



HUNTER WRITERS CENTRE

Beginning Your Creative Writing Project

A workshop for school students undertaking Extension English

Beginning a major creative writing project is a daunting prospect. Students need to make decisions regarding the appropriate form or genre, and various models for narrative approach. The workshop will assist with this process as well as address questions of voice, stylistic devices, developing sustained skills in composition and identifying the readership or audience.

We will cover a range of topics for the young writer or student looking to initiate their project for the HSC.

Areas covered may include:

- Defining your identity as a writer, and exploring options to best nurture it
- Establishing a methodology for producing work
- Looking at alternative narrative structures
- Locating resources for your writing
- Removing obstacles to writing
- Evaluating and editing your work

The workshops will be tailored to suit the specific needs of the individual school. For example we can offer either a 2 hour lecture/talk, or a half/full day interactive practical workshop with exercises and evaluations.

The workshops will be conducted by Brian Joyce. He is an experienced and award winning writer who has worked professionally for some 25 years. He has written many successful plays and film scripts and been an assessor for both the Australia Council for the Arts Literature Committee and the NSW Ministry Theatre Committee. In his role as Director of the Hunter Writers Centre Brian works with many writers of all ages to developing their creative abilities via workshops and mentoring.

Support materials for schools workshop are provided for all participants.

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