



LitChat June 28 & 30

Topic of the Week: Write What You Love

Open Chats

The transcripts below cover the #litchat conversation noted above. The order appears sequentially from opening post to the closing post within the #litchat published chat time.

MONDAY, July 28, 2010

LitChat Welcome to a new week in #litchat -1:01 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM Hi all #litchat -1:01 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam Locked and loaded in #LitChat. Let's Chat it up :-) -1:01 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM It is soooooo hot here #litchat -1:02 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @Hayley_DM Where is here? #litchat -1:02 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LitChat Our topic this week is WRITE WHAT YOU LOVE. We'll discuss authors who write books featuring their pleasures. Guilty or not. #litchat -1:02 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LitChat Where are you? RT @Hayley_DM: It is soooooo hot here #litchat -1:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SesshasWorld wow - I'm actually around for #litchat this time - amazing - now watch the thunderstorm take out the power :(-1:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010

ImMargoNiWrite RT @LitChat: Our topic this week is WRITE WHAT YOU LOVE. We'll discuss authors who write books featuring their pleasures. Guilty or not. #litchat -1:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @LitChat Oooh, so by "here" @Hayley_DM was referring to #litchat. :-) -1:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SOBeUrsel Writing what you love means closing yourself from the trends and taking the risk that people will share ur passion #litchat -1:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LitChat Let's begin with introductions, plus a bit about what you love and do you write about it? #litchat -1:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TracyClark_TLC RT @LitChat: Our topic : WRITE WHAT YOU LOVE. We'll discuss authors who write books featuring their pleasures. Guilty or not. #litchat -1:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam RT @LitChat: Our topic this week is WRITE WHAT YOU LOVE. We'll discuss authors who write books featuring their pleasures. Guilty or not. #litchat -1:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010

JMoncktonSmith i am lucky I write what I love - or am passionate about anyway #litchat -1:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010

authorwritis RT @LitChat: Five minutes to #litchat. Grab a drink, a snack, an appetite, as our topic is WRITE WHAT YOU LOVE. Join us. -1:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LeahPetersen Ha! Topic reminds me: Me: my stories are weird, why write them? Friend: there are lots of weird people, they might like them too #litchat -1:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010

latta On now. --> Rt @LitChat: #litchat. Grab a drink, a snack, an appetite, as our topic is #WRITE WHAT YOU LOVE. Join us. -1:05 PM Jun 28th, 2010

krisriggle <---author of novels about family and complex relationships, which are exactly the type of books I love best. #litchat -1:05 PM Jun 28th, 2010

binduwiles RT @AnneTylerLord: Big change from unexpected places - Yoga & Writing Challenge: The Trip Thru 21 Days #Writers_Life #litchat #215800 <http://ow.ly/247fs> -1:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam I'm William, published Indie author. I love relationships, the topics of religion, race. Relationships are at the core of my work. #litchat -1:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Gale_Martin @LitChat Hmm. Don't always write about what I love. But I write in a style I like to read. #litchat -1:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant Hello. Not late, or at least not very late. #litchat -1:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010

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| GeneDoucette I write what I want to read. Does that count? #litchat -1:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld I only write what I love - it's hard enough, why make it even more difficult? #litchat -1:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| ErikaRobuck @LitChat Just lurking for a bit. Monday=Hockey. Hate to rush summer, but secretly longing for school days so I have more time for #litchat! -1:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks Hi from NW MT! I wrote God's Thunderbolt: The Vigilantes of Montana, winner of the 2009 Spur for Best First Novel. #litchat -1:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| pfallerj If you don't write what you love, why would you think other people would love it too? #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @krisriggle Here, here. Love it. #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrsel My name's Mark - I love exploring the true nature of things, and use that exploration as a vehicle 4theme in my writing #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock Good thing I'm an "indie" having self-published a little e-book about writing, the topic I love. And editing. I write lots other. #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GloriousPaper #LitChat is on folks! This week's topic: Write What You Love. Please use hashtags responsibly :) -1:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| brandg Wish I could say that I write what I love, but I very often have to hurt my protagonists seriously, so they can overcome. (shrug) #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant RT @krisriggle: <-author of novels about family and complex relationships, which are exactly the type of books I love best. DITTO #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CathrynGrant @GeneDoucette me too .. I think it counts #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| ErikaRobuck @LitChat I love Hemingway, Key West, historical fiction, and emotional grown in characters, thus it's all the subject of my WIP. #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| krisriggle Absolutely. RT @GeneDoucette: I write what I want to read. Does that count? #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| ridingnwriting @LeahPetersen That's what I love about having friends who double as sounding borads. They understand what you are trying to write. #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @ErikaRobuck Glad to see you if just for a bit :) #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LeahPetersen <--- name, my writing style I can't help but write what I love. I write the stories I'm "reading" in my head #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CathrynGrant @LeahPetersen thanks for the reminder, mine stories are weird too. #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LeahPetersen RT @pfallerj: If you don't write what you love, why would you think other people would love it too? #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette ...and I just love to read those limericks on the bathroom stalls, so... #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| pussreboots RT @krisriggle: Absolutely. RT @GeneDoucette: I write what I want to read. Does that count? #litchat (Me too) -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolyBurnsBass Things I love and like to write about: People. Culture. Relationships. Music. Art. Food. Books. Travel. #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JulieeJohnsonn I'm Julie, I'm writing a 'comedic regency mystery'...becuz I love mysteries, the Regency period + funny books! #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock The queen of the "indie" realm, @CarolBMTbooks told me she has the next part of great advice about SP up on her blog -- link, Carol #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

jesshartley RT @GloriousPaper: #LitChat is on folks! This week's topic: Write What You Love. Please use hashtags responsibly :) -1:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LeahPetersen @GeneDoucette LOL! #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks My grandparents were part of MT history. I want to write their stories, so they won't be forgotten. #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

jbeemills Maybe if you always write what you love, you might never find new loves. #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

JulieeJohnsonn I think if you love what you are writing about, it sustains you thru all the difficult times...you wouldn't last otherwise #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM @AuthorWilliam London, UK #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SOBeUrself My love 4my writing is my own reminder that if at least 1person likes it (me) then I just might hav an audience out there #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

JulieeJohnsonn when you love what you write, it comes thru in the writing...it has passion + connection...the reader awakes & feels it 2 #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 28th, 2010

krisriggle Interesting... We should stay open minded. RT @jbeemills: Maybe if you always write what you love, you might never find new loves. #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SesshasWorld I love my characters, if I didn't I wouldn't be so cruel to them ;) it keeps the emotions real #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SOBeUrself RT @JulieeJohnsonn: I think if you love what you are writing about, it sustains you thru all the difficult times...you wouldn't last otherwise #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Gale_Martin @jbeemills excellent point about finding new loves #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LitChat Let's discuss this more. RT @pfallerj: If you dont write what you love, why would you think other people would love it too? #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant What happens when those who have been writing what they love, find publishers (traditional) not loving it so much any more? #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @LitChat WIP is about an evil, manipulative, spoiled rotten rich bitch, so, yeah, I guess I write about what I love #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GeneDoucette @JulieeJohnsonn I literally can't finish it if it isn't something I enjoy reading/writing #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 28th, 2010

latta RT @jbeemills: Maybe if you always write what you love, you might never find new loves. #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 28th, 2010

dontlikeclowns Any lit peeps have an opinion on Outer Banks Publishing or Anthony Policastro? #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks RT @GLHancock: The queen of the "indie" realm, @CarolBMTbooks told me she has the next part of great advice about SP up on her blog -- link, Carol #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @brandg Perhaps you love to see characters breakthrough in certain ways? #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GLHancock @LitChat I certainly read about a lot more topics than only what I love. Why would people not read anything else? #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SOBeUrself @jbeemills whenever there's no love - it shows, at least for me, & forced writing is the worst kind #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010

ErikaRobuck If you don't have passion for your subject matter, you can't expect it from the reader. #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant Do you reinvent yourself--your style/topics--find something new to love in order to stay published? Go the independent route? #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010

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| GeneDoucette @latta @jbeemills ah, but that's where reading comes in. I am a very fickle reader, always finding new loves. #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| ReadItForward Most authors I know write what they love - tough profession otherwise! #litchat Also, hard to do it well if you're not truly invested -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @deberryandgrant publishers don't necessarily like it now - but my readers do. Find your audience and the pubs will follow #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| pfallerj @SesshasWorld Def makes it easier to get excited about spending the extra time to make something perfect & share it with the world #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @LitChat I don't believe formula writers always love their potboilers. Arthur Conan Doyle HATED Sherlock Holmes #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| jbeemills I write ads for a living. I don't love it, but I've never learned more about audience. #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| ShaliniBoland My latest character is based on my 7-yr-old son. On how he reacts, how he talks etc. So yes, I'm currently write what I love. #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @latta @beemills Not a chance. Not enough time now for all my literary loves. #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette I don't love everything I write, but most of it is good for a quickie. #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| brandg @AuthorWilliam Good point. The love of triumph over adversity can get us to write some adversity we definitely don't love. #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant RT @jbeemills: I write ads for a living. I dont love it, but Ive never learned more about audience. #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @CarolBMTbooks I love my characters more than the plot - as long as I keep it true to them everything else is changeable #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| ShaliniBoland My latest character is based on my 7-yr-old son. On how he reacts, how he talks etc. So yes, I'm currently writing what I love. #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @TaoJoannes That's because Conan-Doyle was a credulous nut #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| wildbloom Hey folks. Danielle checking in to #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock If people were unable to write other than what they love, we would have no journalists, magazines, newspapers. #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CathrynGrant @jbeemills I write competitive rebuttals for a living, I never thought about it teaching me about conflict. #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam RT @brandg: The love of triumph over adversity can get us to write some adversity we definitely don't love.<<<Yes! #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| pfallerj @jbeemills Interesting angle. Most people are talking about writing on spec, where payment is a maybe #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrsel I've sacrificed more 4my book than most ppl in my life. If that's not love...#litchat -1:14 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant @AuthorWilliam Don't all characters need a breakthrough, to experience some kind of growth or change in the course of the story? #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| krisriggle @GLHancock I put journalism in a whole other category than my literary pursuits. #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @wildbloom Welcome, Danielle! #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

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| TaoJoannes @GeneDoucette perhaps, but it's the reason he made him addicted to cocaine, he hoped people would turn away #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JulieeJohnsonn @SesshasWorld I love my characters 2! In fact, I'm finding it hard 2 make 1 of them a 'villain'...but my story needs a 'bad guy' :) #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @GLHancock last time I checked we were running pretty low on journalists, magazines and newspapers, actually #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| jesshartley Like with relationships, love is a vital part, but there's more to a good relationship (book) than loving someone (what you write). #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| IreneZiegler RT @jbeemills: Maybe if you always write what you love, you might never find new loves. #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| wildbloom @AuthorWilliam Thank you! #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| shaboom RT @AnneTylerLord: Big change from unexpected places - Yoga & Writing Challenge #Writers_Life #litchat #215800 http://ow.ly/247fs -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| pfallerj @jbeemills for the group - if you were getting paid to write, novel, short, poem, whatev, would that change how you tackle it? #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @SesshasWorld I love my characters & their stories. #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @GeneDoucette And the world will be worse off for it. Journalists also write literary nonfiction books. #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @JulieeJohnsonn I love the evil in them too - it's that contrast that makes them excitingly human. #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @deberryandgrant Sure, @Brandg had first excluded love from this process, And I then I liked is line about "the love of triumph" #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JulieeJohnsonn @GLHancock Re: magazine/news/etc but I bet those writers love the inquiry...there must be something that connects them...? #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| pussreboots @JulieeJohnsonn Find a character flaw and exploit it to make your character a villian. #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolyBurnsBass @deberryandgrant Authors w/ stale pub experiences should explore new horizons. Find new agent/publisher willing to push for them. #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant RT @jesshartley:Like w/relationships,love is vital part,but there's more to good relationship/bk than loving sum1e (what u write). #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| bypetal I'm half here, half asleep it's pretty early. #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| latta @ReadItForward depends on writing. Yr novel may be yr love, but perhaps you must write articles on non-loves to put food on table #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Reader_Writer RT @horriblesanity @thecreativepenn The Creative Penn How to Call on Your Muse #writechat #litchat #books #amwr... http://bit.ly/b9G8SH -1:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @pfallerj then it's a commission - do it to the best of your ability to please #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @deberryandgrant depends on what you're going for, consider Jovanovich, Dan Brown #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| IreneZiegler I write what I feel confident about. I leave the things I love to the experts. #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| jbeemills @pfallerj I always change my approach based on audience. Be it a play, novel or an ad. The reader is the point. #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre RT @SesshasWorld, CarolBMTbooks I love my chars more thn the plot - as long as I keep it true to thm everythng else is changeable #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

