

Writers at Sea

Alli and Tina are very excited to have you on board for a week of writing and inspiration.

Below is the latest schedule for the retreat, but please note this may be adjusted if required.

PROPOSED ITINERARY

Sunday, 22 nd October	
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Board Carnival Luminosa and leave Port of Brisbane
	Safety briefing (all cruisers)
5:00 - 5:30pm	AFTER WE SAIL - WRITERS get together and say hello and start off the cruise together: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Alli & Tina will run through the ins and outs of cruising, including making the most of your time onshore. 2. Introduction of everyone - who you are, what you are writing and what you hope to achieve on the cruise. 3. Discussion as to any changes in the itinerary that we have done after reading everyone's work. (Place TBA)
5:30pm-7:30pm	Dinner in the dining room - ALL TOGETHER PARTNERS & WRITERS. (Early dining so we can catch the shows etc at night)
7:30pm onwards	Free time to write or enjoy the ship's entertainment.
Monday, 23 rd October	
7:30am-9:30am	Breakfast (dining room takes a while, suggest eating at one of the cafés)
9:30am-12:30pm	Workshop: Alli – Synopsis: your story, your characters. Whether you're writing a tagline, blurb, synopsis or completing your manuscript, goal, motivation and conflict all come into play. Alli will show you how to use this system in all aspects of your work and help make it shine. Please bring along your current synopsis.
12:30pm-2:30pm	Lunch break
2:30pm-4:30pm	Tide Pool - Pomodoro Method – Introduction to the Pomodoro method to help your word count climb in a short amount of time. We will all work on our manuscripts using this method to achieve a large word count.
4:30pm-5:00pm	Round table discussions and questions time. (Depends on the size of the group and who attends.)
5:30pm-7:30pm	Dinner with group
7:30pm onwards	Free time to write or enjoy the ship's entertainment.

Tuesday, 24 th October	
7:30am-9:30am	Breakfast
9:30am-12:30pm	Workshop: Tina – Layer, edit, track. How to enhance your novel and get through the self-edit with style!
12:30pm-2:30pm	Lunch break
2:30pm-4:30pm	Tide Pool - Writing time in group
4:30pm-5:00pm	Round table discussions and questions time.
5:30pm-7:30pm	Dinner with group
7:30pm onwards	Free time to write or enjoy the ship's entertainment
Wednesday, 25 th October	
7:30am-9:00am	Breakfast
9:00am-5:00pm	Port day, Lifou Isle, New Caledonia
3.30pm-5.30pm	One-on-one session (to be advised). In these sessions, we go through the work you submitted, but we also work with you on anything you are having a problem with and specifically need help with.
5:30pm-7:30pm	Dinner with group
7:30pm onwards	Free time to write or enjoy the ship's entertainment.
Thursday, 26 th October	
7:30am-9:00am	Breakfast
9:00am-5:00pm	Port day, Mystery Island, Vanuatu
3:30pm-5.30pm	One-on-one session
5:30pm-7:30pm	Dinner with group
7:30pm onwards	Free time to write or enjoy the ship's entertainment.
Friday, 27 th October	
7:30am-9:00am	Breakfast
9:00am-12pm	Port day, Noumea, New Caledonia
2:30pm-4:30pm	Workshop: Alli – Deep POV. Connecting with your characters and getting your reader emotionally involved in your story.
4:30pm-5:00pm	Round table discussions and questions time.
5:30pm-7:30pm	Dinner with the group at one of the speciality restaurants

Saturday, 28 th October	
7:30am-9:30am	Breakfast
9:30am-12:30pm	Workshop: Tina – The Monkey . Imposter syndrome. Keeping motivated, knowing when it's ready. Before you are published tips.
12:30pm-2:30pm	Lunch break
2:30pm-4:30pm	Tide Pool - Writing time in Group
4:30pm-5.00pm	Round table discussions and question time
5:30pm-7:30pm	Dinner with group
7:30pm onwards	Free time to write or enjoy the ship's entertainment
Sunday, 29 th October	
7:30am-9:30am	Breakfast
9:30am-12:30pm	Disembark ship. (Times advised by Carnival)