

*Colorado Romance Writing Retreat*  
*The Hideaway Inn at Colorado Springs*  
*April 26-29<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

**Thursday April 26<sup>th</sup>**

Check in 4:00pm – 6:00pm Mingle and get settled in. Say Hello to your writerly friends, it's about to go down for real!

4:30-6:00pm – Silent Writing Time begins!

7:00pm: Go out for Dinner ~ Bourbon Brother's –in private 'Library Room'

**Friday April 27<sup>th</sup>**

6:30-7:30am Optional Morning Walk with Guided Creative Meditation – Detach from the world you just came from, and delve into \*your time\* by starting with a walk through the woods with (???) who will get you out into the fresh air and get those creative juices running so you are ready and raring to put those words down after breakfast.

7:30-8:30 am Breakfast

8:30am- 12pm Silent Writing Session

- 10:30-11:30am – Optional Breakaway Group: Sit down to learn some great ways to set those goals down in a way that suits your lifestyle. Glean ideas on how to create, reassess, and stick to goals that will help create momentum with your writing no matter how crazy your life gets.

12pm-1pm Lunch

1pm-5pm Silent Writing Session

- 1pm – 2:30pm Optional Brainstorm group – How can we get you unstuck? Do you have the barest idea of a plot, need help figuring out the rules of magic in your world, characterization giving you trouble? Bring your idea to a group think tank and you can easily break beyond what's been holding you back!

5:45pm – Dinner - Colorado Mountain Brewery

7:30pm – Partaaaaay – Games and Hot tubing!

## **Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup>**

6:30-7:30am Optional Silent Group Reading – With barely enough time to write as much as we'd like, it can be just as hard to make time to sit down and read the books that inspire us to do what we do. Grab that book that will inspire your writing for that day, one you've been meaning to read for a while, or heck, grab a magazine and wake your brain up with some juicy gossip. This will sharpen you for the rest of the coming day.

7:30-8:30am Breakfast

8:30am- 12:30pm Silent Writing

- 10:30-11:30am Optional nature walk – Not quite awake? Focus isn't coming easy yet? Shake out those cobwebs with some fresh air and natural pine then come back to the table and let's see what you got.

12:30-1:30pm Lunch

1:30-5pm Silent Writing Session

- 1:30-3:30pm Breakaway Group Option – Business Model Strategizing – need clarity on your brand, your website, your plan of attack? How can we help bring focus and intention to the business aspect of your writing?
- 4pm-5pm: Breakaway Group Option - Book Copy blurb critique/review

6pm Dinner ~ Biaggi's Italian Restaurant

7pm- 8pm Option to read your work out loud, after all we want to share our creations with others and be inspired by our peers! Plus we may have had a few drinks by this point...

8pm Partaaaaay - Games and Hot tubing!

## **Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup>**

6:30am-7:30am Optional Guided Meditation – Want to tap into your relaxed, confident, most creative self? Be guided into the last day of our retreat with some intention, reflection, and renewed energy to commit to your writing.

7:30-8:30am Breakfast

8:30am-12:30pm Silent Writing

- 9:30am- 11:00am Optional Breakaway Group: Anything goes! – What didn't we cover? Still struggling with that plot? Don't know how to act upon a critique? Not sure about your business model? Let's nip it in the bud together!

12:30-1:30 – Lunch

1:30pm-3:30pm – Silent Writing Time

3:30-4pm – Pack up and say your goodbyes!