

**NOVEMBER
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National Novel Writing Month

National Novel Writing Month (aka NaNoWriMo) is a 501c3 organization that believes your story matters and offers a fun approach to creative writing. Participants are encouraged to work towards a goal of writing 50,000 words during the month of November. Valuing enthusiasm, determination and a deadline, NaNoWriMo is for anyone who ever thought about writing a novel. For more information, visit nanowrimo.org/

Minuteman libraries are offering programs to provide inspiration and support!

October

Saturday, 10/21, 2 p.m. at Main Library in Cambridge, 449 Broadway – Author Insights are a series of 30 minute talks from local authors focused on the craft of Writing. Today will feature Whitney Scharer on “Historic Fiction.”

Monday, 10/23 – 6-7 p.m. at Robbins Library Community Room, 700 Mass Ave, Arlington - Come to our prep session with author and writing instructor Lynette Benton. She will help you prepare for the challenge (50,000 words in 30 days!), learn strategies for what to do (and what NOT to do), and discover resources that can help you. You will also learn about library resources, and you can pick up a free word count calendar and NaNoWriMo bookmark! Refreshments served. No registration required; open to teens and adults.

November

Wednesday, 11/1 - 2:30-6:30 p.m. at Somerville Public Library - Write In

Wednesday, 11/1 - 7-8:30 p.m. at Waltham Public Library - Kickoff Party

Wednesday, 11/1 - 7-9 p.m. at Newton Free Library - Write In

Wednesday 11/1, 11am-1 p.m. at Morse Institute, Natick - Kick off National Novel Writing Month at the Morse Institute Library with coffee, donuts and an author chat with Heidi Pitlor followed by our first write-in! Are you ready to write 50,000 words in 30 days? Bring your favorite writing gear with you and get a few hundred words closer to your goal!

Saturday, 11/4, 9-11 a.m. at Cary Memorial Library in Lexington - Write In

Saturday, 11/4, 2-2:30 p.m. at Main Library in Cambridge, 449 Broadway – Author Insights is a series of 30 minute talks from local authors focused on the craft of writing. This one features Stephanie Gayle on “Creating and Sustaining Suspense.”

Sunday, 11/5, 2-4 p.m. at Brookline Public Library, Coolidge Corner location - Write In

Tuesday, 11/7, 1-5 p.m. at Somerville Public Library - Write In

Wednesday, 11/8, 7-8 p.m. at Wayland Public Library – Author Panel Discussion featuring Jacqueline Dembar Greene, Juliette Fay, George Harrar, Tilia Klebenov Jacobs, Ray Daniel and Mark Peter Hughes. Get answers to your questions about writing and publishing!

Wednesday, 11/8 - 7-9 p.m. at Newton Free Library - Write In

Thursday 11/9, 7-9 p.m. at Morse Institute, Natick - Chat with author Laura Woollett at the Morse Institute Library, followed by our second National Novel Writing Month write-in. Bring your favorite writing gear with you and get a few hundred words closer to your 50,000-word goal!

Sunday, 11/12, 1-3 p.m. - Cary Memorial Library in Lexington - Writer's Group with authors Pam Moriarty and Mimi Aarens

Tuesday, 11/14, 1-5 p.m. at Somerville Public Library - Write In

Wednesday, 11/15 - 7-9 p.m. at Newton Free Library - Write In

Saturday 11/18, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Morse Institute, Natick - Chat with published NaNoWriMo author Jennifer S. Brown followed by our final National Novel Writing Month write-in! Bring your favorite writing gear with you and get a few hundred words closer to your 50,000-word goal!

Saturday, 11/18, 2-2:30 p.m. at the Main Library in Cambridge, 449 Broadway – Author Insights is a series of 30 minute talks from local authors focused on the craft of writing. This one will feature Louise Miller on “After NaNoWriMo: Making a Revision Plan.”

Tuesday, 11/21, 1-5 p.m. at Somerville Public Library - Write In

Wednesday, 11/22 - 7-9 p.m. at Newton Free Library - Write In

Saturday, 11/25, 9-11 a.m. at Cary Memorial Library in Lexington - Write In

Tuesday, 11/28, 1-5 p.m. at Somerville Public Library - Write In

Wednesday, 11/29 6-8 p.m. Brookline Public Library, Brookline Village location - Write In

Wednesday, 11/29 - 7-9 p.m. at Newton Free Library - Write In

Thursday 11/30, 7-9 p.m. at Morse Institute, Natick - Celebrate your National Novel Writing Month effort at the Morse Institute Library's wrap-up party! How close did you get to 50,000 words in 30 days? Compare word counts, talk about your next steps, and maybe share a page or two of your writing!

December

Saturday, 12/2 9-11 a.m. at Cary Memorial Library in Lexington – Writing Group with author Harvy Simkovitsh

Tuesday, 12/5 4-5 p.m. at Robbins Library Community Room, 700 Mass Ave, Arlington - So, you gave NaNoWriMo a shot! How did it go? Come share your experience with other participants, and share a writing sample if you want to. No registration required; open to teens and adults. Light refreshments.

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Saturday, 1/6, 9-11 a.m. at Cary Memorial Library in Lexington – Write In

Saturday, 2/3, 9-11 a.m. at Cary Memorial Library in Lexington - Write In

Saturday, 3/3, 9-11 a.m. at Cary Memorial Library in Lexington - Write In

Saturday, 4/7, 9-11 a.m. at Cary Memorial Library in Lexington - Write In

Saturday, 5/5 9-11 a.m. at Cary Memorial Library in Lexington - Write In

Contact individual libraries for more information or check out their websites.