

Poemcrazy Susan Woolldridge

A memoir-writing guide offers writing lessons and examples for those interested in putting their memories down on paper, explains the difference between remembering and imagining, and describes the language of truth.

"This is the first poetry collection is a knockout. It reveals the same keen intelligence and wry perspective he showed in his 2 memoirs, with an eloquent, unique style that lays bare the universal in the deeply personal. He can add gifted poet to his already impressive resume."--Bonnie Raitt. "Peter Coyote's poems are every bit as wonderful as his memoirs, rich and lively, sweet and perplexed, full of sorrow and laughter, love and lovers, soul and bodies, Zen and wild mother nature, truth, hope, disappointment, resurrection: ie. life with a capital L."-Anne Lamott"--

In this personal inspiring guide to a creative life, Woolldridge shares her own journey of the heart—from loss and grief to a return to wholeness and joy. Offering poetry exercises, journal writing, and other practices to encourage creative play—including foraging and assembling collages with found objects—Foolsgold. Making Something from Nothing and Freeing Your Creative Process will motivate you to reevaluate what's most important in your world. Through intimate stories about transforming what life brings your way, the book will help open your heart to photography, dance, gardening, cooking, songwriting, or poetry. Foolsgold includes dozens of suggestions to help you free the artist within by cultivating a creative lifestyle that will not only expand and inspire you but may also ground and heal you.

The author of Under the Tuscan Sun shares her passion for poetry in an intriguing handbook that takes readers inside the art of reading and writing poems, discussing basic terminology and writing techniques that range from texture and sound to rhyme and repetition, accompanied by a thought-provoking selection of poems that demonstrate the art of poetry. Original. 25,000 first printing.

Writing the Life Poetic

Reading, Writing, and Using Poetry in Your Daily Rituals, Aspirations, and Intentions

The Hidden Dance

When Women Were Birds

The New Comprehensive American Rhyming Dictionary

The Poetry Home Repair Manual

Reflections on Faith and Art

Describes the success of the Frederick Douglass Academy, a public school in Harlem created to provide high quality education to underprivileged students

Whether you are a writer or a reader, you want to explore poetry or memoir. Tiberghien's twelve fundamental lessons will help you discover and develop your own distinct voice. Tiberghien's inventive exercises focus on the processes unique to each genre, while also offering skills applicable to any kind of writing, from authentic dialogue to masterful short-stories. With vivid examples from literary masters such as Rainer Maria Rilke, Eduardo Galeano, May Sarton, Terry Tempest Williams, and Orhan Pamuk, *One Year to a Writing Life* is an essential guidebook of exercises, practical advice, and wisdom for anyone looking to embrace, explore, and implement creativity in everyday life.

Transformative Language Arts, an emerging field and profession, calls on us to use writing, storytelling, theater, music, expressive and other arts for social change, personal growth, and culture shift. In this landmark anthology, Transformative Language Artists share their stories, scholarship and practices for a more just and peaceful world, from a Hmong storyteller and spoken word artist weaving traditions with contemporary immigrant challenges in Philadelphia, to a playwright raising awareness of AIDS/HIV prevention. Read the stories, consider the questions raised, and find inspiration and tools in using words as a vehicle for transformation through essays on the challenge of dominant stories, public housing women writing for their lives, histories and communities at the margins, singing as political action, the convergence of theology and poetics, women's self-leadership, embodied writing, and healing the self, others, and nature through TL. The anthology also includes "snapshots," short features on transformative language artists who make their livings and lives working with people of all ages and backgrounds to speak their truths, and change their communities.

First published a decade ago, *A Writer's Book of Days* has become the ideal writing coach for thousands of writers. Newly revised, with new prompts, up-to-date Web resources, and more useful information than ever, this invaluable guide offers something for everyone looking to put pen to paper — a treasure trove of practical suggestions, expert advice, and powerful inspiration. Judy Reeves meets you wherever you may be on a given day with: • get-going prompts and advice • insight into writing blocks • tips and techniques for finding time and creating space • ways to find images and inspiration • advice on working in writing groups • suggestions, quips, and trivia from accomplished practitioners Reeves's holistic approach addresses every aspect of what makes creativity possible (and joyful) — the physical, emotional, and spiritual. And like a smart, empathetic inner mentor, she will help you make every day a writing day.

