

Writer Facilitators: What Women Write (working title)

ROLE DESCRIPTION

Role Title:	Writer Facilitator
Fee:	Agreed on a sessional basis, based on £125 per half day or session.
Dates and location:	To be mutually agreed between Oct-Dec 2025.
Interviews:	2 or 3 September 2025

All roles will require availability for training at Mayflower Studios on 6 Sept 2025.

ArtfulScribe is looking for Writer Facilitators for a new project, What Women Write.

What Women Write (working title) will engage women from underrepresented communities through the lens of women's fiction, looking at themes such as civic life, gender, women's roles and expectations, and cultural traditions, facilitated through workshops led by writers living or working in Southampton. Responding to Jane Austen 250, women from across the city will be facilitated to express their stories and fictional writing through multi-lingual visual and/or audio media.

The Writer Facilitator will be capable of planning sessions that encourage, inspire, and motivate women from diverse backgrounds to engage with the themes of the project through written and spoken word.

As well as being a talented writer, the Writer Facilitator will be energetic, dynamic, inspiring and passionate. A provable track record of workshop delivery and publication or other professional experience as a writer is essential. Knowledge of one or more other languages, and/or experience of working in contexts where English may not be participants' first language is not essential but may be helpful for some sessions. Successful applicants will demonstrate a strong interest in working in community settings and supporting diverse voices.

Working as part of a team of writers, the writer facilitator will be supported by a producer and will enable an assistant to provide administration and evaluation support and gain valuable experience in writing and facilitation.

This role is a freelance contract: you will be responsible for registering as self employed if required and paying your own tax and national insurance. An up to date DBS check and public liability insurance will be required. If necessary, DBS checks can be initiated through ArtfulScribe.

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ArtfulScribe is a Solent-based literature development agency, delivering a wide and varied programme of classes, workshops, events and engagement activities for children, young people and adults, alongside professional skills development for writers.

At ArtfulScribe we believe in the power of literature to make meaningful change in people's lives, creating a sense of community, building confidence and resilience, and improving well-being. We increase literacy and nurture enjoyment of reading, writing and storytelling in young people. We empower marginalised voices in our local communities through projects that foster greater understanding of specific groups and celebrate differences. We aim to support the articulation of, and share stories and writing focused on, creating a better world, calling for action and encouraging hope on themes such as climate change, place-making, equity and inclusion.

We are a community interest company and have a small and friendly core team based at Mayflower Studios in Southampton, working with a wide range of associate writers and facilitators and supported by our expert Advisory Group.

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HOW TO APPLY

To apply, please fill in an online application form here:

<https://forms.gle/4Y8fQPMA5gs5KwPd8>

You will be asked to give your contact details, upload a CV or project portfolio, and write or record a brief expression of interest, detailing in your own words why you would be a good candidate for the role and your relevant experience.

We recommend you aim for 250-500 words or a 2-5 minute video/audio recording, and encourage you not to depend on AI to complete your application, as we value diverse voices.

Please email bridget@artfulscribe.co.uk with any questions or if you have any problems accessing the online form.