



# February 2016 Workshops Calendar

To sign up, pick up a registration form at **3035 Washington St.**, call **617.442.5400**, or email **info@826boston.org**

## Tuesday, February 16th

### **Villainous Masterminds**

10am-12pm

Ages 8-11. Nicole Griffin and Erin E. Moulton.

What makes a reader engage with a villain? How can we make them come to life in our stories? The only way to find out is to step into his or her shoes.

### **Floating Islands, Hidden Worlds\***

1-3pm

Ages 6-8. Nancy Butman.

*The Dictionary of Imaginary Places* is full of descriptions of fantastic places from literature – Wonderland, Never-Never Land and Oz. Create your own imaginary place and tell the tale of your adventures there. Leave with your own map!

*\*workshop is full. Waitlist registration only.*

## Wednesday, February 17th

### **Myths for The Modern**

10am-12pm

Ages 14+. Luke McKinnon.

Take this opportunity to put a modern spin on ancient myths. Have you ever wondered about the origin of Instagram? Or what *really* happens when you send a text? Create your own creation myths and tell the untold story behind some of our greatest (and weirdest!) inventions.

### **Aliens and Elephants, Playgrounds and Castles**

1-3pm

Ages 6-8. Helen Campion and Alicia Potter.

Here's your chance to create new characters and places that people have never heard of before. Leave this workshop with characters and settings that are bound to catch the imagination of all readers.

## Thursday, February 18th

### **Snapshot Stories**

10am-12pm

Ages 8-11. Dan Boardman. Houseboat Press.

You have three pictures: a palm tree, a set of skis, and an empty photo frame. Can these photographs tell a story? Pull from our collection of printed photographs, weave images into stories, and leave with your own bound book of photography and writing!

### **Cooking Up A Character**

1-3pm

Ages 11-14. Jennifer Barnes and Sarah Casell.

All characters start as an idea. How do you cook one up? Create a character recipe and learn how to bake compelling characters into the center of your stories.

## Friday, February 19th

### **Wrong for the Right Reasons: Writing the Anti-Hero**

10am-12pm

Ages 11-14. Brad Babendir.

The best characters are the ones that do bad things-but still get love from the audience. Discover how to draw the bad out of good characters and the good out of the bad in our workshop.

### **How to Protect Your Digital Life...Sometimes**

1-3pm

Ages 14+. Ralph Bouquet. NOVA Labs.

Do you trust the security of your text messages, Snapchats and web browser history? Do you know how much of your personal information is accessible to others online? Learn how to protect yourself in this workshop with NOVA's Cybersecurity Lab!