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| emktr @GLHancock Though to be a good journalist, you do have to love it. Not every single story, but the field in general. #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @JulieeJohnsonn Sorry, what was the question? love what inquiry? #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @jesshartley Besides loving someone, there's the hard work in maintaining the relationship! #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| smolderingink When it comes to writing what you love, it's best to practice polyamory. #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @CarolBMTbooks once I know them they tell me their story - that's the most fun ;) #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM If you write what you have a passion for it will shine through in your writing #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @GLHancock no disagreement there #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JulieeJohnsonn I think most writers 2 R 'wordsmiths'...we just like tinkering w words + communication...its how I survived some of my office jobs! #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat Great questions coming in the feed, I'll RT many of them for closer discussion. #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @emktr That is the love of writing, being a writer, not writing about what you love. I did one obit and it did me in! #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| bypetal I find I will often write about pain which I don't love but I do that to try to improve the life of others which i do love #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| IreneZiegler @jbeemills RE: the reader is the point. I agree! #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| 85Broads RT @LitChat: Our topic this week is WRITE WHAT YOU LOVE. We'll discuss authors who write books featuring their pleasures. Guilty or not. #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself I can't write on spec precisely bc I don't love it. It feels wrong. Not good 4the wallet, but plenty good 4the heart. #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM Connecting with the characters means the reader will too - hopefully! #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JM_Kelley RT @Hayley_DM: If you write what you have a passion for it will shine through in your writing #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks Navigating the self-publishing wilderness: http://budurl.com/wzf9 #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre I think it's okay to love your villains - even the insane ones. That love cms thru & mks them 3D. #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant I think writing involves some things you both love and don't love but may also have strong feelings/opinions about #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette All in all, this topic is making me very uncomfortable about my serial killer screenplay #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @latta are gov docs literature? or is the scope of the discussion "any written word" #litchat -1:25 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself @IreneZiegler I commend you. I'm not nearly as versatile. #litchat -1:25 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AMChristman When it comes to writing what you love, don't let the genre define you. You define the genre #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam Are we frozen here? #litchat #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

BookEditorLM RT @JulieeJohnsonn: I think most writers 2 R 'wordsmiths'...we just like tinkering w words + communication...its how I survived some of my office jobs! #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GeneDoucette @taojoannes abt a killer who brutally murders fake psychics while looking for true magic. I think I am living vicariously, yes. #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SesshasWorld @GeneDoucette it shouldn't - you can love the twisted puzzle that makes him tick ;) #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @robynmcintyre Love your villains: Yes! Otherwise, they'll be cardboard.#litchat -1:26 PM Jun 28th, 2010

BDCWB RT @AuthorWilliam: There's an abundant number of ways love plays into the creative process. It's not just loving a subject but loving process also #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 28th, 2010

robynmcintyre @thehippieslaugh Funny how increasd knowledge cn increase interest as well. Maybe thts why we lk ppl better whn we get to know thm? #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @litchat, sorry, earlier I meant Janet Evanovich, absolutely 0 character growth, perhaps true for most mysteries? #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LitChat RT @pfallerj: for the group - if you were getting paid to write, novel, short, poem, whatev, would that change how you tackle it? #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 28th, 2010

JulieeJohnsonn RT @deberryandgrant: I think writing involves some things you both love and don't love but may also have strong feelings/opinions about #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @GeneDoucette so writing is, itself, an act of love, for vicarious experience of that which is beyond us #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @GeneDoucette Serial killer screenplay? Why uncomfortable? #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 28th, 2010

pusreboots RT @CarolBMTbooks: @robynmcintyre Love your villains: Yes! Otherwise, they'll be cardboard.#litchat -1:28 PM Jun 28th, 2010

ShaliniBoland RT @AMChristman: When it comes to writing what you love, don't let the genre define you. You define the genre #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM Are we freezing here, or is it just me? #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 28th, 2010

jbeemills RT @AuthorWilliam: There's an abundant number of ways love plays into the creative process. It's not just loving a subject but loving process also #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @GeneDoucette or maybe love for the search for others to understand our experience? #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GeneDoucette @CarolBMTbooks sort of kidding. But I also didn't blink when describing graphic evisceration. so maybe I'm not kidding #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LitChat Thanks for joining us. RT @bypetal: Im half here, half asleep its pretty early. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 28th, 2010

wildbloom @LitChat I think so. I write my articles differently than I write my novels simply due to length. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 28th, 2010

JeffreyHite @brandg hurting your protag is sometimes the only way to get them to do what you need them to do #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SesshasWorld @TaoJoannes as is reading, is it not ;) #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @Hayley_DM hashtags have been very spotty lately #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 28th, 2010

brandg @LitChat Getting paid to write would only change the amount of time I'd have available. . . nothing else, really. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 28th, 2010

BookEditorLM @AuthorWilliam I agree -- writers love 2 play w/ words 2 make sentences that ____, just as painters love to play w/ paints to.. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 28th, 2010

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| robynmcintyre @TaoJoannes Evanovitch's wrk is less mystery thn comedy but agree mst mysteries abt puzzle, nt chars. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @JeffreyHite you only hurt theones you love - isn't that the saying? #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant @LitChat @pfallerj Hopefully you've been hired b/c pub likes what you do.But 1ce a check's involved there may be compromises #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @CarolBMTbooks Yes, but only because I haven't figured out how to actually be 25 again. #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM There is a fine line between love and hate - anymore cliches? #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @GeneDoucette I had to get retty graphic with the Vigilantes' hangings, too. They were the good guys.#litchat -1:30 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| writercendrinem Hello everyone, what did I miss? #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| jbeemills I have a hard time hurting my precious protags. I need to learn to be more vicious. #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AppleiCat @LitChat Probably not; getting paid to do something never increased my motivation for anything else, ha! #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| bypetal I think great writing comes from being passionate in what ur writing, you don't have to 'love' the topic but need some emotion #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @CarolBMTbooks Did you have people say "I couldn't get through that, it was too bloody" and not know what they were talking abt? #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @BDCWB Thank you! Glad hit home a little. I use the love of process like high octane fuel. I have to. #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JeffreyHite @LitChat hello all, I am Jeff Hite, Co editor of Flying island Press. #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| wildbloom My poor characters. They die off left and right at a moment's notice. #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself I don't love wordplay, I love finding more poignant ways to describe emotions/conflict. The two are different, IMHO. #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| writercendrinem I think artists need to stop saying that being paid is not a motivation. We need to value our products. #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| wildbloom @writercendrinem Welcome! #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant @AuthorWilliam Abusive relationships, sociopath's like Hannibal Lechter #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre @JeffreyHite Hello, Jeff - dive write in with your passion! #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM I get paid to do my day job - does not make me run out of the door each morning!!! #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @CarolBMTbooks I hear that and think "really?" It came from my head, and I didn't really think of it that way. #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @jbeemills I abuse mine terribly physically and emotionally - it makes them grow in such interesting ways ;) #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| writercendrinem @wildbloom Thank you very much! What is the topic? #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CathrynGrant @byPetaL good distinction. #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

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| GeneDoucette @wildbloom I have a very contentious relationship with my narrator. #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @jbeemills It's an interesting experience to do it. How do you do with having your protag to "very bad" things? #litchat #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks I always think I'm getting paid to write my novels. I keep the audience in mind. #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| brandg @writercendrinem It's not that I don't value my work. It's just that I don't see any payment matching the labor that goes into it. #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JM_Kelley @jbeemills I love to emotionally torture my characters. I adore causing them angst . #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AppleiCat @jbeemills Conversely, I have no compunction whatsoever about torturing my heroines. :D Oh, and hi! :) #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @SesshasWorld reading and writing are both quests to understand and be understood, experiencing, communicating, identifying #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| KevinMCooke Hi everyone #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself @jbeemills I love to hurt my protags - bc only then can they show who they really are. #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LetterMaster Glad to join #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| wildbloom @writercendrinem Loving your... something! I can't remember. LOL #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| KevinMCooke So what is on the topic board today? #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| pussreboots RT @TaoJoannes: reading and writing are both quests to understand and be understood, experiencing, communicating, identifying #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| ShaliniBoland Am slightly too in love with Twitter at the moment. My novel is getting jealous #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat WRITE WHAT YOU LOVE. RT @writercendrinem: @wildbloom Thank you very much! What is the topic? #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @GeneDoucette Once or twice (re: too bloody) #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| wildbloom @KevinMCooke Hey Kevin! #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @robynmccintyre mystery series versus epic fantasy for example, puzzle/plot vs character growth #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| jbeemills Everyone is so ruthless with their characters...love it! Need a lesson. #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| KevinMCooke I wrote a YA novel with dogs as my main characters. They are inspired from my own pets and my love for dogs in general #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| kriheli i dont think getting paid changes anything - u still have to write it. there is no quality meter, so i suspect most would wing it. #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette gotta pack up & head home. if by some tragic error I am not following u, it's b/c I'm too tired 2day. Follow me, & I'll b sure to. #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| jbeemills RT @ShaliniBoland: Am slightly too in love with Twitter at the moment. My novel is getting jealous #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @SesshasWorld and I just came up with that pithy platitude right now, lol #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| brandg @SOBeUrself Do you know the writings of Shan Yu? (FireFly) #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| sbenji496 Hi everyone at #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

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| LitChat Glad you're joining us today. RT @JeffreyHite: @LitChat hello all, I am Jeff Hite, Co editor of Flying island Press. #litchat -1:37 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| wildbloom @michaelmhughes Welcome! #litchat -1:37 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat Adding #litchat RT @kdmccrite: @LitChat I like intense stories that challenge long-held beliefs and showcase a new way of thinking. -1:38 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself @ShaliniBoland I think thats a serious rsk 4all of us. Who's the mistress &who's the lover when it comes 2our writing &social media #litchat -1:38 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre @michaelmhughes Family show, Michael - get sm clothes on. LOL #litchat -1:38 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @SOBeUrself Test them & their true character comes out. Sort of like God. #litchat -1:38 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @TaoJoannes I pretty much stick to hot guys, sex and abuse - seems to work and I definitely love it! #litchat -1:38 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat Adding #litchat RT @PIBarrington: @LitChat I love all the creative arts, music is my soul; writing my 'gift'. I follow where they lead. -1:38 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself @brandg No..n e partic. reason why? #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| jbeemills I wonder if getting paid/a guaranteed audience makes you more brave or less brave? #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JulieeJohnsonn I think if I start worrying about how the 'marketplace' is going 2 react2 my labor of love/novel, I'll never finish the dang thing! #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JMoncktonSmith @LitChat that's my book! #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| latta #litchat. Loves change. For instance, I used to really love whales. Then came twtr. -1:39 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @deberryandgrant If protag escapes an abusive relationship is there not empowerment to love or if tragic love of raising awareness? #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @robynmcintyre I think you need a good mix, if it's all about "THE LESSON!!!" it's just as bad as "THE PLOT TWIST!!!" #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre @SOBeUrself Can't it vary, different days? I get gd insight frm Twitter, but sm days get lost in writing instd. #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself RT @CarolBMTbooks: @SOBeUrself Test them & their true character comes out. Sort of like God. #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @ripsteveir I lost the context. Who's "they" in "when they strike"? #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat RT @PIBarrington: #LitChat I write what I hope will affect people or at least entertain in some way. I always try to improve my writing. -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| ShaliniBoland @robynmcintyre So true! the research we do for our books can lead to some wonderful discoveries - love, love, love that #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Teri8D @latta That's hysterical! LOL #LitChat -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @SesshasWorld women, graphic violence, and bodily fluids, usually a rape or death or two. I need therapy, lol #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre RT @BubbleCow: We are now using FB to give writers even more interesting writing links. Check it out - http://bit.ly/9PenrL #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @JulieeJohnsonn I agree if you're going to worry the time is before you start ;) #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