An Invitation to Read and Write Poetry

Freeing Your Life With Words

A Supportive and Practical Guide to Working Through Writer's Block

Shed Your Inhibitions and Craft a Compelling Memoir Or Personal Essay

A Field Guide to Reading and Writing Poems

On the Writing of Memoir

Poetry as Spiritual Practice

On March 13 1933 the luxury liner SS Etoile sets sail from Southampton en route for New York. England has finally emerged from the terrors of the Great War and yet the new optimism in Europe is tempered by the stirring of Hitler's National Socialists in Germany. Surely another war is unthinkable? On board the liner is Lily Sutton - a fragile but determined woman who is seeking to escape the brutality of her failed marriage, and begin life anew in America. During the five days at sea, Lily is caught between the world she leaves behind, with its attendant riches and position in society, and her new-found love, which has given her the strength and courage to be herself. Travelling in steerage so as not to attract attention, Lily is frustrated that her flight from England will be uncovered. But a new friendship makes the journey easier to bear...until an old enemy surfaces and Lily must do everything she can to protect those she loves most in the world.

"[When we read and write poetry,] it is as if a long-stilled cloud in our mind suddenly dissipates, and we are divine once again." -- from the Introduction Poetry is the language of devotion in prayer, chant, and song. Reading and writing poetry creates clarity, deepens and expands spiritual inquiry, and cultivates wisdom, compassion, self-confidence, patience, and love. In author Robert McDowell's words, poetry makes you into a tuning fork of the Divine. But poetry has disappeared over the centuries from religious ceremonies, academic curricula, and public discourse. In Poetry as Spiritual Practice, the first inspirational and instructional guide to combine poetry and spirituality, McDowell restores poetry as the natural language of spiritual practice and invites you to recognize poetry as "the pure sound and shape of your spirit." Vividly illustrated with a wide range of poems from all historical eras and poetic traditions, numerous religions and faiths, and McDowell's own poetry, Poetry as Spiritual Practice will reintroduce you to the unique pleasure of verse. And meditations throughout will allow you to integrate reading and writing poetry into your spiritual journeys and daily life. Since many of us have long forgotten, or never learned, the mechanics and terminology of poetry -- trochaic feet and tropes trip us up; we can't tell a villanelle from its shorter cousin, rondeau; and a terza rima may as well be a tanka -- this is also an instructional handbook on reading and writing poetry. An engaging guide through the landscape of world poetry, McDowell argues along the way for the many practical benefits of poetic literacy. Making poetry an essential part of daily rituals, aspirations, and intentions will put you on the path to greater meaning, growth, and peace in your life. At once an engaging technical primer, a profound meditation on the relationship between poetry and the Divine, and an inspirational guide for integrating poetry into spiritual practice, Poetry as Spiritual Practice will become a cherished companion.

A collection of award winning poetry by David Holger that walks with us on the bridge from the depths of darkness behind to the greater darkness ahead.

What makes a good story? The vast majority of writers begin the storytelling process with only a partial understanding where to begin. Some labor their entire lives without ever learning that successful stories are as dependent upon good engineering as they are artistry. But the truth is, unless you are master of the form, function and criteria of successful storytelling, sitting down and pounding out a first draft without planning is an ineffective way to begin. Story Engineering starts with the criteria and the architecture of storytelling, the engineering and design of a story--and uses it as the basis for narrative. The greatest potential of any story is found in the way six specific aspects of storytelling combine and empower each other on the page. When rendered artfully, they become a sun in excess of their parts. You'll learn to wrap your head around the big pictures of storytelling at a professional level through a new approach that shows how to combine these six core competencies which include:
• Four elemental competencies of concept, character, theme, and story structure (plot)
• Two executional competencies of scene construction and writing voice--The true magic of storytelling happens when these six core competencies work together in perfect harmony. And the best part? Anyone can do it!

