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March 15-17, 2019: Writers' All : Novices and Pros Retreat.

"With the right tools, content, marketing and distribution strategies in place, being a successful author is a lot easier than it sounds." So says Justine Bylo, who's coming to facilitate our weekend.

**Looking to grab yourself some designated writing time?
Looking for a chance to hang out with other writers
who share your perspectives on life and words?
This could be for YOU!**



Justine Bylo manages the author-acquisition program at IngramSpark Group Inc., working with authors and independent publishers to expand their literary platforms through smart sales and marketing strategies. She's been the host of the IngramSpark podcast, *Go Publish Yourself*, which has been listened to over 75,000 times. She also has helped get print books into Rwanda for a literacy initiative, launched several author-focused programs, and even taught many co-workers to love romance novels. A graduate of NYU's Tisch school, Justine started her career as a writing intern for The Colbert Report, where her snappy one-liners landed her jokes on the air, then moved on development and production at Oxygen and Bravo before making the leap to publishing—and to working on her own novels.

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Kim Nagy, well-known for her interviewing skills, and for a few award-winning books with Wild River Review Publishers, will also be joining us.

Interested? Read on.....



Here's what a Minerva's Writer's Retreat looks like:

- **Friday night soup-and-salad-and-dessert supper: get to know your weekend “housemates”**
- **Saturday morning hot breakfast, followed by a “writers’ warmup” session led by your facilitators**
- **Lunch and thinking/walking/writing time**
- **Late afternoon session with your facilitators**
- **Supper and informal exchanges with those “housemates” who “get it” about the writing process**
- **Early evening retiring to read short samples of your “housemates” work**
- **Sunday morning breakfast with those “housemates” who are now your new “best friends”**
- **Sunday morning closing session to discuss “best friends” writing.**

All-inclusive price: \$240/person (\$190 if you are sharing a room)

AND....if you'd like a little more time to take advantage of the head of steam you've built up, you can spend an extra night: the rate is only \$70, including Monday morning breakfast!

Remember Minerva's mantra: *“Friends don't let friends write alone.”*