

## ARTS ON THE LAKE TO INAUGURATE WRITERS' GROUP FOR AREA WRITERS

Arts on the Lake is inaugurating a Writers' Group for those who write novels, short stories, memoir, and non-fiction and are interested in meeting monthly for a roundtable sharing/critique of their work in a friendly, supportive setting.

To be called Lake Writers, the first meeting will be Wednesday, May 2, 7 pm at Arts on the Lake, 640 Route 52, Kent Lakes, NY. It is expected to continue to meet on the first Wednesday of each month thereafter.

The group leader will be Tom Kersting, Arts on the Lake member and published writer who has 40 years experience teaching writing in area high schools and colleges. His blog may be accessed at www.thomasdkersting.com.

"Writing is such an isolated act," Kersting says, "so it's sometimes immensely helpful for writers to have responses to their work in progress and to share their perspectives on the writing process."

Arts on the Lake Executive Director James Shearwood has said, "There are similar writing groups farther north and south, but we expect this new group to meet a need in this area."

Writers planning to participate in Lake Writers should register by emailing writers@artsonthelake.org or leaving a message at (845)228-2685. There are no fees for joining other than an annual membership donation to Arts on the Lake.

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