**VANCOUVER VOLUNTEER FACILITATOR APPLICATION**

Hello!

Thank you for your interest in becoming a **Writers Collective of Canada (WCC)** workshop facilitator! Your contribution will strengthen the WCC chapter in Vancouver and the Lower Mainland. Your participation will ignite voice, free unheard stories, and celebrate magnificent and undiscovered creative genius.

WCC also has chapters in Toronto, Peel, Montreal, and Ottawa which extend opportunity, dignity, and respect to everyone who wishes to write, inclusive of race, ethnicity, class, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, physical ability, and mental health. Through your volunteerism, WCC will broaden its reach and impact, transforming lives in Vancouver through writing together.

Our extensive training program will support your volunteer workshop facilitator journey. We ask that **all Facilitator candidates please:**

1. Read “Why We Write”, our latest chapbook that summarizes the impact of our WCC program. A copy of *Why We Write* will be provided to you before training begins.
2. Attend at least two (we hope more!) virtual workshops before training. Please review the WCC workshop calendar at [www.wcc-cec.org/workshops](http://www.wcc-cec.org/workshops) to register on-line.
3. Complete the full weekend of training. (This is mandatory).

We encourage reading [***Writing Alone and with Others***](https://www.amazon.ca/Writing-Alone-Others-Pat-Schneider/dp/019516573X) by Pat Schneider, an invaluable resource that provides the core values and structure of what we do. Order online or through your local bookstore or library!

**The training session will take place from Friday through Sunday:
Virtual (Zoom): Friday evening,** January 17th **On-site (IRL): All day Saturday and Sunday,** January 18th and 19th, **2025.**

Hours and location will be confirmed.

Thank you for your interest in touching lives through the power of words! Please, answer each of the questions as fully and concisely as possible. Feel free to attach additional pages as necessary.

Name: Pronouns:

Email:

Telephone: Day: Evening:

Preferred mode of communication: \_\_Email \_\_Phone \_\_Text Other (please specify)

Full Mailing Address: Postal Code:

Main intersection:

Are you over 21 years old? \_\_Yes \_\_No

Are you willing to have a Police Reference check? \_\_Yes \_\_No

Approx. how far are you willing to travel to facilitate on-site (i.e. 1 hr. by public transit)?

When are you **available** to facilitate a workshop? X= Yes. Please specify your available hours.

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|  | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
| Morning |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Afternoon |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evening |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

 Are you away in the Winter or Spring? Are you away in the Summer or Fall?

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| Dates (Approx.): | Dates (Approx.): |

Describe the role creative writing plays in your life.

Briefly describe any previous volunteer and/or social service experience you have had.

What experience have you had in writing workshops as a participant and/or as a facilitator?

WCC focuses on deep, exploratory, brave writing. Are you comfortable writing in a confidential setting and in a courageous way about your family, scars, or secrets?

Please list any Organizations or Agencies you are affiliated with (if any) that you are interested in providing workshops for, and describe your association with them. *(This question bears no weight in considering your application)*

Please see below to sign and date this application.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**An electronic signature is acceptable.**

If there is anything else you would like us to know about you, please attach a note with this application**.**

Thank you.

**Please email your completed application to:** **contact@wcc-cec.org**