

# Memoir Writing

Doing Grief™ Community Healing Project at the Palms



SATURDAYS, MAY 20 & 27 (2-week series), 10 am-noon

“Telling Tales: Memoir Writing” with Nancy Tsuchiya



This 2-part series, “Telling Tales,” is “not about writing. It is not about the importance of correct grammar. It is about memories—how to bring them forward in their pregnant splendor, and how to faithfully record them.”\* Re-collect your life from different perspectives with wisdom, new discoveries, and fun! We will do some writing. We will do some sharing. This is a two-session series; two sessions a week apart. Come as you are with a lifetime of experiences to explore. (\*from *Telling Tales* by N. Tsuchiya)

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“Whenever an old person dies, a small library burns.” ~ Alex Haley

**What is Memoir Writing?** Memoir writing is a narrative, first-person account of memories, events, and experiences from a person’s real life. Memoir can be any length: a page, short story, book... It can be written with the intention of publishing, keeping for yourself, or sharing with your loved ones. Memoir writing honors your life path a word at a time.



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Suggested Donation: \$5

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Nancy Tsuchiya

“Stories are about process. What did I do and why, what happened next, how did it change me, what did I learn from the whole experience. And how did other experiences in the following years change my earlier perspective?”

- Nancy Tsuchiya

**Nancy Tsuchiya** has taught memoir writing to thousands of people for over 30 years. She earned degrees in Sociology and Journalism from University of Minnesota and was a photojournalist for 13 years. She has worked as a ghost writer on a score of autobiographies and is the author of *Telling Tales: A Memoir Guidebook* and *Telling Tales II: Memoir Guidebook Considerations and Encouragements*. She comes from a family of storytellers and her passion for teaching memoir writing is fueled by her concern that wisdom is being lost between generations.

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