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## Sharpen your science fiction writing skills with this KFPL workshop

Perhaps you're a writer with an exciting science fiction story idea. You have a great character and an interesting dilemma for them to solve. There's another component necessary for all types of science fiction: building a believable future for your story's setting. KFPL invites you to an upcoming workshop covering exactly that topic.

"Far from being just a backdrop, an intriguing future is critical, whether your story is set on Earth, on another planet or in space," explained Anne Hall, Programming and Outreach Librarian.

This writing workshop with local author Jerri Jerreat will focus on creating a convincing future in solarpunk, a type of eco-fiction set in a future where we've somehow managed to deal with today's global environmental crisis.

'Writing: Creating a Believable Future' happens Saturday, October 23 from 2 to 3:30 p.m., via Zoom. Register online at <u>https://calendar.kfpl.ca/event/5516404</u> or by phone at (613) 549-8888. Participants will receive a link after registering and will need Zoom on their device to access the workshop.

"Make sure you have a way to take notes -- a laptop, a tablet, or even paper and pen – and are prepared to have some fun in this interactive workshop," Jerreat said.

Jerreat is an accomplished author, with an MFA in Creative Writing. She taught Creative Writing for six years at St. Lawrence College. Her stories have been published in the two <u>Glass and Gardens</u> solarpunk anthologies, <u>Nevertheless: Tesseracts Twenty-One</u>, and a dozen literary journals including The New Quarterly and The Yale Review Online.

She will return Saturday, November 20 at 2 p.m. with another science fiction writing workshop via Zoom, '<u>Writing: Character, Suspense and Theme in Eco-Fiction</u>'.

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