



Course details

Course title

Literature: Exploring Form in Poetry

Course code

Q00016874

Course date

Start: 22/04/25

End: 01/07/25

Fee range

Free to £88.80

How you'll learn

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes online in video meetings and materials will be provided in our virtual learning environment.

Got it!

Online

Venue

Online

Level of study

Beginners

Course overview

Over the 10-week period, you'll pay close attention to 10 different poetic forms such as , including the nocturne, haibun, prose poem, villanelle, golden shovel, pantoum, epistle, elegy, acrostic, couplet, ekphrastic, through close readings of selected verses, you'll explore formal context and development in relation to your own work. You'll also participate in lively discussions regarding formal aspects and question the use of techniques and experimentation. Prompts will be provided to support you with drafting your formal piece and you'll be encouraged to continue your work at home in between sessions. Openness is encouraged but you won't be asked to share more than you are comfortable with. Connect to and support a writing community.

Course description

If you are interested in dedicating time and space to reading, writing poetry and exploring different forms then this course is for you. It will provide you with a friendly, nurturing and fun place even if you feel a little shy of poetry. To write better poems, it is useful to know the rules in order to be able to break the rules better! Writing in form can take your poetry to interesting places that you wouldn't have otherwise gone. In the course you will:

- discover poems that are written following particular poetic forms,
- observe and discuss the poems,
- be guided to write a poem following a particular form.

There will be a place to share your experiences in a supported community which will give you the opportunity to practice being seen and heard, which will develop your self confidence and give you the opportunity to explore meaning in your life and poems. Openness is encouraged but you won't be asked to share more than you are comfortable with. Come practice with us, you are welcome! Please bring pen and paper with you and a glass of water and/or a cup of tea.

What financial support is available?

We don't want anything to stand in your way when it comes to bringing Adult learning within reach so if you need anything to support you to achieve your goals then speak to one of our education experts during your enrolment journey. Most of our courses are government funded but if you don't qualify or need alternative financial help to access them then let us know.

What other support is available?

All of our digital content, teaching and learning activities and assessments are designed to be accessible so if you need any additional support you can discuss this with the education experts during your enrolment journey and we will do all we can to make sure you have optimal access.

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