



Tell It Slant Writing Workshops

How can we recognize our own truths? How can we communicate these truths in ways that connect us to others? We all have the capability of exploring our lives through the creation of art. But often our education has stifled us. Or life's circumstances have blurred our innate knowledge of what is true and what is false. Writing can lead us back to that truth. Whether you write in a journal or have published ten books, you are on your way to finding meaning that can be communicated through words.

Jane Downs announces a series of writing classes titled **Tell it Slant**. Classes meet for five-week sessions on Saturday mornings, beginning February 27, 2010. Each session we will explore techniques of freewriting. During the week you will write at home, every day, on topics assigned in class. Using this material, you will shape a piece of writing to bring to class. Each member's work will receive feedback based on techniques learned in class. These techniques are designed to encourage your writing, not judge it. You will also learn to listen in a way that will help you move into more powerful writing.

Classes are designed for anyone who wants to begin writing or wants to deepen their writing by exploring ideas, images, and metaphors that pertain to your life. All true writing holds a vitality and energy. You will leave each session with tools to assist you access this vitality and to continue to write what is meaningful to you and your life.

Tell all the Truth but tell it slant

Emily Dickinson

Tell all the Truth but tell it slant---
Success in Circuit lies
Too bright for our infirm Delight
The Truth's superb surprise
As Lightning to the Children eased
With explanation kind
The Truth must dazzle gradually
Or every man be blind---

Classes held Saturdays February 27- March 27, 2010 from 10:00 am – 1:30 pm at
1648 Ocean View Ave. Kensington, CA

Cost per session \$250.00. Send 1-3 pages of prose or up to three poems with a deposit of \$75.00 made payable to Jane Downs at the above address. Classes limited to six participants. For further information call 510-915-9318.