Twelve Lessons to Deepen Every Writer's Art and Craft

The Insider's Guide to Parking in San Francisco

Those Who Ride the Night Winds

Seeds of Inspiration for Women Who Write

Inner Excavation

Cha-Ching!

Leadership Lessons From Inside And Outside The Classroom

Express the art within you There are clues all around you--sounds, textures, memories, passions--just waiting for you to shine a light on them, and unearth the most intimate form of expression--the self-portrait. Inside Inner Excavation, author Liz Lamoreux will be your guide, along with eleven inspiring artists, as you discover more about who you are, how you got here and where you wish to go. Prompts and exercises will show you how to express who you are through the photos you take, the words you write and the art you create. Find encouragement and fresh ideas in these pages as you: Uncover prompts to use your senses for exploring and capturing where you are in any particular moment. Tap into the poet's voice that's whispering inside of you, even if you've never written poetry before. Be given permission to spend time "Delving into the Quiet," being still and listening to the mindful voice inside of you through meditation to create a balance in your daily moments. Bring words and art together in self-portrait expression that is as layered as you are. Take a fresh look inside today; become inspired, through Inner Excavation, to see more than the smiling reflection in the mirror.

The essential companion for any fan--a collection of stories, musings, puzzles, and games based on Hollywood actor and otherworldly icon Goldblum as he (and alternate versions of himself) travels through the known (and unknown) universe in a mighty celebration of weird and wonderful Goldblumness.ness.

Theo, our scruffy, big-hearted, and quick-witted heroine, is not so much down on her luck as delivered luckless into a culture where the winners and losers have already been decided. Her adventures in getting over take her from San Francisco to New York City, from dyke bars to telemarketing outfits, casinos to free clinics. With the signature poet's voice that has won her awards and acclaim, Ali Liebegott investigates the conjoined hearts of hope and addiction in an unforgettable story of what it means to be young and broke in America. "...Frank, funny and painfully realistic.Liebegott has unleashed a book that's part road novel, part portrait of a would-be artist as a young woman and part unabashed romance."--Josh Davis, The Rumpus "Cha-Ching!, [Liebegott's] latest novel, is one of those books that cause you to look up, blinking, realizing that you've read 75 pages and your coffee is cold. It's a story of hitting the road, impulsive road trips, liquor-fueled make-out sessions, and the sort of low-end jobs that are invisible in most fiction but everywhere in Liebegott's work."--San Francisco Magazine "Cha-Ching! is a rush--the clatter of youth on the angry move, the rattling of dreamy gambles in crappy apartments, the desperate crash of falling for someone despite the million reasons why and the bang! bang! bang! of our tender hearts."--Daniel Handler, author of Why We Broke Up "Cha-Ching! is so raw with need that I found myself itching that addict's itch to chase the seemingly impossible."--Karolina MacLacivak, deputy editor of The Believer and author of How to Get Into the Twin Palms "An open-hearted, deeply romantic story about a fucked-up dyke, her pit bull, her search for love, her tenuous grasp on hope, a pretty girl and the literal spin of the wheel."--Sarah Schulman, author of The Gentrification of the Mind: Writke up a Lost Imagination "In the game of American-life-on-the-go hopscotch, Ali Liebegott's heroine Theo just jumped a square ahead of Dean Moriarty.The author's fine writing about gambling is as good as I ever read, including Dostoevski's and the Barthelme Bros. In the end, love, in whatever twisted, pallid form, a love that has little to do with sexuality, is the only answer.Wonderful book."--Andrei Codrescu, author of So Recently Rent a World: New and Selected Poems "[All] Liebegott continues [her] winning streak with her third novel Cha-Ching!, tracing the life and times of compelling lead character Theo, a restless lesbian with a military hairstyle (which makes her gender-ambiguous enough to nickname herself "sirma'amsir").There is a lot to relate to in Liebegott's cleverly addictive novel. Readers will wonder what happens next to Theo and Cary Grant. Will the love she finds be everlasting, or will her addictions get the best of her? Theo is an engaging character, and she will linger in the imagination long after Cha-Ching!'s final page has been turned."--Jim Piechota, The Bay Area Reporter Ali Liebegott is the author of the award-winning books The Beautifully Worthless and The IHOP Papers. In 2010 she took a train trip across America interviewing female poets for a project titled, The Heart Has Many Doors; excerpts from these interviews are posted monthly on The Believer Logger. Her novel Cha-Ching! is the third in the City Lights/Sister Spit series. In addition, she is the founding editor at Writers Among Artists whose first publication, Faggot Dinosaur, was released in 2012.

