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Defiance library, Dr. M.C. Harper to host Writers' Workshop

[DEFIANCE] – November is National Novel Writing Month, challenging writers everywhere to pen a 50,000-word novel in 30 days.

To celebrate, Defiance Public Library will host “Let’s Get Inspired: A Writing Workshop,” led by Dr. Mary Catherine (M.C.) Harper, Professor Emerita of English and Humanities, Defiance College. The workshop will take place Nov. 16 beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Fiction Wing at Defiance Public Library, 320 Fort St.

Space is limited; those age 18 and up can register for the free workshop at defiancelibrary.org/write or by calling 419-782-1456.

Harper, a 2018 Ohio Arts Council Individual Excellence Award winner, was selected as the 2019 Ohio Arts Council Poetry Resident at the Fine Arts Work Center of Cape Cod. She co-organizes the yearly *SwampFire Retreat* (swampfire.org) for artists and writers at *4 Corners Gallery* in Angola, Ind.

She is a two-time winner of the Gwendolyn Brooks Poetry Prize, for “Muddy World” and “Imagining Life As a Graffiti Artist,” and her poetry has appeared in numerous journals, including *The Comstock Review*, *Cold Mountain Review*, *Pudding Magazine*, *New England Review*, *SLAB*, *MidAmerica*, *Tanka Journal*, *The Spectacle*, *Print-Oriented Bastards*, *Sheila-Na-Gig*, and *The Offbeat*. Her *Some Gods Don’t Need Saints* chapbook was published in 2016. Her 111-poem collection *The Found Object Imagines a Life: New and Selected Poems* is forthcoming from Cornerstone Press. See marycatherineharper.org for more information.