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Creative & Business Opportunities at the Turner Cassity Writers Workshop!

Douglasville, Georgia – The Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/ Douglas County has just opened registrations for the Turner Cassity Writers Workshop, to be held on Saturday July 11th and Sunday, July 12th. Registrations can be made for both days or for Sunday only.

This 5th year of the Writers Workshop that honors poet and writer Turner Cassity, a native Mississippian who worked and lived in Georgia, is designed to help writers at all stages of their work. There will be creative workshops, business panels, individual critique sessions and comraderie aplenty.

Saturday features concurrent workshops, critique sessions, readings by participants, a keynote address and reception. Breakfast coffee and pastries and a box lunch are provided.

Sunday features author readings, a business panel discussion and Q&A, book signings and sales.

The full, two day workshop is \$40 per person (\$35 for CAC members) and Sunday's session is \$20 per person (\$15 CAC member).

"One of last year's participating authors, Janice Hardy, was so informative, inspirational and fun that we asked her back to be this year's Keynote Speaker," said Davina Grace Hill, Executive Director of the CAC. A teen fantasy author of several novels, Hardy will speak 'On Being a Writer' on Saturday evening.

Other participating authors leading workshops and critique sessions are Atlanta playwright Pamela Turner (topic: Having Your Monologue and Selling It, Too!); fiction short story writer Tony Burton (topic: Short & Sweet: Writing Flash Fiction); fiction and non-fiction writer Will Donnelly (topic: Creative Non-Fiction Workshop); and, Carrollton poet Amy Pence (topic: Poetry & Ekphrasis). Also conducting workshops will be Lee Culberson from 'Professional Mojo' (topic: Five Elements of Essential Digital Marketing for Authors).

Sunday's panel session will feature: literary agent, Sally Apokedak (topic: How to Get an Agent); editor, Ann Marie Lockhart (topic: Publishing); and copyright attorney Lee Morin (topic: Protecting Your Work).

The Turner Cassity Writers Workshop is made possible with the sponsorship of the University of West Georgia and from A Novel Idea. Attendance is limited so please register early.

The Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/ Douglas County, located at 8652 Campbellton Street in historic downtown Douglasville, Georgia, is open Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For

directions, more information, or to make your reservations, visit www.artsdouglas.org or contact the Cultural Arts Council at 770-949-2787.

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The mission of the Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville/Douglas County is to nurture, guide and stimulate the enjoyment of and participation in the arts among Douglas County residents by providing an atmosphere conducive to the arts, broadening the spectrum of quality exhibits and performances available to the community, and fostering individual interactions with the arts through a wide range of satellite groups. The programs and activities of the Cultural Arts Council are supported in part by the City of Douglasville and the Douglas County Board of Commissioners.