The author of the memoir Refuge offers a meditation on the meaning of a strange legacy that her mother left her--three shelves of the elder woman's "journals," all discovered by the author after her mother's death to be empty.

Practical Advice for Beginning Poets

Adventures of Jeff Goldblum Across the Known (and Unknown) Universe

Naked, Drunk, and Writing

Writing Poetry from the Inside Out

The Math Campers

Creativity and the Transforming Illness

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A father and husband's meditation on love, adolescence, and the mysterious mechanisms of poetic creation, from the acclaimed poet. The poet's art is revealed in stages in this "making-of" book, where we watch as poems take shape--first as dreams or memories, then as drafts, and finally as completed works set loose on the world. In the long poem "Must We Mean What We Say," a woman reader narrates in prose the circumstances behind poems and snippets of poems she receives in letters from a stranger. Who made up whom? Chiasson, an acclaimed poetry critic, has invented a remarkable structure where the reader and a poet speak to one another, across the void of silence and mystery. He is also the father of teenaged sons, and this volume continues the autobiographical arc of his prior, celebrated volumes. One long section is about the age of thirteen and the dawning of desire, while the title poem looks at the crucial age of fifteen and the existential threat of climate change and gun violence, which alters the calculus of adolescence. Though the outlook is bleak, these poems register the glories of our moment: that there are places where boys can kiss each other and not be afraid; that small communities are rousing and taking care of each other; that teenagers have mobilized for a better world. All of these works emerge from the secretive imagination of a father who has adolescence against that of his sons and explores the complex bedrock of marriage. Chiasson sees a perilous world both navigated and enriched by the passionate young and by the parents--and poets--who care for them.

Stoners and Self-Appointed Saints is a collection of prose-poetry. It is a kind of memoir, a life story told by accretion. It is a collection of voices, some funny, some dark, some wise and some foolish. It is a collection of vivid portraits of the strange, silly, and troubled people and places in an artist's life and mind.

Poetry. "Susan Woolldridge's poems arrive breathless with the wonder and power of language, drenched in the magic of the natural world, and touched with mysticism. With one foot grounded in humor and the other in awe, she takes on topics ranging from driving a car full of vegetables to the eros of geese, but her true subject is always the mysterious intersection of the human and what lies beyond our power to describe"--Alison Luterman. Susan Woolldridge's previous book is titled Poemcrazy: Freeing Your Life With Words (Clarkson Putter, 1996). She curently lives in Chico, California.

Being Animal

The Goldblum Variations

Stoners and Self-Appointed Saints

Poemcrazy

The Bridge

When Walls Become Doorways

Walking on Water

Simple ways to a fuller and more vibrant existence, drawn from the Taoist tradition and shaped to fit our modern lives. Relax. You 're Already Home explores how we can enrich our lives in modern America by incorporating simple habits discovered in the Taoist tradition. We don't have to dramatically reshape our lives or perform time-consuming rituals like meditation, kung fu, or breathing practices. Dr. Raymond Barnett instead shows how we can focus on basic daily Taoist habits through activities like going to the park, gardening, or enjoying a cup of tea. He even helps us create our own rituals around holidays, saints, historical figures or events, or anything else that resonates with us. This warm and accessible book is ideal for anyone whose life seems too fast and complicated, as well as for those who are interested in Eastern religions but don 't have the time or inclination to take up esoteric practices. Complete with " interactives " that suggest exercises and probing questions, Relax, You're Already Home is a perfect primer for Taoism and a philosophy in its own right.