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| brandg @writercendrinem I get that. I'm just saying that I value the writing differently. In money terms, it wouldn't work. #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| writercendrinem @AppleiCat It is not about you per say, it is about how outsiders perceive us. The main reason why a lot of authors #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself @robynmcintyre I cert. can - it's simply a slippery slope. #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| megwaiteclayton I'm going to jump in with a terrific book giveaway, with apologies that I can't stay; the tech is here to install my new screen. #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat We're discussing topic, WRITE WHAT YOU LOVE. RT @writercendrinem: Hello everyone, what did I miss? #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @GeneDoucette Blood doesn't bother me, but cruelty does. Sadism gives me nightmares. #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM I am writing about domestic violence, not a love of mine but the need to get the story right is #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant @AuthorWilliam That may well be the outcome, but even so, I couldn't call that "writing what I love." #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @latta yeah, can we get some japanese to take care of that thing? #litchat #eviljokes -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| writercendrinem @AppleiCat and other independent artists are not taken seriously, is because they keep justifying themselves for what they do... #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat Adding #litchat RT @kdmccrite: @LitChat I like intense stories that challenge long-held beliefs and showcase a new way of thinking. #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| megwaiteclayton Win 120 books 4 your Book Club - incl my 1st, THE LANGUAGE OF LIGHT! Details@http://tinyurl.com/2329geu RT w/ #yearofbooks 2 enter #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Zoe_E_W RT @wildbloom: My poor characters. They die off left and right at a moment's notice. #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @AuthorWilliam I use both - it's the growth and recovery that adds the emotional hue #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat Adding #litchat RT @JeffreyHite: I think that getting paid to write would probably change my priority to write. Moving it closer to the top. -1:42 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Zoe_E_W @wildbloom I've had three die right off the bat in my latest WIP. #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JeffreyHite #LitChat -1:42 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| brandg @SOBeUrself Shan Yu said, "live with a man 40 years. Then hold him over the volcano's edge. On that day you will meet the man." #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| happyyandybear @JulieeJohnsonn I feel like I can only write something that I like, and hope that others will like it too. #bestplan #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock When I began my writing career, I wrote about what I loved, until I learned that "the environment" pubs don't pay dirt! #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| wildbloom @Zoe_E_W Don't you love it? #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| michaelmhughes I write not just about what I love, but what I love to *think* about. #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| brandg Firefly quote abbreviated for Twitter. You can find the full quote here: http://bit.ly/dly9gW #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| writercendrinem @brandg I understand what you are saying. If you just write for fun, I agree. But if you sell books, it's a different story. #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

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| CarolBMTbooks It's getting so that maintaining some long-held beliefs challenges the status quo. #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @wildbloomLOL, James Bond is 100% fatal STD #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| jbeemills It's like Star Trek on my #wip. Only the random 1-dimensional characters are dying off, ha! #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM Getting paid to write would give me more time to do so as I would not be at my "real job" all day #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself @brandg Conflict/fear invokes our true nature. Absolutely. #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| writercendrinem @LitChat Thank you very much! #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| montanabusiness RT @CarolBMTbooks: Hi from NW MT! I wrote God's Thunderbolt: The Vigilantes of Montana, winner of the 2009 Spur for Best First Novel. #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant @LitChat @JeffreyHite Yes deadlines definitely move writing to the top of your to do list. #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| happyandybear @Hayley_DM I got laid off, so I have plenty of time to write. =] haha. #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @taojoannes I write homoerotic abuse - my husband worries about my mental health ;) #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @deberryandgrant That's fair. Though I think its inbounds to explore this topic in terms of other ways that love inspires the work. #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock Just to be clear: I write for pay. I edit for pay. I review books for pay from the pubs, not anyone else! Bills are a great prod! #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| goldenwordsmith @LitChat Hello, sounds like a lovely topic...kind of been my theme over the weekend. #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @GLHancock Westerns pay less than that! But I write them anyway, only nontraditional Western stories based on the west as it was. #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks RT @GLHancock: Just to be clear: I write for pay. I edit for pay. I review books for pay from the pubs, not anyone else! Bills are a great prod! #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JeffreyHite #LitChat Writing what I love is less about a subject, or even a genre, & more abt the love of writing in general, If a story works it works -1:45 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM @happyandybear Enjoy the time you have to write now #litchat -1:46 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @happyandybear me too - I've been writing full time ever since! #litchat -1:46 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AppleiCat @jbeemills Oh, you meant KILL them? No, I don't do that...except in that one thing where all seven protags attempted suicide. ^_^;; #litchat -1:46 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself I love that 45mns has already gone by - no truer indication that I love this convo & its subject matter #litchat -1:46 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant @AuthorWilliam OK. And maybe I've been at this too long. I love what I do, but it still is my J.O.B. #litchat -1:46 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| sharifwrites @deberryandgrant Deadlines put me in sleepless mode--and at times panic--but they're a great motivator for me. #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @taojoannes there are SOOOO many possibilities - and, believe e, I've used them all #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JulieeJohnsonn will my attitude change 1nc I start 2 look 4 publisher...will I mold it 2 fit the 'market'? when do U stand firm re: your vision? #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

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| wildbloom I get a little killhappy sometimes with my stories. In emotionally strange twists. #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GargoylePhan RT @AuthorWilliam: I'm William, published Indie author. I love relationships, the topics of religion, race. Relationships are at the core of my work. #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM Where has that 45 mins gone? #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @GLHancock writing for love of eating and paying rent, not a bad motivator, lol #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @robynmcintyre buyin bulk - that's the ticket ;) #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks Dr. Johnson said, "None but a fool writes for aught but money." I like money, too. Hope someday to make more! #litchat (Gotta eat.) -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Ilikewoods RT @CarolBMTbooks: Hi from NW MT! I wrote God's Thunderbolt: The Vigilantes of Montana, winner of the 2009 Spur for Best First Novel. #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant RT @TaoJoannes: @GLHancock writing for love of eating and paying rent, not a bad motivator, lol <-I hear ya! #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| writercendrinem @sharifwrites I agree with you. Deadlines matter. I usually give myself big ones. lol #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JeffreyHite @deberryandgrant #litchat yes deadlines help, but do the help if they are self imposed or do they only help if they cost you. -1:48 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| TaoJoannes @SesshasWorld given your stated subject matter, I believe it #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @sharifwrites I agree. Deadlines can put your productivity in a different gear. As an indie I set them for myself. #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM I would love to be able to write full time; mortgage, kids, bills etc somehow think differently!!! #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre I've alms always written wht I love or cm to love wht I've written. Even user manuals. #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JMoncktonSmith @CarolBMTbooks Oh dear , I'm a bigger fool than I thought #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| SOBeUrself @JulieeJohnsonn If the opposite is to capitulate, then always stand firm for ur vision #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| sharifwrites @JulieeJohnsonn I think it's possible to write your vision and please the biz. #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AppleiCat Shamelessly abusing hashtag attention: http://bit.ly/ReadersRequested on http://bit.ly/WhatIShouldHaveSaid if anyone has the time. #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| wisebird2009 I'm promoting my first book, waiting on my second (with an agent) and half way through third. #litchat I'm on a roll!! -1:49 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| sharifwrites @AuthorWilliam I have real and self-imposed deadlines. They pull me out of stagnation. #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat Is there a subject you love, always wanted to write about, but something holds you back? What is it and why do you hold back? #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| michaelmhughes @JulieeJohnsonn from my experience, you will always be asked to make changes (for market or otherwise) from agent or editor. #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam RT @sharifwrites: @AuthorWilliam I have real and self-imposed deadlines. They pull me out of stagnation. #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

deberryandgrant @JeffreyHite I didn't say they "help" per se. But they definitely change environment you work in. Self imposed 1s aren't the same. #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010

badgerpendous @robynmcintyre - Yes, user manuals! Long time TW, but I love writing so much I'm happy to write docs while I'm not writing fiction. #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @Hayley_DM my SO doesn't even READ, so it's hard to convince her it's "work", dealing with that #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010

inkgypsy #litchat looks interesting today! Not normally around to catch it. -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM I would just move a self imposed deadline - lol #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010

inkgypsy @wisebird2009 Congrats! #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @JMoncktonSmith Never say that! We're all fools for something! #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AnneTylerLord I'm flying into #litchat - been having a Tom Sawyer day on the banks of the Mississippi River - aw, cool breezes & bright sun -1:50 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @LitChat after WIP I think I'll tackle Domestic Violence against Men, a severely misunderstood topic #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks RT @AuthorWilliam: @sharifwrites I agree. Deadlines can put your productivity in a different gear. As an indie I set them for myself. #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @Hayley_DM lol #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant @Hayley_DM We all move those! #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM @TaoJoannes lol #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 28th, 2010

goldenwordsmith @GLHancock Nice to love what you review, or love the review process, itself. I love promoting authors and poets. Poets, especially. #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SesshasWorld @TaoJoannes hmmm that give me an idea . . . #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM @TaoJoannes That needs greater understanding #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AnneTylerLord Hello everyone, I'm having ice cream with instant Italian coffee on top, anyone want some? #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 28th, 2010

wildbloom Thanks for the chat all! Company is back, gotta run. #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 28th, 2010

so_you_know @AnneTylerLord oh that tom sawyer bit made me smile & want lemonade. *looks for it* but #amwriting so must skip #litchat :(-1:52 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GLHancock @TaoJoannes My SO, aka husband, did read, but still did not consider it work, esp. cause I did it at home. Hmm, where I also worked #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM @AnneTylerLord Oh yes please #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SOBeUrself Kids are awaking from nap, Mr. Mom to the rescue. Thanks for sharing the love! #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 28th, 2010

jbeemills @AuthorWilliam Having my characters do bad things: Hard too. I'm a goodie 2-shoes in real life. Hard to relate. #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @SesshasWorld you can do the homo version. ;P #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam Sometimes there are topics we're struggling in our personal lives that become a struggle in our writing process. #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @robynmcintyre I wrote those too! LOL My fave was 965-p airplane user guide. #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant @sharifwrites They make me crazy, but every book contract comes with one! #litchat -1:53 PM Jun 28th, 2010

ShaliniBoland @AuthorWilliam Yep, gotta have those self-imposed deadlines. Or the love will go on for years... #litchat -1:53 PM Jun 28th, 2010

girlfrombim Hold back from fear of being less than perfect - I want my writing to be prize worthy from the first go! *shakemyhead* #litchat -1:53 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GLHancock @goldenwordsmith To tell the truth, I hate writing reviews, but it helps pay those aforementioned bills. #litchat -1:53 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @SesshasWorld and if you need a consultant with XP, hit me up, a nightmare #litchat -1:53 PM Jun 28th, 2010

jbeemills @ShaliniBoland Mostly I just keep a reader in mind while I write. Thinking: How will they take this? #litchat -1:53 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @jbeemills I can relate that. I took my MC to a pretty dark place. It would have been hard to do it without my theatre training. #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SaraBAllen peeking into #litchat secretly hoping to get a new book recommendation -1:54 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AnneTylerLord @so_you_know it was beautiful outside, one of those storybook days, but I assume you are writing and making up for World Cup time? #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 28th, 2010

sharifwrites @deberryandgrant With time and experience I hope to pace myself better in regards to deadlines. #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @ShaliniBoland Precisely, lol #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @GLHancock it's hard to "get there" with such opposition, but possible, working on it. slow and spurty wins... 2nd prize? #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 28th, 2010

robynmcintyre @girlfrombim I started shaking MY head, too! LOL #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 28th, 2010

jbeemills Gotta go write what I don't love for money. Peace out. #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant @sharifwrites It's been 20 yrs and we've NEVER finished on time #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @TaoJoannes I had that problem until I won the Spur. Now he gets it. #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LitChat What do you like? RT @SaraBAllen: peeking into #litchat secretly hoping to get a new book recommendation #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 28th, 2010

sharifwrites @deberryandgrant Oh, dear. I'll still cross my fingers. :-/ #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GLHancock @TaoJoannes Divorce helps too, tho it wasn't my idea. Guess I didn't "work" hard enough! #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @SaraBAllen Book Recommendation? Mine, of course. Guacamole Baseball <http://bit.ly/bVF7HE> #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM @CarolBMTbooks Were you waving it at him "See, this is what I do?" #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 28th, 2010

robynmcintyre @CarolBMTbooks My dad thought golf was for sissies until he found out how much \$ they mk, then he became a fan. #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 28th, 2010

girlfrombim Cycle need to be broken! RT @robynmcintyre: @girlfrombim I started shaking MY head, too! LOL #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @robynmcintyre You betcha! Clean, clear, exact. No fuss. Minimalist writing. #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Zoe_E_W @wildbloom Love it? Well no, not really. It tore me up to cut them down like that, and I argued with my muse to find another way. #litchat. -1:56 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass @girlfrombim Expectation of perfectionism on first draft is a productivity killer. Have you read BIRD BY BIRD by Anne Lamott? #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @CarolBMTbooks praying for the "IN YOUR FACE" moment. Hard to explain that everything else is torture #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 28th, 2010

