

## OREGON READING ASSOCIATION

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# **Summer Writing Institute** with

# Megan Sloan

August 16, 2012 8:30-3:30 Eugene Hilton

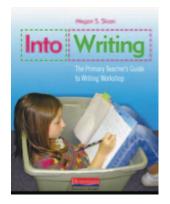
66 E. 6th Avenue-Downtown Eugene, Oregon

The idea for *Into Writing* began with teachers' questions about writing workshop. I decided to try to answer these questions—not as an expert, but as a teacher in the trenches, just like many of you.

~ Megan Sloan

#### Awakening the Writer in Every Child: Teaching Students to Find Their Voices and

#### Become Successful Writers in the Writing Workshop

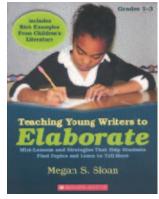


This presentation will focus on how to facilitate an effective Writing Workshop. Everything from setting the tone to holding effective writing conferences, as well as managing the workshop, will be introduced. Ideas for mini-lessons using modeled and shared writing will be presented. Lessons to help student writers choose topics, find their voices, write with a sense of purpose and audience, elaborate on ideas, and use interesting language in their writing will be shared. The use of mentor texts as an integral part of lessons will be emphasized and student samples, from emergent to competent writers, will be shared. Focus on

the Common Core State Standards at each grade level will be included and genres such as narrative, nonfic-

tion expository, opinion, poetry, and explanatory writing will be included in lesson ideas. Revision and editing will also be addressed as it pertains to different grade levels. Time will be given to reflect on your own writing experience, as well as your teaching of writing.

As a teacher at Cathcart Elementary School in Washington, Megan Sloan, wrote *Into Writing* to help elementary teachers how to set up and sustain a writing workshop. This flexible and powerful framework can help all developing writers meet expectations. Even very young children can learn a repertoire of elaboration techniques to take their writing from bland to exciting. In *Teaching Young Writers to Elaborate*,



**Registration by June 15th – \$95** (\$120 non-members) **Registration after June 15th – \$115** (\$140 nonmembers)

Register Early as Seating is Limited to 150

Target Audience: K-8 educators, Title I staff, Literacy

Coaches, administrators

One PSU graduate credit available: Contact Carol

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Megan shares the mini-lessons and strategies she created to teach children how to develop their writing by adding definitions, asking questions, using visualizations, and lots more. To illustrate each technique, she's included examples from quality children's literature. The strategies and lessons shared in this workshop can be used for teaching nonfiction and fiction during shared, guided, and independent writing.



### **ORA Summer Writing Institute**

### Thursday, August 16, 2012 Hilton Eugene & Conference Center

Summer Institute Registration Form		
Early Bird Registration Fee (Before June 15th)		
Member	\$ 95	\$
Non-Member	\$120	\$
Standard Registration Fee (After June 15th)		
Member \$115 \$		
Non-Member \$140\$		
One PSU graduate credit available with extra cost, time and work. For more information, contact Carol Brown: carolb@peak.org Credit participants must meet post-institute from 3:30-5:30		Payment Options  ~ Send check or PO to address below, or
	nis address will be used for your confirmation  Last Name	~ Visit www.oregonread.org and pay with PayPal (or your credit cart using PayPal)
Home Address	Phone	NO Refunds After August 1st
City	State Zip School	Make checks payable to ORA Mail registration form to: Summer Writing Institute Registrar P.O. Box 12 Maupin, OR 97037

# Make this Institute part of ORA's year-long study of effective literacy practices. Mark your calendar!

August 16, 2012: Summer Writing Institute–Eugene for Grades K-5

September–May: Local Council Book Studies and Professional Conversations

Fall/Winter/Spring: **ORA Newsletter**, the ORAcle, for conversation, ideas, research, upcoming

events, and much more.

October 12, 2012 Local Council Mini-Conferences

November 1, 2012 Fall Institute with Kim Hill Campbell in Portland for Grades 4-12

February 8-9, 2013 **ORA Winter Institute**—Portland for all grades

Featured speakers: Lori Ozckus (K-5) and Harvey "Smokey" Daniels (5-12)