Essays by the author offer a glimpse into the process of creating poetry

Original Writing. Literary Criticism. Essays. PINOY POETICS is a collection of poetics essays (with sample poems) representing over 40 poets of Filipino heritage who speak onbehalf of themselves, ancestors and peers who have been historically ignored by U.S. literary, cultural, and academic institutions. These essays show what is unique to Filipino poetics, including responses to American imperialism, the postcolonial and diasporic Filipino experience, questions about historical narrative, and the uses and abuses of language imposed by colonizers. Public and academic libraries, as well as personal collections with interests in Poetry, Creative Writing, Asian American Studies, Cultural Studies, Ethnic Studies, Identity Poetics, Filipino American Literature, and Philippine Literature will find this book indispensable.

None of us is immune to writer's block. From well-known novelists to students, associates in business and law firms, and even those who struggle to sit down to write personal correspondence or journal entries - everyone who writes has experienced either brief moments or longer periods when the words simply won't come. In Unstuck, poet, author and writing coach Jane Anne Staw uncovers the reasons we get blocked - from practical to emotional, and many in between - and offers powerful ways to get writing again. Based on her experiences working with writers as well as her own struggle with writer's block, Staw provides comfort and encouragement, along with effective strategies for working through this common yet vexing problem. Topics include: understanding what's behind the block " handling anxiety and fear " carving out time and space to write " clearing out old beliefs and doubts " techniques to relax and begin " managing your expectations as well as those of family and friends " experimenting with genre, voice, and subject matter " defusing the emotional traps that sabotage progress and success " ending the struggle and regaining confidence and freedom by finding your true voice - and using it. Writers of all levels will find solace, support, and help in this book, leading them to an even deeper connection with their work and more productivity on the page.

The Discovery of Poetry

Bathing with Ants

Fifty-four Variations on Voice

Pinoy Poetics

Unstuck

Finding Your Voice Through the Craft of Poetry

Transformative Language Arts in Action

Writing Poetry for Everyday Life & break;& break;"Poetry is just the evidence of life," says Leonard Cohen. "If your life is burning well, poetry is just the ash." & break;& break;You don't need an advanced degree to reap the rewards of a rich poetic life--writing poetry is within the reach of everyone. Poet Sage Cohen invites you to slow down to the rhythms of your creative process and savor poetry by: & break;& break; Offering explorations of the poetic life and craft & break; Inspiring a feeling of play instead of laborious study& break; Weaving together lessons in content, form, and process to provide a fun and engaging experience& break; Inviting you to add poetry to your creative repertoire & break;& break;Writing the Life Poetic is the inspirational companion you've been looking for to help you build confidence in your poetic voice. It takes poetry from its academic pedestal and puts it back into the hands of the people. & break;& break;Join the conversation with other poets at: www.writingthelifepoetic.typepad.com.

Nikki Giovanni, long known as "the Princess of Black Poetry," dedicates *Those Who Ride the Night Winds* to "the day trippers and midnight cowboys," the ones who have devoted their lives to pushing the limits of the human condition and who have shattered the constraints of the status quo to live life as a "marvelous, transitory adventure." Included are poems about John Lennon, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Robert Kennedy, as well as friends, lovers, mothers, and the poet herself. With reverence for the ordinary and in search of the extraordinary, *Those Who Ride the Night Winds* is Nikki Giovanni's most accessible collection ever. She displays her passion for and connectedness to the people and places that touch her. The reissue of Nikki Giovanni's seminal 1984 collection will once again enchant those who have always loved her poems--and those who are just getting to know her work. As a witness to three generations, Nikki Giovanni has perceptively and poetically recorded her observations of both the outside world and the gentle yet enigmatic territory of the self. When her poems first emerged from the civil rights and Black Power movements in the late 1960s, she immediately became a celebrated and controversial figure. Written in one of the most commanding voices to grace America's political and poetic landscape at the end of the twentieth century, Nikki Giovanni's poems embody the fearless passion and spirited wit for which she is beloved and revered. Nikki Giovanni is our most widely read living black poet, and in her most accessible collection to date, we become aware of the poet as a human being we can relate to, someone affected by and concerned with events. The title of this collection refers to people who have tried to make changes, people who have gone against the tide, people who were unafraid to test their wings. Included are poems about John Lennon, Billie Jean King, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Robert Kennedy. There are poems about friends, lovers, mothers, and about the poet herself. Long known as the "Princess of Black Poetry," Nikki Giovanni is as alive and vibrant as ever. Her many readers will find once again in this collection the warmth, wit, passion, and caring about people that have always distinguished her work. Strong, direct, tremendously energetic, visionary, vulnerable, and real, these poems reveal a great spirit among us; a woman in her human dimension; a person all readers can identify with and believe in.

