

Bridging Worlds: Writing and Wellbeing in a Time of Division

We are excited to invite proposals for the June 4th-7th 2025 Conference on Writing and Wellbeing, which will take place in person at St. John's University, Manhattan Campus, in New York, New York.

- **Proposal submission deadline: Sunday March 8, 2025**
- Announcement of Acceptances by: April 6, 2025

This year's theme is "Bridging Worlds: Writing and Wellbeing in a Time of Division." This theme explores the role of writing as a transformative tool for healing, connection, and fostering resilience in an era marked by societal, cultural, and personal divides. By emphasizing the interplay between writing practices and emotional, social, and intellectual wellbeing, the conference invites participants to reflect on how writing can serve as a bridge across ideological, generational, and experiential divides.

Some example sub themes include:

- Writing as healing in a divided world.
- Narratives of connection and division.
- The role of writers in a polarized society.
- Interdisciplinary approaches to writing and wellbeing.

Proposal Formats:

- **Individual Panel Presentation:** A 20-minute presentation where we will pair you with two other presenters on related topics.
- **Group Panel Presentation:** A session for pre-organized groups of 2-3 presenters, with each presenter given 15-20 minutes to speak.
- **Roundtable Discussion:** A collaborative format ideal for larger groups or free-form discussions.
- **Workshop:** Highly interactive sessions centered on audience engagement. Workshops are best suited for 1-2 facilitators focused on hands-on learning and group participation.

Each session will last 75 minutes, including 15 minutes for Q&A to foster dialogue with the audience.

Proposal Requirements:

- **Elevator Pitch:** A brief abstract (about 50 words) that captures the essence of your proposal.

- **Detailed Abstract:** A longer abstract of around 250 words, providing more context and insight into your topic. We welcome slightly over- or under-length submissions, so please focus on clarity over word count.

We look forward to your submissions and to creating a dynamic conference experience that inspires meaningful connections between writing and wellbeing!

To submit your proposal, use [the following Google Submission Form](#).

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