SoSoulfull RT @AuthorWilliam: Sometimes there are topics we're struggling in our personal lives that become a struggle in our writing process. #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant RT @CarolyBurnsBass Expectation of perfectionism on 1st draft is a productivity killer. Read BIRD BY BIRD by Anne Lamott... #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @GLHancock my current plan is a six-month treatment center two birds with one stone, giggity #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GLHancock @LitChat Writing about what I was mad about got me through two novel manuscripts. Certainly no love, except for writing, involved. #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 28th, 2010

goldenwordsmith @LitChat Used to be a chef-held back writing cookbook+essays b/c of burnout. JUST realized, tho, if healing is involved, I feel joy #litchat -1:58 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @Hayley_DM Didn't have to. I screamed Woohoo & gave him a big hug! #litchat -1:58 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam RT @CarolyBurnsBass: @girlfrombim Expectation of perfectionism on first draft is a productivity killer. #litchat -1:58 PM Jun 28th, 2010

robnymcintyre @CarolBMTbooks Really helps one in novel writing - gd background in goals, lean prose, editing. #litchat -1:58 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks RT @ShaliniBoland: @AuthorWilliam Yep, gotta have those self-imposed deadlines. Or the love will go on for years... #litchat -1:58 PM Jun 28th, 2010

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CarolBMTbooks RT @robnymcintyre: @CarolBMTbooks Really helps one in novel writing - gd background in goals, lean prose, editing. #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM @CarolBMTbooks Good for you Honey #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 28th, 2010

sharifwrites @jbeemills I'd rather stick to goodie-2-shoes myself. I tried w/ characters doing really bad things, and it came out forced. #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 28th, 2010

brandg Gotta head home. Thanks everyone. See ya Wednesday! #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant @sharifwrites Crossing mine for you too! #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM RT @AuthorWilliam: RT @CarolyBurnsBass: @girlfrombim Expectation of perfectionism on first draft is a productivity killer. Herehere #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GLHancock @TaoJoannes You might also learn to let go ... no, not of the person, of your desire for validation from her/him #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 28th, 2010

girlfrombim @CarolyBurnsBass Nope. But I will do now! re: BIRD BY BIRD by Anne Lamott #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 28th, 2010

JeffreyHite #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @taojoannes Find a new SO? (Just sayin') #litchat -2:00 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes @CarolBMTbooks or none at all for a while, have to make past sacrifices count #litchat -2:00 PM Jun 28th, 2010

TaoJoannes Gotta go do my thing, thanks for great chat #litchat -2:01 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant @sharifwrites @jbeemills Since there are 2 of us--my writing partner's (Donna) husband says I'm Pollyanna & she's Darth Vader. Works #litchat -2:01 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks RT @GLHancock: @TaoJoannes You might also learn to let go ... no, not of the person, of your desire for validation from her/him #litchat -2:01 PM Jun 28th, 2010

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| AnneTylerLord It was a short #litchat for me, but I see great conversation - enjoy the nummies @hayley_DM @robynmcintyre @ShaliniBoland -2:01 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| ShaliniBoland @jbeemills I've only just started 2 do this with my wip & it's really helped 2 focus the story. I'm learning a lot from #litchat -2:01 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @TaoJoannes All the best! #litchat -2:01 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat @girlfrombim I found much freedom from perfectionist paralysis after reading BIRD BY BIRD. Lamott endorses a *shitty first draft*. #litchat -2:02 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM @AnneTylerLord Goodnight #litchat -2:02 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @robynmcintyre Amazing how that works! #litchat -2:02 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorofPatches Why write a novel? Because nobody went & wrote it already, otherwise you'd just just relax and read. #litchat -2:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @CarolBMTbooks Tweet me (not here) with the link to the SP article, so I can RT to my woo hoo! over 900 followers I never asked for #litchat -2:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| happyandybear @Hayley_DM @SesshasWorld I finished my first draft, and have been rewriting. It's been a great experience actually. #litchat -2:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| smolderingink Tried to follow #litchat today, but feed kept freezing. Will read thru later. Thx to all, what I did see was quite interesting. -2:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM I have every intention of just getting a first draft down then go from there - editing afterwards #litchat -2:03 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre @AnneTylerLord Thnks, Anne! #litchat -2:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat We're at the end of the #litchat hour. Does anyone have book, blog or other service they'd like to pitch? Or a non-topic Q? #litchat -2:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM @happyandybear Good for you and good luck with it #litchat -2:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| BeachyBooks RT @wisebird2009: I'm promoting my first book, waiting on my second (with an agent) and half way through third. #litchat I'm on a roll!! -2:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @SaraBallen Thank you for stopping into #litchat today :-)-2:04 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| JMoncktonSmith Here's my book out in Oct since you asked http://tinyurl.com/243omrq #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| girlfrombim @LitChat Thanks - sourcing Bird by Bird as I type. #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @LitChat For a good time editing, call 858-571-5390 (moi). Excellent edits, too. And writing. #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM Lovely to see all my #litchat friends, miss you guys when I can't make it! #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| jesshartley Thanks to everyone at #litchat! -2:05 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| indiepride @LitChat Sure I can pitch the store! http://bit.ly/2auQ6I The best indie books ;) #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre I've gotta do STUFF, but (as usual) got some good insight frm the conversation! Thanks @LitChat. #litchat -2:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre @BeachyBooks Good for you! #litchat -2:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| LitChat Be sure to come back on Wednesday when we'll get specific about books and authors who write what they love. #litchat -2:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| robynmcintyre RT @LitChat: Be sure to come back on Wednesday when we'll get specific about books and authors who write what they love. #litchat -2:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |
| Hayley_DM www.marchingwildly.wordpress.com #litchat -2:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010 |

AuthorofPatches @LitChat Patches of Grey <http://tinyurl.com/c4t745> <http://tinyurl.com/ydoamc3> My favorite book (that I've written) :-) #litchat -2:06 PM Jun 28th, 2010

robymcintyre RT @indiepride: @LitChat Sure I can pitch the store! <http://bit.ly/2auQ6I> The best indie books ;) #litchat -2:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM RT @LitChat: Be sure to come back on Wednesday when well get specific about books and authors who write what they love. #litchat -2:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks I'll always mention God's Thunderbolt: The Vigilantes of Montana. PW: Excellent western w/ intense moral gravity #litchat Amazon.com -2:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010

LitChat Then on Friday, @AlexCampion, author of THE GRAVE GOURMET joins us as guest host. He's a food writer and novelist. #litchat -2:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010

GLHancock @LitChat Find my love affair with writing at <http://www.writers-edge.info/Success.htm> Blogging at awritersedge.posterous.com #litchat -2:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010

sharifwrites @deberryandgrant That's a good combo. I can see why that works. #litchat -2:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam I wrote THE DARK PROVINCE out of my love for the topic of religion vs. faith and sexual duplicity in culture #litchat www.darkprovince.com -2:07 PM Jun 28th, 2010

robymcintyre My blog's abt social media for (very) small nonprofits. <http://twurl.nl/aazfov> #litchat -2:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @LitChat Thanks for the pitch op #litchat :-) -2:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks Thank you for #litchat! Good luck everyone! -2:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010

michaelmhughes I wrote about my journey from beginning novelist to "semi-published" writer: <http://bit.ly/9JnXjh> #litchat -2:08 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM <http://marchingwildly.wordpress.com/> - My blog #litchat -2:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

JMoncktonSmith RT @AuthorWilliam: @LitChat Thanks for the pitch op #litchat :-) #litchat -2:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks RT @Hayley_DM: RT @LitChat: Be sure to come back on Wednesday when well get specific about books and authors who write what they love. #litchat -2:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam Thanks to @LitChat for another great discussion precisely moderated! #litchat -2:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks RT @GLHancock: @LitChat Find my love affair with writing at <http://www.writers-edge.info/Success.htm> Blogging at awritersedge.posterous.com #litchat -2:09 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Hayley_DM Thanks for another great discussion #litchat -2:10 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant RT @LitChat: Be sure to come back on Wednesday when well get specific about books and authors who write what they love. #litchat -2:11 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam RT @LitChat: Be sure to come back on Wednesday when we'll get specific about books and authors who write what they love. #litchat -2:11 PM Jun 28th, 2010

ShaliniBoland @LitChat Thanks so much for a great #litchat xx -2:12 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant Thanks everyone! Love litchat, miss it when I can't make it... #litchat -2:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010

latta #litchat Recommend folks read the 3-article piece on agents & what they do in July @poetswritersinc mag. Good bkgrnd & some contractual items -2:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010

THahnBurkett So true. RT @ErikaRobuck: If you don't have passion for your subject matter, you can't expect it from the reader. #litchat -2:13 PM Jun 28th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @deberryandgrant Take care today! #litchat -2:14 PM Jun 28th, 2010

Writers_Life Big change from unexpected places - Yoga & Writing Challenge: The Trip Thru 21 Days #Writers_Life #litchat #215800 <http://ow.ly/247gK> -2:15 PM Jun 28th, 2010

ShaliniBoland RT @AuthorWilliam: I wrote THE DARK PROVINCE out of my love for the topic of religion vs. faith and sexual duplicity in culture #litchat www.darkprovince.com -2:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010

indiepride RT @robynmcintyre: Sure I can pitch the store! <http://bit.ly/2auQ6l> The best indie books ;) #litchat - THANKS FOR THE RT -2:16 PM Jun 28th, 2010

latta @CarolyBurnsBass never had twtr lock up on me mid-tweet so many times in one #litchat. Arrgh. Surely world is not discussing Kagan hearings. -2:17 PM Jun 28th, 2010

deberryandgrant @AuthorWilliam Just today? LOL. Tomorrow I shall be reckless!!! #litchat -2:18 PM Jun 28th, 2010

happyyandybear @Hayley_DM thankyou. #litchat -2:18 PM Jun 28th, 2010

jbeemills @sharifwrites Good point. You don't have to be bad to be interesting. Unless I'm a total bore. Possible. #litchat -2:22 PM Jun 28th, 2010

jbeemills @ShaliniBoland Yes, it really helps. Even when your audience is sort of undefined. #litchat -2:23 PM Jun 28th, 2010

WEDNESDAY, June 28, 2010

LitChat Here we go for Wednesday's #litchat. We're talking today about authors whose novels feature what they love. Join us! -1:00 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam #litchat is starting. Think you'll drop by? -1:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

TheNewAuthor I made it to one of the #litchat sessions. I wasn't sure if time would allow me to this week. -1:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @LitChat Locked and loaded! #litchat -1:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat Good question. Maybe we'll tackle this in a future topic. RT @bookswim: Are there novelists who write about what they hate? #litchat -1:03 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock Feel sure Kamran Pasha loves Islam. He writes with such passion about it. Now reading SHADOW OF THE SWORDS. His first was good, 2. #litchat -1:03 PM Jun 30th, 2010

FrankDiCesare Returning to #litchat after a week's hiatus. Glad to be back. -1:03 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld ooo - 2Xs in 1 week I've been around for #litchat - a record! -1:03 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat Easy way to follow #litchat is through <http://bit.ly/cmzylg>. Login w/Twitter and away you go. See you there. -1:03 PM Jun 30th, 2010

brandg Authors who write about what they hate: Upton Sinclair. :) #litchat -1:04 PM Jun 30th, 2010

FrankDiCesare @brandg Good one! #litchat -1:04 PM Jun 30th, 2010

girlfrombim This is what I get when I try to log in go tweetchat "Twitter is sick. Imagine a hilarious graphic here to make you less mad..." #litchat -1:05 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CathrynLouis Hi! Cathryn Louis, author of Sunrise on the Pier. Check out my interview @WNW, about my love of tech & writing about it. #litchat -1:05 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock You can't miss Alexis Wright's love & devotion to the Aborigines in her fabulous CARPENTARIA, now out in ppb. Fantastic read! #litchat -1:05 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat Which novels first come to mind when you think about authors who write about what they love? #litchat -1:05 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @LitChat Which novels first come to mind when you think about authors who write about what they love? >>>>Mine! *laughing* #litchat -1:06 PM Jun 30th, 2010

