



Society of Medical Writers  
One-day Spring Conference  
and Writing Workshop 2018



*For Medics, Allied Health Professionals and Students.  
Non-members welcome*

The Art Workers Guild, 6 Queen Square, London WC1N 3AT  
Wed 18 April 2018 10:00 am – 5:00pm

**Theme: GETTING PUBLISHED – new ideas, new inspiration**

*Draft Programme and Booking Form*

**Timetable:** 9:30-10:00: *Arrival and Gathering for 10:00 am start. Coffee, tea.*

10:00 – 11:15: **Tim Albert:** Popular speaker, author, editor, and writing guru, well known to many medics, Tim Albert has transformed himself from journalist specializing in medical matters into trainer specializing in medical writing. This time he will be talking about **writing his autobiography, “Mostly we had it good”**. (See his website <https://www.timalbert.co.uk> )

11:15: *Tea and Coffee Break*

11:30: More from **Tim Albert**, with a short writing workshop led by him.

12:15: **Neil Wilson:** meet the Editor. Encouragement to submit pieces for publication in ‘The Writer’

**Paula Lawrence:** SOMW Winter Competition Results, prize-giving and readings. Encouragement to enter our writing competitions.

13:00 -14:00; *Lunch: delicious sandwich selection plus Fruit; Biscuits; Tea; Coffee; Fruit Juices.*

**14:00 Christopher Fielden: 'Getting Published; Trade Secrets; Short Story and Flash Fiction Writing Workshop'.** Christopher Fielden will be talking about the art of short story writing, publishing, performance, flash fiction writing, blogging and the different ways you can make money from your writing. He will draw on his experience as an award-winning and Amazon-bestselling writer, competition judge and publisher. The flash fiction part of the workshop will invite all attendees to pen a flash fiction story for one of the writing challenges that Chris runs on his website. Each flash fiction story written at this event will be published in a book alongside stories by 99 other authors. Proceeds from sales support charity. (see his website: <http://www.christopherfielden.com/> )

15:15 *Tea Break*

15:30 More from **Christopher Fielden: The writing challenge.**

17:00 Close. Optional extra: a short walk to ‘Ciao Bella’ in Lambs Conduit St. for a meal or a drink (pay as you go)

✂.....*Booking Slip*.....✂

**Please reserve my place at the SOMW Spring Conference and Writing Workshop: Wed 18 April 2018**

Post me your booking slip plus cheque [ ] for £ 75 to “The Society of Medical Writers” (**early bird £70 if booked before 15 Jan 2018**)

OR book online, email me AND pay by bank transfer [ ] to the Society of Medical Writers, Account 83304337, sort code 20-45-45, ref: your name and CONF. Student discounts (very substantial) on request.

YOUR NAME:

TEL:

Vegetarian? Yes/No

ADDRESS:

email:

Other diet?

*Please return this booking slip to:* Dr Mary Anderson, 1 Ballbrook Ave, Manchester M20 6AB Phone: 07887984266

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