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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Since 2007, November has been designated **National Novel Writing Month**, or NaNoWriMo for short. Aspiring writers worldwide are encouraged to track their progress online as they try to produce 50,000 words in a new manuscript between the first and last of the month. Focusing on quantity, rather than quality, the goal is to get writing, to write with a buddy or in a group, to combat writer's block, and to produce a substantial first draft that can later be edited and rewritten to form a finished novel or the first part of a novel. By registering on the NaNoWriMo website writers can track their progress and connect with and encourage other writers, particularly in their own community. Pep talks from published writers also help, especially when they come from authors whose published works originated in NaNoWriMo, like Erin Morgenstern (*The Night Circus*), Rainbow Rowell (*Fangirl*), and Sara Gruen (*Water for Elephants*).

Kingston Frontenac Public Library is again teaming up with Kingston NaNoWriMo to provide space for local writers participating in National Novel Writing Month. In addition to four Write Ins during November, there will be two prep sessions in October. At these two-hour sessions, adult and teen writers can meet with fellow writers to get some work done in a fun, supportive space with free WiFi and electrical outlets (and possibly a few snacks). These are drop-in sessions and no registration is required. This year's sessions at KFPL will be held:

Monday, October 7, at Central branch at 2 p.m.

Monday, October 28, at Calvin Park at 7 p.m.

Monday, November 4, at Central at 7 p.m.

Monday, November 11, at Isabel Turner at 7 p.m.

Monday, November 18, at Calvin Park at 2 p.m.

Monday, November 25, at Central at 2 p.m.

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