

**ARIZONA HUMANITIES LAUNCHES VETERANS WRITING WORKSHOP**  
***Writing for Our Lives: Remembering through the Power of Poetry Starts January 28<sup>th</sup> in Phoenix***

**PHOENIX, AZ** – Arizona Humanities invites veterans from all eras to participate in a free six-session poetry writing workshop, *Writing for Our Lives*, starting on Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> in downtown Phoenix. Through readings, writing exercises, and discussion, participants will delve into their own experiences to practice the concise and potent craft of poetry writing. Childhood, family, friendship, love, loss, career, peace, war, and the everyday are all experiences which can offer rich material to express through writing. All levels of writers are encouraged to attend.

Since 2001, over two million American men and women have been deployed in the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, and for the first time in a generation, Americans have lived with the ongoing consequences of war. The goal of Arizona Humanities Veterans Programs is to help veterans reintegrate into the larger community while connecting with other veterans.

*Writing for Our Lives* is free, includes all materials with a complimentary meal, and is open to men and women veterans from all eras.

- ***Writing for Our Lives: Remembering through the Power of Poetry***

Wednesdays: 6:00 – 8:00pm

January 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, & March 4

Arizona Humanities

1242 N. Central Avenue – Phoenix, AZ 85004

Instructor: Elizabeth McNeil, M.F.A., Ph.D., Arizona State University

*\*All materials and a complimentary meal will be provided at each session.\**

*To register, contact Hannah Schmidl ([hschmidl@azhumanities.org](mailto:hschmidl@azhumanities.org)) or call 602-257-0335 x27.*

For more information and to register for Veterans Programs, visit our website [www.azhumanities.org](http://www.azhumanities.org) or contact Hannah Schmidl, Programs and Marketing Assistant, 602-257-0335 x27 / [hschmidl@azhumanities.org](mailto:hschmidl@azhumanities.org).

**About Arizona Humanities**  
<http://www.azhumanities.org>

Arizona Humanities is an independent non-profit organization and the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. We support public programming in the humanities that promotes understanding of human thoughts, actions, creations, and values. Since its foundation in 1973, nearly \$11 million has been provided to cultural and educational institutions throughout Arizona.

Mission: Arizona Humanities builds a just and civil society by creating opportunities to explore our shared human experiences through discussion, learning and reflection.