In this classic book, Madeleine L'Engle addresses the questions, What makes art Christian? What does it mean to be a Christian artist? What is the relationship between faith and art? Through L'Engle's beautiful and insightful essay, readers will find themselves called to what the author views as the prime tasks of an artist: to listen, to remain aware, and to respond to creation through one's own art.

A love for wild nature suffuses this beautiful collection. Poetry can serve no more important purpose than to rekindle our love of those who are wild. -Derrick Jensen, author of /i>A Language Older than Words and Endgame Terri Glass celebrates, grieves and finally embodies the hearts of animals in love poems that playfully and urgently encourage us to become all of who we are. Glass challenges us to enter our bodies like a bee that "drops / into a poppy's cup." "What part of you . . . kills the flight of your imagination?" we are asked. Where do humans falter when we separate ourselves from the wild? Here animals become a metaphor for seeing new ways of being. Glass emerges in one poem as an owl, wanting "to see in the dark, be the dark, be inside out / blackness," wanting all her thoughts to dissolve. Dive into the wonderful poems of Being Animal, a book that may well become a classic. Expect to be changed. -Susan Goldsmith Woolldridge, author of poemcrazy: freeing your life with words By turns exuberant and down to earth, humorous and deadly serious, Terri Glass' s poems are all sharply observant of the natural world and human experience. These are wide-open windows on nature, framed with steady artistry. You feel the breezes of summer on your face, and breathe the rich scents of grasses and shorelines. Just when you think nothing much is happening, everything comes clear. I'm most taken by the creatures that make Being Animal their home. From the grace of "Violet Green Swallows," to the tidal tragedy of "Sea Stars," to archetypal "Snake Woman," here is a totemic menagerie that invites your own imagination to evolve new ways of inhabiting a once-familiar world.-William Carney, author of Mountain, an Evolutionary Epic

A Guide for Teens, Teachers, and Writers of All Ages

Story Engineering

Poems for the School Year with Connections to the Common Core, K-5 Edition

Exploring Your Self Through Photography, Poetry and Mixed Media

Relax, You're Already Home

The Poetry Friday Anthology

One Year to a Writing Life

Now updated for 2015! The best, most comprehensive guide for writers is now revised and updated, with new sections on ebooks, self-publishing, crowd-funding through Kickstarter, blogging, increasing visibility via online marketing, micropublishing, the power of social media and author websites, and more-making The Essential Guide to Getting Your Book Published more vital than ever for anyone who wants to mine that great idea and turn it into a successfully published book. Written by experts with twenty-five books between them as well as many years' experience as a literary agent (Eckstut) and a book doctor (Sterry), this nuts-and-bolts guide demystifies every step of the publishing process: how to come up with a blockbuster title, create a selling proposal, find the right agent, understand a book contract, and develop marketing and publicity savvy. Includes interviews with hundreds of publishing insiders and authors, including Seth Godin, Neil Gaiman, Amy Bloom, Margaret Atwood, Leonard Lopate, plus agents, editors, and booksellers; sidebars featuring real-life publishing success stories; sample proposals, query letters, and an entirely updated resources and publishers directory.

In Writing Poetry from the Inside Out, poet and national poetry workshop leader, Sandford Lyne, offers the writing exercises, guidance, and encouragement you need to find the poet inside you. Lyne's techniques, which he developed through twenty years of teaching poetry workshops, flow from an understanding that poetry is an art form open to everyone. We all can-and should-write poetry. In this enchanting and inspiring volume, Lyne will introduce you to the pleasures and surprises of writing poetry, and his methods and insights will help you tap into your own unique voice and perspective to compose poems of your own in as little as a few minutes. Whether you are an experienced writer looking for new techniques and sources of inspiration or a novice poet who has never written a poem in your life, Writing Poetry from the Inside Out will help you to craft the poems you've always longed to write.

