NEW RIVER OFFERS LITERARY WORKSHOP ON MAGIC REALISM

[LEWISBURG, W. VA.] New River Community and Technical College will offer a literary workshop on magic realism from 6-8 p.m. on two Tuesdays, Oct. 19 and 26, at the Jefferson Office Park in downtown Lewisburg, W. Va. The instructor is noted West Virginia author Belinda Anderson.

Many of the great classics of literature contain a wondrous element called magic realism, from D. H. Lawrence’s “The Rocking Horse Winner,” to “One Hundred Years of Solitude” by Gabriel Garcia Marquez.

Magic realism is a technique that presents an utterly impossibility as part of the normal world. It is a technique that is fun for the writer and a pleasure for the reader.

Anderson, who uses magic realism in her own books, will discuss how writers sprinkle magical elements into realistic settings. Readers will enjoy the excerpts provided, and writers will learn how make magic realism seem a natural extension of narrative.

Cost of the workshop is $75, and the registration deadline is Oct. 10. For more information or to register, call New River at (304) 872-4520.

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