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| FrankDiCesare John Updike loved golf and wrote eloquently about it. He was a 20 handicap. #litchat -1:06 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| katmagendie @girlfrombim laughing at the twitter message! #litchat -1:06 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| latta RT @LitChat: #LitChat begins in 5 minutes. Join us to talk about novelists who write books about what they love. 4-5pmET -1:06 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CathrynLouis RT @LitChat: Which novels first come to mind when you think about authors who write about what they love? #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| katmagendie @FrankDiCesare welcome back :) #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| girlfrombim @katmagendie Finally I made it! #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| FrankDiCesare Hemingway's love of bullfighting in The Sun Also Rises #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| TheNewAuthor RT @katmagendie: @LitChat Which novels first come to mind when you think about authors who write about what they love? >>>>Mine! *laughing* #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @LitChat "Carpentaria" by Alexis Wright, and those by Kamran Pasha. These are contemporary novelists. #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| goldenwordsmith David Guterson's SNOW FALLING ON CEDARS comes to mind, from his love of the Pacific NW. #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| JMoncktonSmith Hi all #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolyBurnsBass @GLHancock Having recently been to Australia, I'll definitely look into CARPENTARIA. #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| FrankDiCesare @katmagendie Thanks. Glad to be back #litchat -1:07 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| katmagendie @AuthorWilliam I started your book last night - strong lyrical writing. I've only read the first chapter so far! #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette Author needs a compelling reason to write something, but I think Love is a bit of a strong word. #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| katmagendie @girlfrombim :-D yay! glad you are here! #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| moonbridgebooks @LitChat re Are there novelists who write about what they hate? -You mean like Ayn Rand? #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock Too bad this is limited to novels, because I write about my passion, writing in many formats. #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolyBurnsBass Hemingway was the first novelist I thought of for this topic. @FrankDiCesare #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette I think if I wrote about what I love all the time, I'd write a lot more sex scenes. #litchat -1:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| katmagendie @TheNewAuthor Hi Brian! We have a date when GMR's son will be here - July 10 - 13...! #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| Figmentfiction Even though Stephen King writes about nightmarish insanity, he always manages some New England love. #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @LitChat I think of @Kbairokeefe "Thirsty" - she spoke in #litchat about her profound love of the region and history in and around Pitt, PA -1:09 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| JMoncktonSmith @GeneDoucette LOL #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @CarolyBurnsBass If you are interested in Abos, it is a must read. The author is one, too, so she knows whereof ... #litchat -1:09 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam RT @GeneDoucette: I think if I wrote about what I love all the time, I'd write a lot more sex scenes. #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |

katmagendie @GeneDoucette I think I more "write what I love to read" than subjects that have to do with something I love #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks Sorry I'm late, #litchat! I write my passions, too, #Montana history & the #West as it really was! -1:10 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @LitChat Hi, popping in for a few min. before I lv. for appt. #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey I heard someone ask S. King why he wrote dark things and he answered, "What makes you think I have a choice?" #litchat -1:10 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Moribundy RT @GeneDoucette: I think if I wrote about what I love all the time, I'd write a lot more sex scenes. #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @GeneDoucette LOL!! #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @CarolyBurnsBass Thot of Hemingway too. Fishing, the sea, hunting, bullfights, war correspondent #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GeneDoucette RT @katmagendie: @GeneDoucette I think I more "write what I love to read" than subjects that have to do with something I love #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GeneDoucette @katmagendie I agree completely #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam Thx! RT @katmagendie: @AuthorWilliam I started your book last night - strong lyrical writing. I've only read the 1st chap so far! #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @Figmentfiction Even tho SKing writes abt nightmarish insanity, he mnges sm NE love>>>yes setting! I "love" the settings I use #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Moribundy Just got in! What's the discussion? #litchat #Litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @CarolBMTbooks <---- a prize-winning writer who also knows her subject, perhaps like no other, and writes her passions & principle. #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

so_you_know Author's glow: David Sheppard on creative inspiration & objectivity <http://ow.ly/1FKpv> RT @Writers_Life #Writers_Life #amwriting #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat @GeneDoucette Chose "love" in a colloquial way b/c it's short and draws impression of serious interest with great pleasure. #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JLichtenberg RT @GeneDoucette: RT @katmagendie: @GeneDoucette I think I more "write what I love to read" than subjects that have to do with something I love #litchat -1:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CathrynLouis Jkrowling must have loved what she wrote about - she gave it so much detail. #litchat. -1:12 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @DebraMarrs Me, too! No Appt, but a big fat deadline looming and leering and jeering and being a pain in the arse! #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs John Grisham, former lawyer, chooses themes of underdog defendants or newb lawyer (as in The Firm) #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 30th, 2010

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AuthorWilliam I am loving this point being brought up about writing the SETTINGS we love. Passion for locale is a real way to tap inspiration! #litchat -1:12 PM Jun 30th, 2010

girlfrombim RT @DebraMarrs: John Grisham, former lawyer, chooses themes of underdog defendants or newb lawyer (as in The Firm) #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @katmagendie LOL my "appt." is euphemism for deadline too :-D #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

landroecker LOVE! RT @kdueykduey I heard someone ask S. King why he wrote dark things and he answered, "What makes you think I have a choice?" #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @LitChat So many authors end up writing about writing, authors. Do they love themselves, their craft, or are they potboilers? #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GeneDoucette @DebraMarrs And that's all he seems to love, given that's the plot of all his books. #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith RT @Writers_Life: Author's glow: David Sheppard on creative inspiration and objectivity <http://ow.ly/1FKpv> #Writers_Life #amwriting #creativity #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @CathrynLouis That's a cool pick up. That writing what we love shows itself in the descriptive detail we offer in the work. #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @GLHancock Thank you, Georganna! I try to "channel" the struggle for the law in a land without law. Literally. #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CathrynLouis RT @AuthorWilliam: I am loving this point being brought up about writing the SETTINGS we love. Passion for locale is a real way to tap inspiration! #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass @GLHancock Even more fascinating, as a PR rep I met was very degrading of abs, claimed they were sub-intelligent! Was shocked! #litchat -1:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld @GeneDoucette tis why I write erotica after all! #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 30th, 2010

julichilliard RT @landroecker: LOVE! RT @kdueykduey I heard someone ask S. King why he wrote dark things and he answered, "What makes you think I have a choice?" #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @AuthorWilliam yes, setting can be whole other character, but not intrusive one or loud-mouthed one, but the strong silent type :) #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 30th, 2010

4evermore @AuthorWilliam #litchat absolutely! either I get to learn more about a place I like, or I get to create an homage to a place I love. -1:14 PM Jun 30th, 2010

petesimms Jim Harrison, an avid outdoorsman, who wrote a lot about our relation to nature #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @DebraMarrs laughing! :-D #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @LitChat Thx for distinction on "love" - ev'thing returns to: Write what you know #litchat -1:14 PM Jun 30th, 2010

TheNewAuthor @katmagendie I think SKing writes from his love of the unknown edges of reality. Like Rose Red, The Shining or Misery. #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @katmagendie Preferring procrastination to "appts." You? #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GeneDoucette Fumbling for the Follow button: RT @SesshasWorld @GeneDoucette tis why I write erotica after all! #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CathrynLouis Ditto jrtoalkien - a lifelong obsession, complete with language. #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JBBanko Hi everyone. My writing stems from my experiences in the courtroom #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith RT @LitChat: Easy way to follow #litchat is through <http://bit.ly/cmzylg>. Login w/Twitter and away you go. See you there. -1:15 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @CarolyBurnsBass Explicated nicely in Bill ??? travelogue of his visit to Australia. Nonfiction, of course. Bad me! #litchat -1:15 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @katmagendie You are surrounded by such a character out your way! :-) #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Moribundy @DebraMarrs "write what you know" I always like to turn that around and say, "Know what you write." #Litchat -1:16 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs Met Jennifer Weiner last yr. Said she wrote abt ppl she wanted to have lunch with, ppl she'd like to hang with #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith RT @AnneTylerLord: Ready for some serious change? The Writer's Life: Get in Your Right Mind <http://ow.ly/25bEQ> #Writers_Life #writechat #litchat #writetip -1:16 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JBBanko Hi everyone. My writing stems from my experiences in the courtroom. #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @LandLroecker I love that King's son is now writing horror--after trying EVERYTHING else, bless his heart. #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @TheNewAuthor & SK is a master at character development, so no matter the subject, his characters are so very real #litchat -1:16 PM Jun 30th, 2010

girlfrombim Nice!RT @DebraMarrs: Met Jennifer Weiner last yr. Said she wrote abt ppl she wanted to have lunch with, ppl shed like to hang with #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @DebraMarrs I procrastinated my way into a corner and it's full of spiderwebs and dust from 1792 #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam Definitely @4evermore! Can't wait to do a work that is set in the Canadian Maritime provinces. Have such fond memories of the feel. #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JBBanko I agree: RT @DebraMarrs "write what you know" I always like to turn that around and say, "Know what you write." #Litchat -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

TheNewAuthor Funny, I like stories with detailed settings but I like to write more general settings. Just enough for the reader to paint it. #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks Norman Maclean wrote A River Runs Through It to celebrate his relationship w/ his father through fly-fishing. #MT #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld definitely agree about locale. Pub had me change setting in my 1st book and I lost the love :(#litchat -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith RT @jevonbolden: @JiggyO Here are the #litchat transcripts from Friday, June 25 with @AuthorWilliam: <http://bit.ly/bfbita>. Good stuff! -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ErikaRobuck Hi All! I see the topic is writing about what u love. Many Hemingway ref's. Giggling about guy who said he'd write about sex more. #litchat -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AnneTylerLord Hi ya #litchat ers, I see we are talking about settings-I am in LOVE with certain places! that motivates me as much as great characters -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith RT @twchat: Find #litchat and over 100 other Twitter Chats on the schedule: <http://bit.ly/ChatSched> -1:17 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @AuthorWilliam Yes! these mountains offer up setting - nature, its people, its history, even weather and etc etc etc! #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @JBBanko Tell us more! #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith RT @Noni_Writes: RT @ZiggyKinsella: What are your most productive writing habits?<http://bit.ly/cqWsj> #litchat #writechat -1:18 PM Jun 30th, 2010

KevinMCooke Hi everyone #litchat -1:18 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith RT @JBBanko: I agree: RT @DebraMarrs "write what you know" I always like to turn that around and say, "Know what you write." #Litchat -1:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

deberryandgrant Hello litchatters. #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @SesshasWorld Oh! they made you change the setting? ugh! #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @CathrynLouis re JRR Tolkien post, The Lord of the rings is sort of a WWII novel. Evil in the lands, some hide, some help...#litchat -1:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JBBanko @CarolBMTbooks I was a trial lawyer for 40 years. My first novel (and those after) are inspired my real events. #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @SesshasWorld Place becomes character & is written from love. #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Moribundy So we're talking about what we love to write? I think I always explore people. Put them in bad situation, and see what comes out. #Litchat -1:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @GeneDoucette Grisham would like to break out of courtroom? Tried to in The Painted House and the baseball bk (title?) #litchat -1:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @petesimms I loved River Runs, too. Better than the movie! #litchat -1:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @katmagendie Even though I'm from VA, I have a deep passion for the American desert & Southwest #litchat -1:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie RT @Noni_Writes: RT @ZiggyKinsella: What are your most productive writing habits?http://bit.ly/cqWsj >>>Me arse in the chair! :-D #litchat -1:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @Moribundy Ur so 'write' RT: "write what you know" I always like to turn that around and say, "Know what you write." #litchat -1:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @AMWriter Why not join us in #Litchat going on now? -1:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

chislehurst Surely it's less important to write what you love, than for your writing to explain *why* you love. #litchat -1:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

KevinMCooke My YA novel: The setting of my book is based on the place I live. Colorado Springs. The characters are the dogs I own. #litchat -1:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld @katmagendie twice! talk about losing the love #litchat -1:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @Noni_Writes Asking for productive writing habits from a group of people on twitter in the middle of a week day?? I ah, I...blush...#litchat -1:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GeneDoucette Most of my settings are urban, and most begin in the Boston area. it's what I know. #litchat -1:21 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @JBBanko I enjoy reading fiction based on the law. Scott Turow, for example #litchat -1:21 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AngelaDove Recently heard an author say the toughest part is when you're writing poorly but have to write your way out of it. I'm so there. #litchat -1:21 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @AuthorWilliam oh! yes, those settings aren't written about enough, or maybe I'm not reading them enough. #litchat -1:21 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock Sadly, what you know is not always what you love, and vice versa. Good novels always require research. #litchat -1:21 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld @AuthorWilliam started in Scotland, then to Egypt and ended in Italy #litchat -1:21 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith I'm working on a novel about the Pacific NW, too. It's a labor of love and agony because I love Oregon so much. #litchat -1:21 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ourladyofashes @AngelaDove Very much the same. Tis unfortunate too. I thought I was hitting my stride. #litchat -1:22 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld This time I made the location to integral to be changed ;) I'll see if it works! #litchat -1:22 PM Jun 30th, 2010