Of all the characters in myths and legends told around the world, it's the wily trickster who provides the real spark in the action, causing trouble wherever he goes. This figure shows up time and again in Native American folklore, where he takes many forms, from the irascible Coyote of the Southwest, to Iktomi, the amorphous spider man of the Lakota tribe. This dazzling collection of American Indian trickster tales, compiled by an eminent anthropologist and a master storyteller, serves as the perfect companion to their previous masterwork, American Indian Myths and Legends. American Indian Trickster Tales includes more than one hundred stories from sixty tribes--many recorded from living storytellers--which are illustrated with lively and evocative drawings. These entertaining tales can be read aloud and enjoyed by readers of any age, and will entrance folklorists, anthropologists, and fans of both Joseph Campbell and the Brothers Grimm.

Song of Six Rivers is a book-length poem memorializing the Humboldt Bay/Six Rivers area. The book takes a bioregional approach to the geography and history of the Humboldt environs. It addresses why we are here as human beings and, more personally, the author's own journey as a poet and teacher of poetry. The book contains images from the HSU Humboldt Room and local photographers that capture that stunning beauty of Humboldt County.

The Essential Guide to Getting Your Book Published

Poems

Handling the Truth

A Writer's Book of Days

Fruitflesh

Making Something from Nothing and Freeing Your Creative Process

A Spirited Companion and Lively Muse for the Writing Life

A visual artist draws on the experiences of such noted artists as Georgia O'Keeffe, Frida Kahlo, Leonardo da Vinci, and Michelangelo to explain how individuals can draw on the transformative power of illness to enhance creativity and productivity that can help heal the soul. 15,000 first printing.

"Join Heller on her quest to help save the world, one poet at a time." – from the foreword by Susan G. Wooldridge Write a Poem, Save Your Life helps writers of all ages and experience levels navigate their way through all aspects of life. With writing prompts, tools, encouragement, and moving student examples, Meredith Heller gently guides us in the art of using poetry to figure out who we are and what matters to us and to heal the deeper issues many of us face, such as depression, addiction, health and body image issues, low self-esteem, trauma, gender and sexual identity issues, and home and family problems. Along the way, we learn that writing poems helps us believe in ourselves, make positive life choices, and find direction, purpose, and meaning.

Following the success of several recent inspirational and practical books for would-be writers, Poemcrazy is a perfect guide for everyone who ever wanted to write a poem but was afraid to try. Writing workshop leader Susan Wooldridge shows how to think, use one's senses, and practice exercises that will make poems more likely to happen.

Recently appointed as the new U. S. Poet Laureate, Ted Kooser has been writing and publishing poetry for more than forty years. In the pages of The Poetry Home Repair Manual, Kooser brings those decades of experience to bear. Here are tools and insights, the instructions (and warnings against instructions) that poets-aspiring or practicing-can use to hone their craft, perhaps into art. Using examples from his own rich literary oeuvre and from the work of a number of successful contemporary poets, the author schools us in the critical relationship between poet and reader, which is fundamental to what Kooser believes is poetry's ultimate purpose: to reach other people and touch their hearts. Much more than a guidebook to writing and revising poems, this manual has all the comforts and merits of a long and enlightening conversation with a wise and patient old friend—a friend who is willing to share everything he's learned about the art he's spent a lifetime learning to execute so well.

Finding the Sweet Spot

Tongue of a Crow

Write a Poem, Save Your Life

How to Write It, Sell It, and Market It . . . Successfully

A Collection of Autobiographical and Critical Essays on Filipino and Filipino American Poetics

Freeing Your Life with Words

Nothing's Impossible

"A guide that shows writers how to create a compelling memoir or personal essay, with advice on structure, technique, revision, publication, and conquering writer's block"—Provided by publisher.

Get Your Creative Juices Flowing A sumptuous, sensuous writing guide from the author of the award-winning The Book of Dead Birds

Lists words and their possible rhymes, arranged alphabetically in reversed spelling

Foolsgold

American Indian Trickster Tales

Song of Six Rivers