

## **WORDS IN THE WOODS: LAKESIDE**



**SCBWI – DOWNSTATE ILLINOIS - RETREAT 2010**

**Begins Friday, June 18 @ 11:30 am**

**Ends Sunday, June 20 @ 1:30 pm**

*Villa Maria, Lake Springfield, Illinois*

**Award Winning Author, Kathi Appelt**

**HarperCollins/Balzer & Bray Editor, Kristin Daly**

**Foundry Literary + Media Agent, Stephen Barbara**

Only 42 slots available

\$290 for SCBWI Members                      \$315 for Non Members  
Price includes food and lodging (double room w/private bath)

*Attendees will be assigned to groups of 5 to 6 people. Groups will exchange either a full picture book manuscript, or the first 25 pages of a larger manuscript. Groups will also meet in break-out sessions to work with speakers on specific elements in their manuscripts. Individual writing time is planned. A limited number of Professional Critiques will be available for an additional charge.*

*We are offering a full tuition scholarship, including a professional written critique, in memory of Becky Mabry, a skilled writer who came within a hair's breadth of publishing her middle grade novel. This scholarship is open to writers who have not yet published a work of fiction with a mainstream publisher. Click on the Scholarship PDF link below for more details.*

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RETREAT REGISTRATION  
June 18<sup>th</sup> – June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
Villa Maria, Lake Springfield, Illinois

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address (print clearly): \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate any physical or food accommodations: \* \_\_\_\_\_

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\* While we will do our best to accommodate special requests, we may not be able to meet all needs. If we are unable to meet your accommodations, we will contact you.

Roommate request: \_\_\_\_\_

**Professional Written Critique:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I want a Professional Written Critique by a featured speaker, and understand there is an additional and nonrefundable \$35.00 charge. A separate check for the critique fee must be included with registration. If you do not receive a professional critique spot, your critique check will be returned to you. Manuscripts are to be **postmarked NO LATER than March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010.** (Those past date will NOT be accepted, and attendee is still responsible for fee.) This is a written critique. Attendees with not meet with speakers for manuscript critiques.

All manuscripts are to be double-spaced, 12 point Times New Roman font.

**Picture Books** – ONE complete picture manuscript may be submitted.

**Novels** – Up to 20 pages, double-spaced, with a one page synopsis.

Speakers may use anonymous examples from critique submissions during their presentations. Please mark the box if you want to be exempt from this opportunity.

Are you applying for the Words in the Woods Becky Mabry 'Go for It' Scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want your registration withdrawn if you are not awarded the scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Group Critiques:** All attendees will be put in groups (5 or 6 per group.) Groups will exchange manuscripts (one PB or the first 25 pages of MG/YA with outline/synopsis.) They will also work together and with speakers within this group during the retreat. Please, indicate below the age group, and genre (mystery, contemporary, fantasy...) of the manuscript you'll submit to your group. Also include a one-sentence summary of your manuscript.

Critique group interest: Age group: \_\_\_\_\_ Genre: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence Summary: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please mark years you have been actively writing: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know an attendee that you would like to be paired with in session workshop groups? \_\_\_\_\_

**Prices:** \_\_\_\_\_ \$315 for non SCBWI members \_\_\_\_\_ \$290 for SCBWI members

**Registration:** Registrations may be postmarked beginning Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. *Retreat spaces and professional critique slots are limited.*

My check # \_\_\_\_\_ made out to SCBWI-IL is enclosed. *There are no refunds if unable to attend, unless spot is filled from waiting list. Mail completed registration form and check, beginning February 1<sup>st</sup> to:*

**Sara Latta, 1101 W. University Ave., Champaign IL 61821**

Note: Registrations postmarked prior to February 1<sup>st</sup> will not be accepted.

Please mark outside of envelope, "Words in the Woods Registration"

When retreat reaches full capacity, those who did not get a spot will be contacted with the choice of being placed on the waiting list, or having check returned to them.

For more information, contact Sara Latta at [saralatta@sbcglobal.net](mailto:saralatta@sbcglobal.net)

Retreat location website: <http://villa.dio.org/>

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