



the writers' circle

Looking through the Writer's "I" *-An introduction to Memoir*

Henry James once said that writers see things other people walk by. But writers of memoir look both outward and inward as they examine their place in the world. In this gathering of the Writers' Circle, we will explore the possibilities-and the perils-of personal narrative with an eye toward understanding the "I" in memoir. We will play with perspective as we consider what it means to be both the narrator and the main character of our stories. We will hone our powers of observation so we can accurately mirror our experiences on the page. And we will develop our capacity for introspection, through what is known as our third eye. By the end of the course, you can expect to have sharpened your vision and deepened your insight as you learn to look at your life through a writer's eye. There will be ample time for reading and writing, conversation and contemplation, in a safe and supportive circle of writers. Please bring a notebook and pen.

Beginner's welcome!

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where: YWCA of Bergen County, 112 Oak St., Ridgewood

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