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| katmagendie @SesshasWorld Dang . . . that would do it for me, too.... #litchat -1:22 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant RT @GLHancock: Sadly, what you know is not always what you love, and vice versa. Good novels always require research. #litchat -1:22 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @petesimms I live near one of the last wild & free rivers. You heard a wrong rumor. #litchat -1:22 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs RT @GLHancock: Sadly, what you know is not always what you love, and vice versa. Good novels always require research {true} #litchat -1:22 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| banana_the_poet #litchat I think people *do* write about what they hate - when they write to highlight injustice & intolerance- it can be a big motivation -1:22 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| TheNewAuthor @AuthorWilliam I'm from VA too and I know what you mean. The history of Rome, beaches of Hawaii and Mountains of BC. #litchat -1:22 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @SesshasWorld Good grief! That some serious locale changin' #litchat -1:22 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CathrynLouis @kdueykduey true, and he meticulously created a world in which to tell it. #litchat -1:23 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @katmagendie it's not just setting, then names, characters, descriptions - EVERYTHING changes #litchat -1:23 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AngelaDove @GLHancock I'm dealing with researched-only location now; somewhat disconcerting! #litchat -1:23 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @goldenwordsmith I have got to visit Oregon. I hear this type of passion from so many people. #litchat. -1:23 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey @KevinMCooke I write YA. Dark fantasy/created worlds. So far. I love writing for teens. They are so acutely aware of injustice. #litchat -1:23 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant Half of the first novel we wrote was set in Paris-we had never been, but knew we'd love it. Took me another 10 yrs to get there. #litchat -1:23 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| TheNewAuthor Do authors love to write about settings or characters? Does the love build from the setting in which they write? #litchat -1:23 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| wildbloom Hi litchatters! #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CathrynLouis RT @banana_the_poet: #litchat I think people *do* write about what they hate - when they write to highlight injustice & intolerance- it can be a big motivation -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @SesshasWorld Good luck! Or change publisher? #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @banana_the_poet I agree, abuse is a central feature in my work - certainly not something I LIKE #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @CarolBMTbooks Loved Norman Maclean's A River Runs Through It. Appreciate bks w/strong sense of place #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @AngelaDove Are you using Internet resources to the fullest advantage? You can learn so much about a place with it. #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| FrankDiCesare @AngelaDove We ALL get there at one point or another. Hell, I get there several times a day. #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ErikaRobuck #litchat @AnneRiceAuthor comes to mind--from the empty wilderness of the undead to her reawakening in faith.--she writes her passion. -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| katmagendie @AuthorWilliam AuthorWilliam @SesshasWorld Good grief! That some serious locale changin' >>>>>Yes, what I was thinking! #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |

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| CathrynLouis RT @DebraMarrs: RT @GLHancock: Sadly, what you know is not always what you love, and vice versa. Good novels always require research {true} #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant I did love it. But have not used the city since... #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @AngelaDove I had to do that for my second Immortal book, it was difficult. I ended up calling a forest ranger station for help #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| Figmentfiction A lot of writers use a locale as their 'muse'. Famous example? NYC! #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| LetterMaster @kdueykduey I agree with you. I love how the sci fi & fantasy genres can say so much without actually saying it #litchat -1:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey I see bits of my own interior/emotional stuff in every book, regardless of setting/plot. #litchat -1:25 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @katmagendie So what are you going to do to get out of that 1792 corner, ma'am? #litchat -1:25 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ourladyofashes @TheNewAuthor I think it can be both. Though sometimes love for one may override the other. Balancing act, I guess. #litchat -1:25 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @GLHancock the internet is HUGELY helpful for research on a place one hasn't been. #litchat -1:25 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @DebraMarrs Yess! Good novels always require research! Especially with troops of readers knowledgeable about #MT #history! #litchat LOL! -1:25 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @CarolBMTbooks Hopefully I'll find a better fit this time . . . or not. #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam Another great point about how writing what we hate connects, It can serve our exploration of righting wrongs, hope, and justice. #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @TheNewAuthor Character first, for novels. Setting is almost incidental to me, most of the time. #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs RT @kdueykduey: I see bits of my own interior/emotional stuff in every book, regardless of setting/plot. #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey @LetterMaster Yes. SF and Fantasy are allagorical by nature so NOTHING is off limits, but human emotion is usually the backstop. #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AngelaDove @GLHancock Yes. & found a rockin' BBC doc'mentry for srs sense of place. I'm confident in the knowledge but wish I could walk it. #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| katmagendie @DebraMarrs Gonna get off this twitter and get me arse to work! Ah, deadlines, the Great Motivator! teeheehee :) #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| dtfpres RT @DebraMarrs: RT @kdueykduey: I see bits of my own interior/emotional stuff in every book, regardless of setting/plot. #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock My loves: peace, herbs, cats, watercolor painting and a host of less intense interests. No monomania hre. How could I make a novel? #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @ErikaRobuck Indeed she does! #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks I spent 7 years writing God's Thunderbolt: The Vigilantes of Montana. 5 for research & 2 for writing, overlapped & blending. #litchat -1:26 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs RT @AuthorWilliam ... abt writing what we hate, It can serve our exploration of righting wrongs, hope, and justice #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey @CathrynLouis I loved Tolkein's world more than I loved the stories. #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |

thesadeianwoman RT @GLHancock: My loves: peace, herbs, cats, watercolor painting and a host of less intense interests. No monomania here. How could I make a novel? #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @AngelaDove Have you tried out Google's special at the street level views? #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @GeneDoucette @TheNewAuthor Character first. Setting is almost incidental to me, >>>.>>sometimes the two are symbiotic, tho #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 30th, 2010

banana_the_poet @kdueykduey @Noni_Writes #litchat *ahem* it's half past eleven at night where I am :) -1:27 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @DebraMarrs I couldn't write good fiction until I came home to NW MT & live next door to the Swan Range. #litchat -1:27 PM Jun 30th, 2010

KevinMCooke @kdueykduey Nice to meet you. I love writing for teens too. And injustice - yes. They seems to be able to deal with it better too. #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AngelaDove @FrankDiCesare Thx for understanding. Hard to lay down 1 bad sentence, then another--even when I know good writing=good rewriting #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @NGeminiSasson ABNA -- that's another subject! I wrote about it for Self-publishing review. #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith I, too, love A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT, maybe more than I have loved any book, alongside BELOVED, THE ENGLISH PATIENT, SNOW FALLI..., #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie I have to get back to "Sweetie" . . . it's due in a matter of days. See y'all later! Glad I could come in at least a little while! #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld @GeneDoucette but who my characters are is shaped by where they are and where they're from ;) #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @AuthorWilliam Hiyo. You're making some profound tweets today, dude #litchat -1:28 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ErikaRobuck @GLHancock Characters with cats, characters who paint watercolor, gardeners--in can all come in. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 30th, 2010

katmagendie @AngelaDove Hi Angela! good to see you here! Now I have to go *laugh* #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GeneDoucette @katmagendie They can be symbiotic. Hasn't happened yet. My narrator in my larger work is 60,000 yrs old. He feels a bit detached. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @SesshasWorld Don't know how you'd feel about this, but self-publishing gives writers a lot of freedom. That's why we're "indies!! #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ficwriter Hello everyone. Stuart Dybek's short story collection The Coast of Chicago conjures his love of the Windy City. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @kdueykduey Nice point. I think many feel the same way about works of High Fantasy. Many felt that way about the movie Avatar. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GeneDoucette @SesshasWorld My central characters tend to be alienated from, rather than centrally involved in, their world. #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CathrynLouis @GLHancock luv those!! they don't work 4 everywhere though... #litchat -1:29 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @CarolBMTbooks SO lover Swan Range area! Husb wants to move there but hates cold :-) #litchat - 1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @DebraMarrs Can't take credit for all of them. I hear some good stuff being said and I want to make sure my followers hear it. #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @ErikaRobuck Of course. The problem for me is the plot. I have no stories, except my own sad, boring, annoying tale. #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

FrankDiCesare I write far more about what I know than what I love. #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @banana_the_poet And I love you for staying up so late to chat. I also love your screen name. #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Figmentfiction Good for writing & finding delivery nearby. RT @GLHancock @AngelaDove Have you tried out Google's street level views? #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

girlfrombim Have to miss the rest of the chat...catch you guys Friday. #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @DebraMarrs Thanks, though! Awesome to see you here today! :-) #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @ficwriter Yay, my friend's here! Thx for intro to Stuart Dybek's Coast of Chicago. Must read #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld @CarolBMTbooks thinking about it - out on query now so I'll see. I'm certainly not adverse to the idea! #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @DebraMarrs It doesn't get that cold here. Only -26 a few times. sNothing stopped. (giggle) #litchat -1:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

thesadeianwoman RT @ficwriter: Hello everyone. Stuart Dybek's short story collection The Coast of Chicago conjures his love of the Windy City. #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AngelaDove @katmagendie Wait. Was that Kat? xo! #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @ficwriter Oh, that reminds me of Studs Terkel. He certainly wrote what he loved ... Chicago, working class. #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @KevinMCooke I grew up on the eastern slope, am in CA now, for many years. I MISS THE ROCKIES! #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LetterMaster @AuthorWilliam @kdueykduey I was thkg the same thing. The worlds that authors create can sometimes be more compelling than the ppl #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 30th, 2010

deberryandgrant RT @AuthorWilliam: about how writing what we hate connects, It can serve our exploration of righting wrongs, hope, and justice. #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld @GeneDoucette but then, that alienation is from something - still central IMO #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ficwriter Can't help but think of Charles Bukowski. Say what you will about him. But he was passionate about his subjects: booze and women. #litchat -1:31 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JBBanko @FrankDiCesare Is there something that holds you back from writing what you love? #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 30th, 2010

deberryandgrant RT @DebraMarrs: RT @kdueykduey: I see bits of my own interior/emotional stuff in every book, regardless of setting/plot. #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AngelaDove @Figmentfiction Awesome tip. Thanks! #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks Writers who have abuse & injustice in their work have a passion for justice, don't you think? #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @TheNewAuthor I'm hearing ya! Much love to VA but there's something about the edge of the mojave in CA and Rich desert of AZ #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock D'oh! I did it again! Terkel wrote nonfiction. Why can't I think of novels? I look at books I've kept, and most are nonfiction. #litchat -1:32 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @CarolyBurnsBass Curious. At BEA did this topic of "love what I write" come up w/authors in their presentations? #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010

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| KevinMCooke @kdueykduey you need to visit then! a "writers retreat" ? #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam RT @LetterMaster: @AuthorWilliam @kdueykduey I was thkg the same thing. The worlds that authors create can sometimes be more compelling than the ppl #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette @SesshasWorld yes, but describing an environment from the outside looking in is... well I find it easier. #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ficwriter @DebraMarrs Great to see you, too. :) #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CathrynLouis RT @deberryandgrant: RT @AuthorWilliam: about how writing what we hate connects, It can serve our exploration of righting wrongs, hope, and justice. #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @CarolBMTbooks not necessarily, sometimes it's just personal baggage #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey @GLHancock I would bet anything your story is not sad or annoying to anyone but you. Not that you need to write it ...#litchat -1:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @CarolBMTbooks Perhaps that is what they know best and are trying to work out their demons. #litchat -1:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @GeneDoucette I can see how that would be true. #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @SesshasWorld Wishing you luck. Sometimes you don't know how the shoes will fit until you've worn them. #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ErikaRobuck Hello @ficwriter! #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @CarolBMTbooks In FL doesn't even get to +32 but maybe 1 day/year. Still... there's a charm in cold weather endurance #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| TheNewAuthor I find it interesting how people write about or from the strongest of emotions such as love/hate. #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @LetterMaster I agree. I like books that transport me to places I've never been. It's part of what makes a satisfying reading exp. #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CathrynLouis Sounds odd I know, but I think a work of love can be about something you hate... #litchat -1:34 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @TheNewAuthor How so? #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @CarolBMTbooks so true - as long as I keep learning and growing it's all good ;) #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| FrankDiCesare @JBBanko No. I just prefer to have a solid handle on something (whether I love it or not) before I attempt to write about it #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| TheNewAuthor With that said, do you think authors can or do write about subjects they think they love or hate? #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| wildbloom I let the world build itself around the characters this last time around. Felt more organic that way. #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @CathrynLouis Not odd at all. Totally with you. #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @kdueykduey Bits and parts are amazing, unbelievable, but I don't quite know how it ends. Perhaps I should start small, s. stories? #litchat -1:35 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AngelaDove @AuthorWilliam Most spiritual? moment ever was huge electrical storm near 4 corners. Your comments have had me revisiting that. #litchat -1:36 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ficwriter @ErikaRobuck I've missed my old (and I mean that in the kindest way) litchat buddies. #litchat -1:36 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |

