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## Milton Public Library

# Dr. Herb Voigt Memorial Writer in Residence Application

### About the Writer in Residence Program

The Milton Public Library Writer in Residence (WIR) program was established to honor and memorialize a long time Library supporter, Dr. Herbert Voigt. Serving as both a Library Trustee and a Director of the Library Foundation, Dr. Voigt championed library services and in particular the providing a space to explore creativity.

The WIR is an aspiring or published writer who furthers the Library's fundamental mission by using their time to create an original piece of work and sharing their expertise through creating and offering library programming.

#### *Library Mission*

The mission of the Milton Public Library is to promote the love of reading, to make accessible the diversity of human culture and learning, to be a resource for the community's research and information needs and to do all of this in a way that returns value for the community's investment.

The Milton Public Library enriches the community by connecting people to the world of ideas, information, and imagination to support their work, education, personal growth and enjoyment.

### Eligibility Requirements

- Author residing in Milton, MA or neighboring area (Milton resident preferred)
- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Published writer preferred
- Experience with facilitating or teaching preferably in a public setting

### Position Expectations

- Completion of an original piece of work while in residence
- Provide a variety of public programs; these can be a combination of original programming and partnership with the Library on existing programs
- Provide scheduled availability to give guidance to other aspiring local writers
- Participate in promotional engagements for the Milton Public Library as related to the WIR program

**MPL Will Provide**

- This is a one year residency, from September through August
- \$6000 annual stipend, broken into quarterly payments
- The MPL will endeavor to provide a quiet workspace when requested, but the author is not required to write solely at the MPL
- Public profile page on the MPL website
- Assistance with program planning and coordination

**Application**

Deadline for applications is June 27, 2025.

Entrants must submit to [miltonpresumes@gmail.com](mailto:miltonpresumes@gmail.com) :

- A resume/CV/biography
- A letter of interest
- A sample of their work
- A statement about what kind of programming they will provide for all age groups
- A statement on the work that they plan to do at the Library
- A statement on how will this work promote the Library's Mission