

Alaska Writers Conference Schedule – September, 2012

Friday, September 7:

- 2:00 pm **Registration Opens** (*lobby*)
- 3:30 – 4 pm **Opening Session & remarks** – opening remarks by Patrick Foster, et al.
(*McKinley East*)
- 4:15 - 6:30 pm **Jurgen Wolff – *Twelve Ways to Write Better & Faster*** (*McKinley East*)
Vivian Zabel - *Holding the reader with action and movement* (*Susitna Room*)
Jerry Simmons – Book Marketing: What, When and How (*McKinley West*)
- 6:30 - 8:00 pm Meet & Greet – appetizers, entertainment (*McKinley west*)

Saturday, September 8:

- 8:00 am Registration (*lobby*) and Continental Breakfast, (*McKinley West*)
- 8:45 am Welcome and Introductions, (*McKinley East*)
- 9:00 am GENERAL SESSION: Keynote speaker **Jerry Simmons**, (*McKinley East*)
How to Profit from Trends in Publishing
Book signing to follow session
- 10:30 am Break – Coffee / Tea / Hot chocolate
- 10:45 am **Jan Harper Haines - *Writers' Block – Getting Unstuck*** (*Susitna Room*)
Wilda Williams - *Getting Your Book Read By Library Review* (*McKinley East*)
Gordon Warnock – *Getting to know the Agent* (*McKinley West*)
- 12:15 pm Lunch buffet & Live Auction (*McKinley West*)
- 1:30 pm **Vivian Zabel- *Pitching your Manuscript*** (*Susitna Room*)
Susan Meissner – *300 pages in 30 days: Maximize your writing time* (*McKinley East*)
Jan Harper Haines – *Not Just Fiction* (*McKinley West*)
- 3:00 pm Soft Drinks / Juice/ Lemonade
- 3:15 pm **Jan Harper Haines – *Autobiography in Memoir & Fiction*** (*Susitna Room*)
Jurgen Wolff – *Dicken, Austen & Twain: Your Writing Coaches* (*McKinley East*)
TBD (*McKinley West*)
- 5:00 pm Cocktail Hour
- 6:00 – 8:00pm AWG Awards Banquet w/ keynote (*local*)

Sunday, September 9:

- 8:00 am Continental Breakfast, (McKinley West)
- 9:00 am **Jurgen Wolff – *Guerilla Warfare for the Writer* (McKinley East)**
Gordon Warnock – *DIY Publishing* (Susitna Room)
Wilda Williams – *Library Review from A to Z* (McKinley West)
- 10:30 am Coffee / Tea / Hot chocolate
- 10:45 am **Vivian Zabel – *How to Submit Your Manuscript* (McKinley East)**
Susan Meissner – *Build A Story Arc* (Susitna Room)
Jan Harper Haines – *Plot & Structure: Get Your Story Moving* (McKinley West)
- 12:15 noon Buffet lunch, (McKinley West)
- 1:30 pm GENERAL SESSION Keynote speaker **Jerry Simmons** (McKinley East)
Book Marketing: What, When & How
- 2:45 pm Soft Drinks/Juice/Lemonade
- 3:00 pm **Panel discussion**; full faculty answers your questions (McKinley East)
- 4:30 pm Silent Auction Winners Announced, Closing Remarks (McKinleyEast)