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StoryADay September is The Perfect Challenge for Writers In Search of Focus

20 August, 2021: The StoryADay September challenge is just around the corner. This year the extreme-writing event offers a much-needed opportunity to stay focused on writing even as current events and increased personal obligations pull at writers' attention.

This year's challenge includes writing prompts from award-winning and best-selling authors like Roxane Gay, Premee Mohamed, Matthew Salesses, Rin Chupeco, Deesha Philyaw, A. T. Greenblatt, Caroline Kim, Michael X. Wang, Fran Wilde, and more.

As always, every writer can set their own rules. Don't want to write a story every day in September? That's fine. Just push yourself to write more than you usually would, then and stick to that commitment.

HOW TO TAKE PART IN STORYADAY

To receive all the prompts by email, writers can sign up at StoryADay.org/signup. During September they can visit the StoryADay.org blog each day to comment on how the writing is going. (There's no obligation to share stories publicly.)

WHY WRITE A STORYADAY?

StoryADay's founder & director Julie Duffy says,

"The idea is to break the grip of perfectionism that so often stops us from writing. Nobody can write 30 brilliant stories in a month, but the more we write, the more creative and skilled we become. Every year I hear from many people who have had success with a story or two that began life as a draft during StoryADay--whether that success is a publication or the confidence to turn it into a novel, or simply that it was the start of their journey towards feeling like a 'real' writer."

ABOUT STORYADAY

StoryADay has been a fixture on the writing calendar since May 2010, soon becoming a May & September event. StoryADay has been recognized as one of Writer's Digest's 101 Best Websites for Writers since 2017 and features articles, prompts, a year-round writing community, and a popular podcast. StoryADay September 2021 begins on September 1.