

## A DAY FOR WRITERS IN STEAMBOAT SPRINGS JULY 16-17, 2010

Our twenty-ninth annual event will provide a sharp focus within a short time frame. Novices and professionals alike will enjoy experiencing the day's program in the old Art Depot's relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Sponsored by the Steamboat Springs Arts Council and Writers Group, this year's conference features author Marilyn Krysl and poet Matthew Cooperman. Emcee Susan de Wardt will provide lighthearted continuity for a day of writing exploration. This year's conference includes a Friday evening 'Meet and Greet' social event followed by Ten Minutes of Fame led by author Cesare Rosati. Since the number of participants is limited, early registration is recommended.

### WORKSHOPS

**THE DIVINE DETAILS-- Marilyn Krysl** will talk about those damn details, falling in love with the music of language, writing as the perfect addiction, learning to wait like an idiot, the beauty of realism, magic realism, meta-fiction, satire, irony, and the courage to be bold. Marilyn Krysl will also review two pages from conference participants. Writing samples should be submitted in the body of an email (no attachments please) before July 3, 2010 to [susan@steamboatwriters.com](mailto:susan@steamboatwriters.com). Submissions will not be individually critiqued but used as background for discussion and for writing exercises.

**WHO YOU ARE IS WHERE YOU'VE BEEN: FINDING 'PLACE' IN YOUR WRITING- Matthew Cooperman**

Whether we write poetry, fiction or nonfiction, the fact of place animates our imagination and influences our writing. Who are we from? And where are we going? What is home and what's away? How can that place 'figure' as both subject and resistance? In-class writing exercises will explore these questions and charge people to acknowledge their 'ritual circuit.' Come to remember. Leave going nomad.

### INSTRUCTORS

**MARILYN KRYSL** is former Director of the Creative Writing Program at CU, Boulder. With numerous awards for her fiction and poetry, she has (in her own words) "written books, hung out with nurses, taught hundreds of students who brilliantly surpassed her, emptied bedpans at Mother Teresa's in Calcutta, accompanied human rights advocates in Sri Lanka, and taught Lost boys from Sudan America slang. While she awaits the day she'll forget her social security number, she admires clouds." Visit Marilyn online: [www.marilynkrysl.com](http://www.marilynkrysl.com)

**MATTHEW COOPERMAN** is the author of *DaZE* (Salt Publishing Ltd, 2006) and *A Sacrificial Zinc* (Pleiades/LSU, 2001), as well as three chapbooks, *Still: (to be) Perpetual* (Dove | Tail Poetry, 2007), *Words About James* (Phylum Press, 2005) and *Surge* (Kent State, 1998). Cooperman has worked as a chef, a roughneck, and a cloud wrangler. He currently teaches poetry and ecocriticism at Colorado State University, where he is Associate Professor of English, Director of Creative Writing, and Co-Poetry Editor of *Colorado Review*.

**TUITION:** \$60 per person / \$70 after May 15  
Covers pre-conference gathering, seminars and catered luncheon.

#### SCHEDULE: SATURDAY JULY 17

8:30 Check in at the Depot	12:00 Luncheon
9:00 Introduction, Susan de Wardt	1:00 to 3:15 Matthew Cooperman
9:30-11:45 Marilyn Krysl	3:30 to 4:15 Conclusion, Susan de Wardt

Participants are encouraged to submit written questions during the lunch hour.  
Then, before concluding, selected questions will be answered.

**BOOK SALES: 4:15**

**BROWSE TABLE** – conference participants are invited to bring a writing folder or samples of published work for display. All items are the responsibility of individual authors.

**REFUNDS:** 90% refund for written cancellations received prior to June 12;  
50% if received from June 12 through July 3; no refunds after July 3  
Additional information: SSAC, Box 774284, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477 (Attn: S. de Wardt)  
[www.steamboatwriters.com](http://www.steamboatwriters.com) call 970-879-8138 or E-mail: [susan@steamboatwriters.com](mailto:susan@steamboatwriters.com)

**MEET AND GREET APPETIZER SOCIAL: 6:00 P.M. FRIDAY, JULY 16**

Get acquainted with fellow writers; catch up on news, share success stories, or visit the browse table for a closer look at the work of conference attendees. This pre-conference gathering is **included** in the conference price. Spouses and partners may attend for an additional \$12.00 per person. Please, no children. A cash bar is available for the purchase of beer and wine.

**TEN MINUTES OF FAME: 7:15 P.M. FRIDAY, JULY 16**

An opportunity to share your work with the world happens at the Depot immediately following the Meet and Greet, under direction of Cesare Rosati, author of *Prairie Dogs PPL*. Reading time to be determined by number of participants. No additional fee. Open to all conference participants.

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Make checks payable to: **REGISTRATION**  
Steamboat Springs Arts Council  
Box 774284, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477 Attn: Writers Conference

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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**PAYMENT ENCLOSED**

tuition \_\_\_\_\_

Meet and Greet \_\_\_\_\_

@\$12/person for spouse/partner

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BIO REQUIRED - 50 WORD MAX**

send to: [mshfreiberger@cs.com](mailto:mshfreiberger@cs.com)

Note subject: conference bio

Please send bio at time of registration.  
If no email access, enclose bio with \$\$.