

Multimodal Storytelling: Creative Writing and Technology

Oct. 1 and Oct. 8 3:30-5:30



Multimodal may seem like a big word for small students, but new online tools help younger students create stories in a way which addresses many different learning styles (multiple intelligences) and fosters a greater sense of creativity while developing computer literacy skills.

Multimodal Storytelling: Creative Writing and Technology is a 4 hour workshop free of charge via a live connection on the internet (using Elluminate) designed for elementary and middle school teachers with an interest in engaging their students in creative writing with an audiovisual twist. Participants will discuss how to develop and self-publish short stories, process analysis, etc. using pictures, student drawings, audio readings and transcribed student speech (especially helpful with visually impaired students).



The workshop instructor is Michelle Brenner, a self-proclaimed and self-taught computer geek who hasn't been ruined by too many computer certifications and remembers how to talk to regular people! Michelle teaches in the humanities department at the North Carolina School of Science and Math. She will teach participants the technologies (such as Voicethread, Audacity, GCast and Earfl), techniques for classroom integration and facilitate discussion of integration into the Standard Course of Study.

English Language Arts SCOS Objective 4.07 and 4.10

- Use technology as a tool to enhance and/or publish a product.
- Compose a variety of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and drama using self-selected topic and format (e.g., poetry, research reports, news articles, letters to the editor, business letters).

Site Requirements:

Access to computers and internet connection required during class and for homework
Microphone (built in ok, external preferred, headsets optimal)
Access to Ning.com, Voicethread.com, GCast.com, <http://audacity.sourceforge.net/>, and Earfl.com

.5 CEUs: 4 hours of seminar (face to face) plus 2 hours of homework



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