

Writing that Moves the Human Heart resource list

Links:

www.nanowrimo.com – November is National Novel Writing Month and this website is where thousands of writers worldwide sign up for the crazy task of writing a 50,000 word novel in one month. As Chris Baty, the founder of NaNoWriMo says, November is a depressing month not good for much else but writing a novel. Many writers have found the inspiration to start writing here and a few published books even got started in this crazy event. Check out the resources and join the fun.

<https://www.suleikajaouad.com/the-isolation-journals> - Suleika Jaouad knows a lot about isolation after being diagnosed with leukemia at the age of twenty-two. You can sign up for a month's worth of writing prompts at her site, as well as many other resources. Her memoir, *Between Two Kingdoms*, will be published this winter.

www.sixwordmemoirs.com – There's nothing like flash fiction and non-fiction to teach a writer how to pack a punch. Six word stories put writers to the test. Check out this website for inspiration.

Ted Talks:

https://www.ted.com/talks/anne_lamott_12_truths_i_learned_from_life_and_writing - Author Anne Lamott offers her humorous insights about writing and life.

https://www.ted.com/talks/elizabeth_gilbert_success_failure_and_the_drive_to_keep_creating - Elizabeth Gilbert, author of *Eat, Pray, Love*, offers her thoughts on creativity.

https://www.ted.com/talks/sakinah_hofler_how_to_use_creative_writing_to_bear_witness – Writer Sakinah Hofler offers an exercise in telling the story of the things that have happened to us and discusses the importance of writing these stories to bear witness to our lives.

Books:

Nonfiction:

Bird by Bird by Anne Lamott

On Writing by Stephen King

Unless it Moves the Human Heart by Roger Rosenblatt

The Jane Austen Writers Club by Rebecca Smith

Handling the Truth: On Writing a Memoir by Beth Kephart

Dear Mr. Essay Writer Guy by Dinty Moore

The Artist's Way by Julia Cameron

Fiction:

Writers and Lovers by Lily King

Loudermilk, or, The real poet, or, The origin of the world by Lucy Ives

Chronicles of a Radical Hag (with recipes) by Lorna Landvik

The Red Address Book by Sofia Lundberg

Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk by Kathleen Rooney

We are all Made of Stars by Rowan Coleman

The Body Lies by Jo Baker

The Swallows by Lisa Lutz

The Secrets of Flight by Maggie Lefler

Pull of the Moon by Elizabeth Berg

A Front Page Affair by Radha Vatsal

You Enter A Room by local author Nancy Dafoe