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Writ News

Late Edition

Thursday, 10.9: cloudy with a possibility of poetry.
Wednesday, 10.10: sunny skies; drafts revised.
Thursday, 10.11: expect snows, prose.

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DU Celebrates National Day on Writing

Campus Gears up for October 20th

The University of Denver is an official local site for the National Day on Writing, and we invite members of the entire campus community to share their writing and participate in activities led by the Writing Program. The Day on Writing spotlights one of humankind's most central and important activities: writing, in all its myriad forms. Sponsors of the Day are the National Council of Teachers of English and 15 partners, including Google Docs, the Newseum, *USA Today*, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the National Center for Family Literacy, the National Council of Social Studies, and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

One aspect of the day is a National Gallery of Writing, a site where people who perhaps have never thought of themselves as writers—mothers, bus drivers, fathers, veterans, nurses, firefighters, sanitation workers, stockbrokers—select and post one thing they have written that is important to them. The Gallery accommodates any composition format—from word processing to photography, audio recording to text messages.

DU has its very own gallery within the National Gallery. Please submit a piece of writing that you'd enjoy having read, seen, or heard by others. A paper, a poem, a recipe, a memo, a memoir, an essay, a podcast, a video, a wish, a letter to the future, a statement, a whimsy: all are welcome. To share your work, please go to http://galleryofwriting.org/conferences/galleryofwriting/galleries/235738

Array of Exciting Events Planned for the 20th

8:30–10:00: Driscoll Gallery Two
Breakfast and readings by FSEM students

11:00–2:00: Chan Classroom in Penrose Library
Live Gallery: Image, text, sound, and moving pictures. A celebration of all things writing.

12:00–2:00: Writing Center and Chan Classroom in Penrose Library
Contests! Games! Prizes! Scrabble Tournament! Writing "Writing" Winners announced and prizes awarded!

All week: Post Secret
Share your writing secrets, anonymously, with the campus community. Submissions accepted at the Writing Center until the morning of October 20.

Enter the Writing "Writing" Contest for DU Students!

When students and teachers talk about *writing* in college, they usually mean papers, papers, and more papers. It's easy to forget that we use writing not just in term papers but all the time. Whether it's through newspapers or websites, text messages or flyers, billboards or emails, life as we know it would not exist without writing. We're calling on you to create some positive (and entertaining) PR for writing.

Your job is to create a parody or spoof that makes us laugh AND promotes writing at the same time. Use whatever creative means you can think of to help create your campaign—video, sound, images, and good old-fashioned words on the page. For example, you might:

- Give writing a makeover and then design a before and after spread for a magazine,
- Film a TV commercial for the new and improved writing.
- Write a Perez Hilton-style gossip column about writing's new image.
- Design a cereal box for yummy and good-for-you writing.

DU students and faculty will vote for the winner, so keep in them in mind as your audience. **Prizes** include a Flip Camera, books, and adulation. Entries must be uploaded or submitted to Penrose 202 no later than 4 pm on October 16. Email Heather Martin (hmartin1@du.edu) with questions about the contest.

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