

# JOIN US for Write Now! 2026

A one-day conference for writers  
presented by Triangle Association of Freelancers featuring:



## Newbery Award Winner Meg Medina



Fiction Keynote  
*"Writing for Young People  
in Times of Turmoil"*

## NYT Bestselling Author Molly Guptill Manning



Nonfiction Keynote  
*"Lessons from Wartime Writers:  
Truth Telling Under Pressure"*



## No matter your writing genre, there's an informative session for you!

- ★ "Crafting Emotion on Purpose" (**Karin Wiberg**)
- ★ "Searching for Needles in Haystacks: Adventures in Researching" (**Molly Guptill Manning**)
- ★ "Writing for Harlequin: A Romance Panel" (**Kianna Alexander, Karen Booth, and Deborah Fletcher Mello**)
- ★ "50 Years a Writer: 10 Career Lessons From the Freelance Trenches" (**Don Vaughan**)
- ★ "Negotiating Your Publishing Agreement: Keeping a Watchful Eye" (**Mitch Tuchman**)
- ★ "Shadow Writing: How to Write When You Can't" (**Rita Lewis**)
- ★ "Writing Personal Truths That Resonate" (**Sarah Merritt Ryan**)
- ★ "The Way In and the Way Out: A Blueprint for Writing Children's Literature" (**Meg Medina**)

**When:** Saturday, May 16, 2026  
**Where:** The McKimmon Center at North Carolina State University  
1101 Gorman Street, Raleigh, NC  
**Time:** 8 a.m. (doors open) to 4:15 p.m.  
**Cost:** \$109 (Feb. 1 – Apr. 15); \$119 (Apr. 16 – 5pm on May 15);  
and \$125 for walk-in on day-of (\$60 for TAF members)

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Bird Registration

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*"Everyone that goes there, walks out of there with something new."*  
—Mike Rumble

*"When you sit down at a table, and other writers join in, it's always  
magic."*  
—Arlene Bice



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