



Welcome! Thank you for your interest in joining us in Athlone Ireland this summer (**June 3, thru June 11, 2024**). Our facilitator is distinguished poet and writer Jaki Shelton Green the North Carolina U.S. Poet Laureate.

The full price of the trip is **\$2699.99**. Your place on the trip will be reserved when we receive your deposit of **\$500.00 (Due September 30, 2023)**. Payments can be made by [Zelle](#) or deposited in our account (Details will be provided). Second payment of **\$1100.00 due by January 2024** and All payments must be made by **May 1, 2024**. **(Price Does Not Include Airfare)**

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**Price includes:**

- Writing Retreat/Individual Consultation with Facilitator
- 7 Nights at the [Radisson Blu Hotel](#) – Athlone Ireland
- Transport from Airport (Dublin) June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024
- Complimentary Breakfast Daily
- Complimentary Welcome Dinner
- Day Trip to Dublin
- Day Trip to Cliffs of Moher & Galway
- Local Sights in Athlone
- Excursions to Birr Castle and Charleville Castle
- Complimentary Farewell Dinner
- Transport to Airport (Dublin) June 11, 2024

**NOTE: AIRFARE IS NOT INCLUDED**

Lodging is shared with one or two people, but we can offer single rooms for a **\$350.00** supplement, please let us know if you would like to request a single room; we will let you know if one is available. We will only charge the **\$350.00 Supplement** if we can confirm a single room for you. Will not be charged until we receive your confirmation for a single room.

## **Cancellation Policy**

All cancellations must be made prior to **March 1st**, 2024, \$100.00 of your deposit is NON-Refundable. If you cancel after **May 1, 2024**, only half of your trip payment is refundable.

## **Trip Insurance**

We strongly recommend you purchase comprehensive [travel insurance](#). We cannot take responsibility for loss, damage, or injury on the trip or during the retreat workshops.

## **Arrival**

Creative Ventures will provide pick up services for retreat guests from Dublin Airport at 12:00 PM Monday, June 3, 2024 with a stop for lunch before arriving in Athlone. Make sure you make your plane reservations to Dublin and arrive in Dublin by 10:00 AM Monday, June 3rd, 2024.

## **Currency**

The currency for Ireland is the Euro. ATMs are widely available in Ireland. Money is distributed as Euro. Major Credit Cards are accepted almost everywhere. Budget for MEALS, SHOPPING PER YOUR discretion.

## **Departure**

We will depart from Radisson Blu Hotel in Athlone on the morning of **Monday June 11, 2024, at 9:00 AM**. Please inform us if you need to depart earlier. The traveler is responsible for any require a taxi or train at your own expense. Passport is required by all travelers no Visa is required by US travelers to Ireland.

## **Passports & VISA**

Each participant needs a valid passport, but no VISA is currently for U.S. Citizens traveling to Ireland or the United Kingdom.

## **A Final Note from Our Host**

There will be two Zoom Calls to meet and greet and informational for everyone and final instructions before we depart for Ireland.