

Voice of the Vet

Veterans Writing Project

Veterans, Soldiers, Warriors and Service Men and Women are invited to participate in **Free Weekly Writing Workshops** with Kathleen Nesbitt, a published writer and transformative language artist, at the *National Vietnam Veterans Art Museum in Chicago*.

With an emphasis on helping veterans process and cope with their experiences of war and the military through personal writing, these workshops will promote community building in a welcoming environment. Here the writers can give voice and bear witness to their common experiences as they work toward fostering personal peace, healing and renewal, and social reintegration. The workshops will explore the basics of the craft of writing, introduce the spiritually nourishing aspects of expressive writing, and provide tools to create a sustainable writing practice.

- VETERANS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENGAGE IN WORKSHOPS WITH PUBLISHED AUTHORS (TBA) ONCE A MONTH DURING THE SERIES.
- FAMILIES OF VETERANS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN WORKSHOPS ONCE A MONTH DURING THE SERIES.
- VETERANS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE PARTNERED WITH STUDENT ARTISTS FROM COLUMBIA COLLEGE'S SOUND & MOTION CLASS TO CREATE MEDIA WORKS THAT TELL/INTERPRET THE VETERAN'S STORIES AND WRITING.



Beginning Saturday, October 18th 2008

Thru Saturday, January 31st 2009

2:30pm – 5:00pm

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Kathleen Nesbitt MFA, MA-TLA, CAPF, AWAI is a published writer working on a novel that depicts the manifestations of violence, abuse, and PTSD. In addition to her MFA in writing she holds an MA in Transformative Language Arts: Social and Personal Transformation through the power of the written, spoken or sung word. She has facilitated writing workshops for healing and renewal with the homeless, victims of abuse, persons in recovery, and the incarcerated, among others. "I give voice."

***VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to provide transportation. If you have a van and are willing to help get participants to the workshops please call 773-316-5800.