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| ErikaRobuck Agree--RT @CathrynLouis: Sounds odd I know, but I think a work of love can be about something you hate... #litchat -1:36 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @wildbloom I did something similar with DP. I know it can be a valuable way to build. #litchat -1:36 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant For me, character is most important. Setting secondary, so usually write about places 1 or both are familiar with. Saves time. #litchat -1:36 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @wildbloom Good 4 u RT: I let the world build itself around the characters this last time around. Felt more organic that way. #litchat -1:36 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| goldenwordsmith Sounds odd I know, but I think a work of love can be about something you hate... #litchat RT @CathrynLouis -1:37 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey @LetterMaster Fantasy writers must beware the inner Geek. I read people who LIVE in their created world, but the story is tepid. #litchat -1:37 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| susanwrites RT @kdueykduey: @GLHancock Plot is about the character, though. Don't ask what would happen next, ask what he/she will DO next...#litchat -1:37 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @AngelaDove Lightning storms out that way can create unspeakably amazing images. Indeed a lot of power there. Thanks for sharing! #litchat -1:37 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| FrankDiCesare I think it is very important for writers to write about what they know and understand first and leave the love for later. #litchat -1:38 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| thesadeianwoman RT @GLHancock: Got one! Tony Hillerman certainly has written loads of novels about what he loves--the west, Indians and their culture. #litchat -1:38 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @GLHancock Once upon a time Koko the cat wanted to paint. His untalented human sold his works & made a mint. There's a story. #litchat -1:38 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| JBBanko @FrankDiCesare Good idea. I spsse that I can say the same then.Trials weren't always "fun", but after they gave me a lot to wrt abt #litchat -1:38 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey @KevinMCooke I keep hoping SCBWI will hire me to teach a retreat. Haven't bugged them lately...#litchat -1:38 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @susanwrites Thanks for that tip about plot evolving from characters. I only try to think of a story. All the characters in me! #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @JBBanko Were you inspired to write by other lawyer authors? When did you start? #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| SesshasWorld @FrankDiCesare but, without the love, I don't think I'd be inspired to do all the work! #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| LetterMaster @kdueykduey Oh, the inner Geek. Gotta love it. :) #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @kdueykduey This is true. A Fantasy writer can go so deep in their world that the gateway in for other readers can become narrow. #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey @GLHancock Interview the character. Ask him/her how it ends. #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ErikaRobuck @deberryandgrant Tend to agree, but just read @EmilyMandel's THE SINGER'S GUN, and setting nearly became a character. So well done. #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @ficwriter re: Bukowski: Passionate or obsessed? #litchat -1:39 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @CarolBMTbooks Koko as in "The Cat Who..." series of mysteries? Did I say Siamese cats? I know them best, too. #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @ficwriter Definitely great to have you present. :-) #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| LetterMaster @AuthorWilliam And that is what makes me buy the novels thereafter. A craving to enter the world there again. #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |

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| ErikaRobuck @ficwriter :) #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @ficwriter Old or not, we've really really missed YOU. Right @ErikaRobuck? #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CathrynLouis RT @AuthorWilliam: @kdueykduey This is true. A Fantasy writer can go so deep in their world that the gateway in for other readers can become narrow. #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| TheNewAuthor @Figmentfiction Exactly, authors write what they are passionate about. Passion comes from strong emotion. #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ficwriter @deberryandgrant Love to get lost in Anne Tyler's characters. She's a master of transporting the reader into her character's world. #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ingypsy RT @AuthorWilliam: @kdueykduey This is true. A Fantasy writer can go so deep in their world that the gateway in for other readers can become narrow. #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @kdueykduey Um -- I was there. I just don't know the Big End, cause I haven't died yet. Not completely, anyway. #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant @ErikaRobuck Sometimes that can work. Have been told we used "Harlem" as a character in our latest book...not sure tho #litchat -1:40 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ingypsy #litchat is now? Must join? Isn't #thrillerchat sometimes today too? -1:41 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| goldenwordsmith @CarolBMTbooks Bukowski: Both. #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| KevinMCooke @kdueykduey That would be really cool. But CA must be very nice too? #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CarolBMTbooks @GLHancock Forgot Koko was in that series. Typing too fast. OK, maybe it's your Siamese cat who makes a fortune painting. #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| deberryandgrant @ficwriter Yes. Love people. They are so real and quirky and flawed and fascinating and... #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| innaj @kdueykduey I write dark things because I want to see the light shine through. #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @deberryandgrant @ErikaRobuck I luv bk w/gr8 sense of place where setting becomes character too #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey @AuthorWilliam Or just abysmally looooooonnnnnng and strewn with details that don't imact the story or the characters. (le yawn) #litchat -1:41 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| FrankDiCesare @SesshasWorld Inspiration comes to a writer from all directions, not just love #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ErikaRobuck @DebraMarrs Yes! But have loved guest posts at J. Fr.'s blog. #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kmcgiveron RT @AuthorWilliam: @kdueykduey This is true. A Fantasy writer can go so deep in their world that the gateway in for other readers can become narrow. #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ErikaRobuck @deberryandgrant Harlem would be a great character. #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock @CarolBMTbooks Is this a romance, Western, mystery, mainstream, women's fiction, chicklit or what? #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| JBBanko @DebraMarrs I have always loved reading mysteries, courtroom dramas, etc. When I finished my lawyering, I fnd I had a lot to share #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| emilytastic RT @innaj: @kdueykduey I write dark things because I want to see the light shine through. #litchat -1:42 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @kdueykduey I think that can happen to any writer who loses sight of the needs and desire of their characters. #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |

deberryandgrant @ficwriter meant Anne Tyler's people--not "all people" LOL #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @LetterMaster Almost everything interests me. Readers, not so much. My rule: does it touch the characters? No? #dumpitthen #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @ficwriter Oddly, haven't ever found Anne Tyler bk I liked enough. Feel like I'm missing something tho #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010

FrankDiCesare I just finished a short story that takes place in a supermarket. But I sure as hell don't love supermarkets. #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld @FrankDiCesare true - but if there isn't something I love about it I won't carry through to the finish! too many other choices ;) #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JBBanko @DebraMarrs Also, I had co-wrote a few friends' pieces and tried my hand at other wrtg early on too. #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks @GLHancock It's what you want it to be! Write the story first, then think of genre. #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @DebraMarrs I read one once. Just one. Just once. #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks RT @deberryandgrant: @ficwriter Yes. Love people. They are so real and quirky and flawed and fascinating and... #litchat -1:43 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @JBBanko I bet you DO have a lot to share. Do you use same protag? Main char? Setting? for all? #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith Love This: Interview the character. Ask him/her how it ends. #litchat from @GLHancock and @kdueykduey -1:44 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks RT @DebraMarrs: @deberryandgrant @ErikaRobuck I luv bk w/gr8 sense of place where setting becomes character too #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @GLHancock <smiling> "WE" are not fans, then? #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CathrynLouis RT @AuthorWilliam: @kdueykduey I think that can happen to any writer who loses sight of the needs and desire of their characters. #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @innaj I remember you hating Cormac's world view. I seem to be heading for the light in the current one. Wading fear/blood but...#litchat -1:44 PM Jun 30th, 2010

TracyClark_TLC Gorgeous image and very true! RT @innaj: @kdueykduey I write dark things because I want to see the light shine through. #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LetterMaster @AuthorWilliam ...and going so deep can shake the readers of the illusion. too hard to follw=too hard to believe #litchat -1:44 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks RT @SesshasWorld: @FrankDiCesare true - but if there isn't something I love about it I won't carry through to the finish! too many other choices ;) #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @FrankDiCesare You got my attn w/"finished s/s that takes place in a supermarket. But I sure as hell dont love supermarkets" #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @KevinMCooke I like CA. I do miss weather. We have two seasons: Spring and fire. #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @DebraMarrs Well, let's just say that for me, I have not been motivated to look for, or pick up, any others. Guess that's not fan? #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ficwriter @CarolBMTbooks: @ficwriter re: Bukowski: Passionate or obsessed? (I'd say both. I tend to become obsessed when ignited by passion.) #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GeneDoucette @goldenwordsmith Interview the character? The character's already writing the book. His ego doesn't need any more help. #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 30th, 2010

FrankDiCesare @SesshasWorld I guess it's the love of language & epiphany that gets me writing in the morning. :) #litchat -1:45 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @TracyClark_TLC Janni is a remarkable writer....#litchat -1:46 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat FYI: having to follow chat on iPhone today and chat's lightspeed is wow. I'm here, tho. Keep it up. #litchat -1:46 PM Jun 30th, 2010

wildbloom @kdueykduey LOL Born and raised in Southern CA myself. That's true. And drizzle instead of rain. #litchat -1:46 PM Jun 30th, 2010

CarolBMTbooks Gotta run! Late for appointment! Too many interesting people at #litchat Thanks for discussion & good ideas! -1:46 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JBBanko @DebraMarrs I change a lot but keep the same...feeling. Ex: the setting might be different, but make sure have same climate/demos. #litchat -1:46 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs RT @LitChat: FYI: having to follow chat on iPhone today and chats lightspeed is wow. Im here, tho. Keep it up. #litchat -1:46 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @LetterMaster Oh yes, Ftsy writers don't escape "believability". Readers must be able to relate on a human level or there's trouble #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @GLHancock OH. It is autobiographical. Write what you fear? Or what you hope? Or both? in the last chapter. #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @CarolBMTbooks Take care! #litchat -1:47 PM Jun 30th, 2010

KevinMCooke @kdueykduey haha, oh man. well hate to say it (but i gotta) it's gorgeous here. an excuse to come #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GargoylePhan What'd I miss? Lemme c...tweeps r writing abt vampires...@joe_hill is gunked-up sick (get well soon!)...#litchat is on...#amwriting #writers -1:48 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kirabell89 RT @TracyClark_TLC: Gorgeous image and very true! RT @innaj: @kdueykduey I write dark things because I want to see the light shine through. #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 30th, 2010

FrankDiCesare @DebraMarrs I'm an attn-getting kinda guy ;) #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JMoncktonSmith although I don't write fiction I write about narrative and what it reveals about us #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 30th, 2010

wildbloom I think passion for the story is necessary in writing or the characters/setting become superficial and shallow. #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @CarolBMTbooks See you around elsewhere. Enjoyed today's chat w/you #litchat -1:48 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith Inspiration comes to a writer from all directions, not just love #litchat via @FrankDiCesare @SesshasWorld -1:49 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @kdueykduey Ha ha! I keep threatening to write a memoir of my experiences with other writers. Tell all. Sizzling! #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LetterMaster @AuthorWilliam Exactly. That is why it is a hard genre to write and also why everyone want to do it. :P #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat With authors such as Hemingway, do we realize his passion thru his books or from what we learn about him? #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 30th, 2010

innaj @kdueykduey "The world is indeed full of peril, and in it there are many dark places. But still there is much that is fair ..." #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @KevinMCooke I lived in every ski town there is. In a tipi once, for a year, Strawberry Pass above Steamboat. Loved every second. #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LetterMaster bye everyone! #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 30th, 2010

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| kdueykduey @wildbloom Yes. Deprived of weather, we invent other drama....CA is a good place to write. #litchat -1:49 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| KevinMCooke see ya'll #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CathrynLouis The 'what u luv' part can be a backdrop - not necessarily the plot, characters or main story. #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam @LetterMaster Take care, thanks for the fine discussion! #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| JBBanko Nice chatting with everyone #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @FrankDiCesare LOL. Funny how emotion (love or hate) makes it easy to access what we write #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| innaj @kdueykduey "... and though in all lands love is now mingled with grief, it grows perhaps the greater." - Tolkien/LotR #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| AuthorWilliam RT @kdueykduey: @wildbloom Yes. Deprived of weather, we invent other drama....CA is a good place to write.<<<AGREED. Love Cali. #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| LitChat Thanks for joining us. RT @LetterMaster: bye everyone! #litchat -1:50 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GLHancock I suppose the best chicklit authors love Manolos, Prada, etc. brand names. Or is it the money? #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| GeneDoucette Couldn't jump in much today; one eye on paying job. ANd now I'm biking home. Later everyone #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| LitChat Hope you can make it again soon. RT @JBBanko: Nice chatting with everyone #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| pussreboots @GLHancock Throw something into the peaceful mix to upset the balance and write about what happens. #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @LitChat Perhaps it's emotion (love or hate) that makes easiest to access what we write #litchat -1:51 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ErikaRobuck @LitChat Maybe I read Hem. differently, but I'm captivated by what he reveals about himself. He's 1 of the only writers I do that w/. #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| JMoncktonSmith @GeneDoucette bye #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| CathrynLouis Loved being here - as always...gotta go! #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| DebraMarrs @GLHancock You R2 funny RT: I suppose the best chicklit authors love Manolos, Prada, etc. brand names. Or is it the money? :-) #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| FrankDiCesare @LitChat I think w/Hemingway it's both. But I think his love was with writing 1st and his topics 2nd #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| pussreboots @GLHancock Best is relative. I don't like the brand name dropping chicklits #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| ourladyofashes I've always kinda wanted to write a drama stemming solely from a person missing their morning cup of coffee. #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| kdueykduey @TracyClark_TLC Yes on LA. I don't speak OR workshop, only critique.. so lots of time to talk shop. I always learn a lot there. #litchat -1:52 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| goldenwordsmith @LitChat Must go. Thanks for such a great #litchat ! -1:53 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| wildbloom Life demands attention. Divine chat and discussion as ever! #litchat -1:53 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |
| LitChat Glad you tried. Thanks. RT @GeneDoucette: Couldnt jump in much today; one eye on paying job. ANd now Im biking home. Later everyone #litchat -1:53 PM Jun 30th, 2010 |

