

Bringing Stories to Life

Picture Book Writing and Storytelling Retreat in Sunny Spain

26 January – 2 February, 2019



Whether you want to bring children's stories to life on the page or through the oral tradition of storytelling, this retreat will give you the tools to make this happen. Participants will spend a week in Southern Spain exploring the craft of storytelling through writing exercises, games, drama, and puppetry. While each participant will choose to focus on either writing or oral storytelling workshops, there will also be combined skills workshops conducted by both tutors or special guests. Also included are yoga or tai chi each morning, daily Spanish lessons, and a day's excursion in the nearby mountains.

NOTE: The storytelling workshops are suited for anyone who cares for children under the age of 9, including teachers, parents, and grandparents. No previous storytelling experience is required.

The picture book (PB) writing workshops are suited for all levels. However, if you are an absolute beginner to PB writing, please indicate this when booking. Rebecca will send basic information to any beginners in advance of attending to ensure they are familiar with the length and format of PBs.

Meet the tutors:

Zeeny Jhelumi is an international children's storyteller, a children's author, TEDx speaker, and an educator who leads classes for children and adults in the art of storytelling, creative writing, and public speaking. <http://zeenyjhelumi.com>



Rebecca Colby is a picture book author and poet. Her books include *Captain Bling's Christmas Plunder* (Albert Whitman & Company, 2017), *Motor Goose: Rhymes that Go!* (Macmillan US, 2017), *It's Raining Bats and Frogs* (Macmillan US, 2015), and *There was a Wee Lassie who Swallowed a Midgie* (Floris Books, 2014).

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Guest speakers to be announced soon. Cost is £790 for 8 days, all meals are included, and payment may be made in instalments. For more information, contact: lifelarningretreats@gmail.com