

OTERO ARTS INC VETERAN ARTS SHOWCASE



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An Invitation:

WRITERS' WORKSHOP

For Veterans, Active Duty and Their Families

9am-Noon * June 15, 2024

Have you ever wanted to write about your personal experiences of war, military service, or the after-effects of these in your life?

In 2024 Otero Arts Inc of Alamogordo, NM will host FREE workshops for you and a few of your peers to sit together and write, in a supportive space for honest written expression. There is something about moving the pen or putting a thought on paper that can deeply satisfy — even heal. However, this event is NOT offered as therapy and we have no political intent — such discussion will be actively discouraged. Facilitators will provide reminders as needed about maintaining a spirit of mutual acceptance and encouragement.

All participants will be interviewed in advance. There will be "no drop-ins" to distract us from our work. Refreshments will be provided and all writers are encouraged to stay for the entire 3 hours per session, but you may take as many breaks as you need or leave when you wish.

There are no requirements about writing ability, and you are NOT expected to share what you write. However, there will be opportunities for feedback from a writing coach and to share your work with the group should you be interested.

Facilitators for these workshops have taken guidance from Warrior Writers, the Veteran Civilian Dialogue, and Women Veterans Empowered and Thriving, organizations that have encouraged similar forms of self-expression by dozens of veterans and family members like you. We endeavor to make this a safe and rewarding experience for all participants.

TO APPLY, PLEASE CALL 845-797-3642 or Email:

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