

**MILLHOUSE FALL 2017 WRITER'S RETREAT
& PEARL S. BUCK HOUSE WRITING CENTER BENEFIT**

Saturday, September 16th, 2017, Kintnersville, PA

8:30am – 5pm

Your hostess, artist and writer, Margaret Grandinetti

Your writing leader, author Donna Galanti



donnagalanti3.wixsite.com/millhouseretreat

Come enjoy glorious fall in upper Bucks County on a one-day writing retreat at this historic, preserved property built in 1742. Millhouse is an ideal tranquil setting for writing and perfect for any type of writer who loves writing in nature. **20% of all proceeds** will be donated to the Pearl S. Buck House Writing Center to fund conferences and programs for writers in need.

WHAT IT INCLUDES:

- 68 acres to write and roam at your leisure. Plenty of seats to write by the pond fountain, relax by the creek, or find inspiration on the walking trail. You may also choose to enjoy comfy seating inside the Millhouse's grand room or on one of the many covered porches.
- Continental breakfast, tea, coffee, and water.
- Welcome packet that includes property and house map and agenda.
- Writing prompt led by Donna.
- Writing on your own all morning.
- Lunch buffet by the pond catered by Jennifer McCandless Assorted Venues & Catering.
- Lunch followed by sharing of writing prompt first pages with feedback.
- Post-lunch craft session led by Donna on *5 Things to do Before You Get a Book Deal*.
- Writing in the afternoon!



AGENDA:

8:30am – 9am. Continental breakfast, settle in.

9am – 9:30am. Introduction and writing prompt.

9:30am – 12:30pm. Writing on your own.

12:30 – 1pm. Buffet-style lunch on the lawn to include gluten-free selections.

1pm – 2pm. Donna's session + Q&A – *5 Things to do Before You Get a Book Deal*.

2pm – 2:45pm. Share first-pages of prompts for feedback or writing on your own. First 7 sign up. Miss out? Email Donna your 1st page after the conference for feedback! donna@donnagalanti.com.

2:45 – 5pm. Writing on your own. Farewell!



COST: \$65 per person

Includes 2 meals, writing time and space, craft lecture, networking with the writing community

Payment of \$65 via credit card (Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express, PayPal) through PayPal.

Send payment via PayPal to: donnagalanti@verizon.net

OR check payment of \$65 made out to Donna Galanti-Millhouse Retreat and mailed to:

Donna Galanti

21 Morgan Hill Drive

Doylestown, PA 18901

Please include full name, phone number, and email to receive a receipt and be added to the email list to receive information and directions about the retreat. Your email will only be used for this purpose.

CONTACT:

Donna Galanti for more information or with any questions.

donna@donnagalanti.com

(267) 614-2679

Rain date Sept. 23. This retreat is limited to 50 attendees so be sure to claim your spot!

REFUND POLICY:

Full refunds given up to August 15th. 50% refund given up to September 1st. No refunds after September 1st. No refunds if unable to make rain date. Rain cancels event. Cancellation notification day prior. Full refunds within 15 business days.

BIOS:**Donna Galanti**

Donna is the author of the paranormal suspense Element Trilogy ([Imajin Books](#)) and the children's fantasy adventure Joshua and The Lightning Road series ([Month9Books](#)). She is represented by Bill Contardi of Brandt & Hochman Literary Agents, Inc. Donna is a contributing editor for International Thriller Writers the [Big Thrill](#) magazine and blogs with other middle grade authors at [Project Middle Grade Mayhem](#). She's lived from England as a child, to Hawaii as a U.S. Navy photographer. Donna enjoys teaching at conferences on the writing craft and marketing and also presenting as a guest author at elementary and middle schools. Visit her at www.elementtrilogy.com and www.donnagalanti.com.

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Margaret Grandinetti

Margaret is a writer and artist, who came into painting after her fiance passed away and she completed over 300 paintings within six months. Her work has been exhibited at the 2015 Tincum Arts Festival where she received Best of Show. She has coined the term "Suppressionism", a new genre of art named from the suppression concept in psychology, referring to the art of stopping yourself from feeling something. Margaret was featured in Bucks County Magazine Summer 2016 issue showcasing her art and home, Millhouse. She is a former student of the Pearl S. Buck House Writing Center as well as a contributor. Margaret also runs Country Homesteads, a home care agency, and All Senior Services, LLC, with her daughter, Jennifer McCandless, and son, Jonathan McCandless.

Jennifer McCandless Assorted Venues & Catering

(267) 372-3174

Email: Jennifer_McGrand@yahoo.com

RETREAT MEALS INCLUDE:

Continental breakfast:

Tea, bottled water, coffee
Pastries, bagels and cream cheese
Fruit salad
Assorted yogurts

Lunch:

Tea, coffee, sodas, bottled water, Iced tea with lemons and oranges, fresh iced mint tea
Assorted pinwheel wraps to include ham, cheese, turkey, roasted veggies
Green salad GLUTEN FREE
Shredded chicken salad GLUTEN FREE
Tortellini pasta salad
Tomato, basil, and mozzarella salad GLUTEN FREE
Roasted veggie plate GLUTEN FREE
Assorted cookies: chocolate chip, oatmeal, sugar (limited GLUTEN FREE)
Water/tea/coffee available all day



See you there!
Your hosts,
Donna and Margaret