell or advertise their work (books, artwork, writing skills).



January 9, 2027 – “I Hear Voices: What Inspires the Next Story Idea? Character? Scene?”

Rebecca Barrett writes historical fiction, short stories of life in the South, a detective series set in the deep South of the sixties, and cozy mysteries starring Callahan, cat of the street, cat of mystery, artful, cagey.



February 13, 2027 – “I Am The One Singing”

Susan Chambers performs her prize winning poems.



March 13, 2027 – “Get Possessed with Writing: Boost Your Writing Time Even When You’re Not Working”

Carrie Dalby, the author of twenty books, shares tips on living a creative lifestyle and incorporating writing hacks into your daily world so your official writing time is more productive.



April 10, 2027 – “Building Better Metaphors”

Dive deep into metaphor with poet **Dr. Jessica Temple!** Through examples, determine what makes for a strong and effective metaphor, then play an interactive game to create your own. You’ll leave with a blueprint for building better metaphors in your own writing.



May 8, 2027 – “End-of-Season Celebration” – Members bring their writing to read. Tables are set up for members to sell or advertise their work (books, artwork, writing business).

*The November program will be held at the Fairhope Museum of History, 24 N. Section Street.