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Saturday, October 13: Oregon Writers Day – Celebrate the Craft of Writing

The 3rd Annual Oregon Writers Day event to celebrate local authors and the craft of writing is scheduled for Saturday – October 13, 2018, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, at the Coos History Museum. The event is in partnership with Southwestern Oregon Community College and will feature Dio Morales and Christopher Rose as the guest presenters.

Morales will offer a workshop on memoir writing, as well as speak about her latest book. Dio Morales earned her MFA from Oregon State University, where she now works as publishing manager for the OSU Extension. *Homing Instincts*, her first essay collection, highlights her bi-coastal sense of place and explores the many ways we define a sense of home at different points in our lives. Her writing has appeared in journals such as the Los Angeles Review of Books, Oregon Humanities Magazine, Crab Orchard Review, Colorado Review, and has twice made the “Notables” list for Best American Essays.

Christopher Rose will offer a concurrent workshop on Science Fiction/Fantasy Fiction. Rose teaches poetry, African American Literature, and Science Fiction at Portland Community College in Portland, Oregon.

The Annual Writers event will culminate with readings and awards from our creative writing competition. Whether you are a seasoned author, or beginner, plan to join us for this fun event to meet your fellow community writers and readers. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$8.00 for students. For questions or to pre-register for the writer workshop, please email: Education@cooshistory.org

For more information, please visit the museum website at: cooshistory.org

About the Coos History Museum:

The Coos History Museum creates a better understanding of life in Coos County and Oregon's South Coast, past and present. The Museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and receives no direct government support. The museum is supported by donations, memberships, grants, museum store sales, special event rentals, and legacy/bequest gifts. The Coos History Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday, from 10am to 5pm, with additional evening hours on the First Tuesdays of February to June, and August to December, from 6:00pm to 8:30pm. Second Sunday of each month is a FREE ADMISSION DAY. General admission to the Coos History Museum is free for CHM members, active duty military, and NARM members. The Coos History Museum is a Member of the North American Reciprocal Museum Association, the American Alliance of Museums, and the American Association for State and Local History. The Coos History Museum is located on the waterfront along Highway 101, adjacent to downtown Coos Bay, at 1210 North Front Street, Coos Bay, Oregon. For more information, contact the Coos History Museum at 541-756-6320 or visit the website at www.cooshistory.org.

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