

Lakeland Writing Retreats are facilitated
by leading
Author and Creative Writing tutor
Angela Locke MA
'The Universe is Imagination set free'



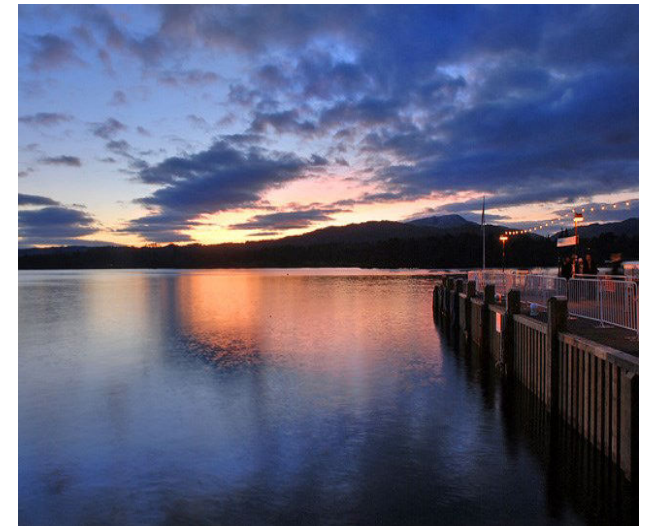
'...for I would walk alone,
In storm and tempest, or in starlight nights
Beneath the quiet Heavens; and, at that time,
Have felt whate'er there is of power in sound
To breathe an elevated mood, by form
Or image unprofaned; and I would stand,
Beneath some rock, listening to sounds that are
The ghostly language of the ancient earth,
Or make their dim abode in distant winds.
Thence did I drink the visionary power....'

William Wordsworth : *The Prelude*



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LIFE WRITING
Angela Locke with
Kerry Darbishire 20-23 June 2025
Rydal Hall
Ambleside, Cumbria



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Visions in the Lakes

Life Writing : A Writers' Retreat in the English Lake District

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Participants feedback

Life Writing in the English Lakes A Writers' Retreat with Angela Locke and Kerry Darbishire

Angela Locke holds an MA in Creative Writing, and has facilitated many successful writing workshops, notably on Iona and in the English Lake District. She is a novelist, travel writer, children's writer and journalist, often using the Lake District, where she now lives, as the background for her books, an experienced Creative Writing tutor leading Writing Retreats across the UK and in France.

Her latest novel: **Tamarisk: Love and War in France** was published in May 2024

Assistant tutor Kerry Darbishire was recently Writer-in Residence at Wordsworth's family home, Rydal Mount. Her biography of her mother **Kay's Ark** won wide praise and was runner-up in the Lakeland Book of the Year. Kerry has been published widely in anthologies and magazines. Her latest poetry collection **River Talk** was published in 2024.

Suitable for beginners and more experienced writers, Lakeland Writing Retreats seek to inspire writers in the beautiful Lake District landscape where many writers were inspired in their turn. The Retreat will be based at Rydal Hall, set in the splendour of the Lake District National Park, in the heart of the fells. Rydal Hall is an historic country mansion a few yards from Wordsworth's family home. The gardens were designed by Thomas Mawson.

'What a fabulous weekend! I have vivid images of the 'Romantic' garden at Rydal Mount in my 'inner eye.'

'Many thanks Angela for a wonderful weekend. I thoroughly enjoyed it, so energising, inspiring and fun with a warm group of people

Once again, many thanks for an inspiring writing experience. I'm still unpacking in my head the varied sensations of the weekend, which had an amazing restorative quality...'

'Thank you for a remarkable weekend. So much done in so little time. I shall store it all away and bring it out to gloat over. Truly a store to plunder, treasured memories that will flash upon 'my inward eye'...

An excellent and interesting weekend. I certainly came away with much food for thought and how I might further develop my writing...'

'A big thank- you to you all, and to Angela and Grevel for making this possible for each of us!'

'Returning to our lives refreshed...'

Booking Form

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Special dietary requirements

Course cost **without accommodation:**
£200 if booked before December 31st,
£220 after. £100 *non-returnable* deposit

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