



WORDCRAFT CIRCLE OF NATIVE WRITERS AND STORYTELLERS
 Wordcraft Circle was founded in 1992 by Lee Francis III as a continuation of the first RTG. His vision was to further the works of Native American writers and storytellers so that their voices would not be forgotten. Through the many years, Wordcraft has counted many professional and emerging Native writers and storytellers among its ranks. As we approach our second decade we look forward to furthering the vision: that the voices of Native American writers and storytellers -past, present and future- are heard throughout the world.

NATIVE WRITERS CIRCLE OF THE AMERICAS
 Since 1992, NWCA has welcomed numerous Native American professional writers to its prestigious membership. NWCA is also the home of the First Book Awards and the Lifetime Achievement Award for Native American literature. In 2008, NWCA and Wordcraft joined together to continue to foster Native writers and storytellers.

TO REGISTER FOR RTG 2010

Conference registration:
 \$35 regular
 \$15 elders
 \$10 students (incl. college)

Banquet tickets \$15.00
 (can be added to registration)

To register please email:
rtgsignup@yahoo.com

This gathering is made possible through the generous funding, volunteers and sponsorship of:

The University of Oklahoma Native American Studies Program; The University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma; Native Writers Circle of the Americas; Members of the Wordcraft Circle of Native Writers and Storytellers.

Wordcraft Circle of Native Writers and Storytellers and Native Writers Circle of the Americas thanks our sponsors, volunteers, and attendees for your support in continuing the community, education and mentorship of Native writers.

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RETURNING THE GIFT



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Returning The Gift 2010

UBSU - USAO University Ballroom Student Union RRSU - Regents Room Student Union RRSU - Emerson Room Austin Hall



RETURNING THE GIFT

In 1992, an unprecedented gathering of Native American writers and storytellers took place in Norman, Oklahoma. Three hundred professionals, both well known and beginners, came to participate and "Return the Gift." It was the greatest gathering of Native American writers in history. Featuring professional authors such as Duane Niatum, Simon Ortiz, Paula Gunn Allen, and Linda Hogan, and up-and coming writers such as Chris Fleet and Kim Blaeser, the gathering "both demonstrated and validated our literature and our devotion to it, not just to the public, but to ourselves."

RTG has taken place in many locations over the past two decades and we are thrilled to be hosting the 15th RTG at USAO, just down the road from the first gathering so many years ago. We want to welcome you to RTG 2010 and hope you will be able to help us Return the Gift of writing and ensure that the voices of Native peoples - past, present and future - are heard throughout the world!

FRIDAY 1:30 PM - 2:15 PM	AIM HAY BAY: COME IN, SIT DOWN OPENING PRAYER AND GREETING BY USAO PRESIDENT DR. JOHN FEAVER OPENING STATEMENTS BY LEE FRANCIS IV (UBSU)		
2:30 PM - 4:00 PM	RTG FEATURED READINGS INDIAN COUNTRY NOIR WITH SARAH CORTEZ & KIM ROPPOLO AND SMOKED MULLET CORNBREAD MEMORY WITH L. RAIN CRANFORD-GOMEZ (UBSU)	KEEP IT SHORT: SHORT STORY WRITING WITH ROBERT PERRY AND SARA WEBB (RRSU)	
4:15 PM - 5:30 PM	GET IT PUBLISHED: TIPS ON PUBLISHING YOUR WORK WITH SARAH CORTEZ, EDITOR (ERAH)	THE FUTURE OF NATIVE AMERICAN WRITING: A DISCUSSION WITH LEE FRANCIS IV AND KIM ROPPOLO (UBSU)	
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	WORDCRAFT CIRCLE NATIONAL CAUCUS MEETING (TBD)		
SATURDAY 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	RTG 2010 MORNING ORIENTATION (UBSU)		
10:15 AM - 12:00 PM	"REAL" FILMMAKING: DOCUMENTARY FILMMAKING AND WRITING WITH ANNETTE ARKEKETA (ERAH)	WOMEN'S WRITING: POWERFUL STORIES THROUGH THE WRITTEN WORD WITH L. RAIN CRANFORD-GOMEZ (UBSU)	OUT LOUD: PERFORMANCE POETRY WITH LEE FRANCIS IV (RRSU)
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN		
1:00 PM - 2:15 PM	"RETURNING THE GIFT" AND OPEN MIC ATTENDEES HAVE THE CHANCE TO MINGLE, PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND READ IN AN AFTERNOON OPEN MIC (UBSU)		
2:30 PM - 4:00 PM	A TALE OF TWO BOBS: DISCUSSIONS ON A LITERARY LIFE WITH ROBERT CONLEY AND ROBERT PERRY (UBSU)	PLAYS: FROM BEGINNING TO END WRITING A PLAY FROM START TO FINISH WITH JUDYLEE OLIVA (RRSU)	
4:30 PM - 5:15 PM	CLOSING SESSION AND CLOSING PRAYER (UBSU)		
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	WORDCRAFT CIRCLE AND NWCA AWARDS BANQUET 2010		