GLHancock Do people who persist in writing historical fiction love history? What about Romance (or historical romance)? Or is it the money? #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat See you on Friday, we hope. RT @wildbloom: Life demands attention. Divine chat and discussion as ever! #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @ourladyofashes You might end up with "Falling Down" with Michael Douglas as the leading man in the movie version. :-) #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 30th, 2010

deberryandgrant @LitChat Don't we learn about him through his books? Or do we just think we did? #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @innaj Yeah. See, I think The Lord of the Rings is all about WWII--do you see that in it? #litchat -1:54 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ourladyofashes @AuthorWilliam That would mean money though...cause it would have to get big to get his attention. #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 30th, 2010

TracyClark_TLC @kdueykduey I always learn so much at SCBWI conferences, as well. I think anyone who writes for kids should try to go. So valuable! #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 30th, 2010

JMoncktonSmith bye #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Zoe_E_W RT @GeneDoucette: I think if I wrote about what I love all the time, I'd write a lot more sex scenes. #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat More on Friday. Hope to see you then. RT @goldenwordsmith: @LitChat Must go. Thanks for such a great #litchat ! #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @wildbloom Take care! #litchat -1:55 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock And what about the sci-fi, horror, fantasy bunch? How can you love the utterly mental & fantastic? (I love their products, tho!) #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @kdueykduey Agree Lord of the Rings reflects WWII #litchat - think I read a paper on that topic once. -1:56 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat Thanks for joining in. RT @JMoncktonSmith: bye #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ErikaRobuck @GLHancock I write hist. fic. b/c I love history, love revealing it to others, love learning w/in the emotional context of a story #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs GR8 convo everyone. That appt. (er, deadline) calls 2me. See you on Fri. along w/author @AlexCampion THE GRAVE GOURMET #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 30th, 2010

deberryandgrant Based on his books, always thought of him like the line from Girl's Guide to...as a "Big Liver". But knew not the kind w/onions #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @ourladyofashes True...hmm...get it going! Act 1 due tonight! :-) #litchat -1:56 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Zoe_E_W .@GeneDoucette I write sex scenes all the time. One of my latest WIP is titled Wereporon. Betcha can't guess what it's about. X^D #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Zoe_E_W .@GeneDoucette I write sex scenes all the time. One of my latest WIP is titled Wereporno. Betcha can't guess what it's about. X^D #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 30th, 2010

deberryandgrant RT @Zoe_E_W: RT @GeneDoucette: I think if I wrote about what I love all the time, Id write a lot more sex scenes. #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 30th, 2010

inkgypsy #Writer Wednesday #litchat right now #thrillerchat at 8pm EST - great to place to meet awesome people & talk stories/writing -1:57 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @TracyClark_TLC SCBWI is the farm team for kidlit andYA. Editors come to author-see. It's a 30 year construct of integrity/intent. #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @ErikaRobuck Nice! TY for that explanation. Do you also love writing, teaching? Sharing knowledge is what mine is all about. #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 30th, 2010

innaj @kdueykduey I think it's about WWII, and also about dark times in a more universal way at the same time. #litchat -1:57 PM Jun 30th, 2010

goldenwordsmith @GeneDoucette Hmm...Can't take credit for that idea, but I like it. The character has a voice, too, and I'd like to hear/know them. #litchat -1:58 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @GLHancock I think the genre draws their metaphors from their creator. The writer then loves what they are speaking of figuratively. #litchat -1:58 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @inkgypsy I would love to read the paper if you ever remember where/who/what...it feels obvious to me. #litchat -1:58 PM Jun 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @DebraMarrs Does #litchat happen on Friday too? -1:58 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat We're at the end of this hour of topic chat. Thanks everyone for great convo today. #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ErikaRobuck @GLHancock Love writing, reading, research, traveling, teaching. Taught for four yrs before writing. #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @LitChat Thank you once again! :) #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @innaj Yes. I didn't mean to say it was only that. He was a deep thinking man. #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @AuthorWilliam Huh? Do you mean like look for an ongoing theme in a writer's body of work? I keep wondering about the Ender books. #litchat -1:59 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat Yes. We are M W & F at 4pmET. RT @inkgypsy: @DebraMarrs Does #litchat happen on Friday too? #litchat -2:00 PM Jun 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @kdueykduey Hm - may have it buried in a moving box (still unpacking) but it must be online somewhere too. #litchat -2:00 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @ErikaRobuck Oh, I sooo relate to what you said! #litchat -2:00 PM Jun 30th, 2010

FrankDiCesare Great #litchat everyone! Thanks! -2:00 PM Jun 30th, 2010

kdueykduey @inkgypsy Of course. I will look online. Thanks...#litchat -2:00 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ErikaRobuck @GLHancock Also partial to dusty attics with yellowed photo albums, used book stores, creaky historic houses, and cemeteries. #litchat -2:01 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ficwriter @AuthorWilliam Thanks, Author. Great to see you. #litchat -2:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

LitChat As our dear friend and loyal #litchattic @DebraMarrs posted, come back Friday for @AlexCampion. #litchat -2:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ErikaRobuck @LitChat Thanks for a great #litchat today! -2:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DebraMarrs @inkgypsy You bet. We are here M-W-F 4pmET Check upcoming topics <http://litchat.net/coming-up/> #litchat -2:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock @ErikaRobuck Sister! We must meet in RL sometime! #litchat -2:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @GLHancock May be hard for the reader to know. Perhaps a battle with a demon actually describes a personal battle with alcoholism #litchat -2:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ErikaRobuck @GLHancock Would love a Tweet up! #litchat -2:02 PM Jun 30th, 2010

GLHancock Must go see if ancient, creaky VCR actually taped my soap today. What I give up for my craft! Thanks all for a lovely chat! #litchat -2:03 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ficwriter RT @GeneDoucette: I think if I wrote about what I love all the time, I'd write a lot more sex scenes. #litchat -2:03 PM Jun 30th, 2010

chislehurst @ErikaRobuck Would you agree that, while it's good to write about what you love, the best writing shows *why* you love? #litchat -2:04 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @GLHancock Take care! #litchat -2:04 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld thanks everyone - yet again, it's been fun! #litchat -2:04 PM Jun 30th, 2010

ingkypsy @DebraMarrs Wow - that's awesome - it's so hard to make every Wednesday but I love chatting/meeting other writers! #litchat Not alone! -2:04 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 DebraMarrs @LitChat Aww...thx for shoutout RT: As our dear friend & loyal #litchattic @DebraMarrs posted, come back Fri w/@AlexCampion. #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ingkypsy RT @DebraMarrs: @inkgypsy You bet. We are here M-W-F 4pmET Check upcoming topics <http://litchat.net/coming-up/> #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 TriciaTalley RT @CarolBMTbooks Writers who have abuse injustice in their work have a passion for justice, don't you think? #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ficwriter Coffee calls. Bye everyone. #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 DebraMarrs @ficwriter Byeee... pour a cuppa for me. I'll be right over there :) #litchat -2:05 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ErikaRobuck @chislehurst Absolutely. Can't just write about what you love. What's the point? There must be a point. #litchat -2:06 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ingkypsy @kdueykduey Oh! You're in CA? Where? (I'm just outside LA) #litchat Isn't it funny how no 'real' weather yet takes up 15 mins on the news? -2:06 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ErikaRobuck @GLHancock Annapolis. Loooooong way from CA. #litchat -2:06 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 TheNewAuthor Sex is a funny topic. It is one topic that most people love in life but also hate just as much to write about. #litchat -2:06 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 SesshasWorld @TheNewAuthor nt I - I adore writing about sex. #litchat -2:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 kdueykduey RT @chislehurst: @ErikaRobuck Would you agree that, while it's good to write about what you love, the best writing shows *why* you love? #litchat -2:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 TracyClark_TLC RT @kdueykduey: @TracyClark_TLC SCBWI is the farm team for kidlit andYA. Editors come to author-seek. It's a 30 year construct of integrity/intent. #litchat -2:08 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ingkypsy @kdueykduey Here's a National Geo article about compare/contrast Lord of Rings with WWI & II <http://bit.ly/a5ITqg> #litchat -2:09 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 innaj @kdueykduey His main flaws, for me, include inability to see female characters as real part of the world..but I still love the bks #litchat -2:09 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ingkypsy RT @AuthorWilliam: RT @kdueykduey: @wildbloom Yes. Deprived of weather, we invent other drama...CA is a good place to write.<<<AGREED. Love Cali. #litchat -2:10 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 kdueykduey @inkgypsy Very cool Thanks so much! #litchat -2:10 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ErikaRobuck Worry with sex in fiction that author gives too much of self away. Your thoughts? #litchat -2:10 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 antallan RT @AuthorWilliam: @kdueykduey This is true. A Fantasy writer can go so deep in their world that the gateway in for other readers can become narrow. #litchat -2:10 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 TheNewAuthor @SesshasWorld How do you write about it? In intimate, almost painful detail, or with enough detail for the reader to get worked up? #litchat -2:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ingkypsy @kdueykduey Not the article I was thinking of but brings up interesting parallels etc. :) #litchat -2:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 kdueykduey @innaj Yes, I have wondered about that. Maybe just his generational influences. I love the sheer ambition of the books...#litchat -2:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 ingkypsy @kdueykduey And I always spell parallel wrong unless I'm writing longhand - what's up with that?! #litchat -2:11 PM Jun 30th, 2010
 kdueykduey @inkgypsy And I spell balloon wrong if I am not typing. What IS up with that? #litchat -2:12 PM Jun 30th, 2010

innaj @kdueykduey Yes. There's still nothing quote like them, though people have tried. #litchat -2:13 PM Jun 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @AuthorWilliam Interesting re metaphor drawn from creator. I'm fascinated with symbolism/metaphor - subtle = awesome read for me. #litchat -2:14 PM Jun 30th, 2010

inkgypsy RT @AuthorWilliam: @GLHancock I think the genre draw their metaphors from their creator. The writer then loves what they are speaking of figuratively. #litchat -2:14 PM Jun 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @kdueykduey More different media I work with the more areas of my brain I'm aware of/boggled by. How on earth do I manage walking?! #litchat -2:16 PM Jun 30th, 2010

MariAdkins @Zoe_E_W @GeneDoucette is it bad taht i blush when i write an erotic scene? #litchat -2:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @inkgypsy I agree its really compelling. I think artist are constantly connecting with readers/audience this way. #litchat -2:19 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Wiswell @ErikaRobuck Mostly authors don't give too much of themselves away in sexual fiction. They just give crappy parts. #litchat -2:20 PM Jun 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @AuthorWilliam Agree-comes down to the mythic thing - timeless symbols & stories of/for the human race. #litchat -2:23 PM Jun 30th, 2010

THahnBurkett Yes. RT @ErikaRobuck: Should change "write what you love" to "write what you're passionate about." Applies to the good & the bad. #litchat -2:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010

jreahedrick But it's such good stuff! RT @kdueykduey: I see bits of my own interior/emotional stuff in every book, regardless of setting/plot. #litchat -2:24 PM Jun 30th, 2010

deberryandgrant @CarolBMTbooks Meant to say "love Anne Tyler's people" but in #litchat I often suffer from too fast fingers! -2:28 PM Jun 30th, 2010

Zoe_E_W @MariAdkins @GeneDoucette That depends...what were you doing that made you blush? Did it require a ciggie afterward? =^p #litchat -2:29 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SesshasWorld @ErikaRobuck emotionally . . . sometimes, but then, that's part of what makes it real and believable #litchat -2:30 PM Jun 30th, 2010

inkgypsy RT @THahnBurkett: Yes. RT @ErikaRobuck: Should change "write what you love" to "write what you're passionate about." Applies to the good & the bad. #litchat -2:33 PM Jun 30th, 2010

yobyh RT @THahnBurkett: Yes. RT @ErikaRobuck: Should change "write what you love" to "write what you're passionate about." Applies to the good & the bad. #litchat -2:34 PM Jun 30th, 2010

MariAdkins @Zoe_E_W @GeneDoucette just the writing ... LOL #litchat -2:39 PM Jun 30th, 2010

tommyjaybooks RT @InkMuse: I love Nancy Pickard, especially her most recent two books which are about her home town. You can tell she "feels" it. #litchat -2:45 PM Jun 30th, 2010

SMozer RT @kdueykduey: @GLHancock Plot is about the character, though. Don't ask what would happen next, ask what he/she will DO next...#litchat -3:21 PM Jun 30th, 2010

DawnHerring RT @wildbloom: I let the world build itself around the characters this last time around. Felt more organic that way. #litchat -3:28 PM Jun 30th, 2010