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## Amelia Island Writers

**It's a month for roses and the beginning of summer. June's calendar of writer gatherings is located under the Related Resources tab of our website: <http://www.ameliaislandwriters.org>**

AIW Focus Groups are listed on the calendar according to their usual meeting dates.

**AIW potential interest in writing memoir - biography** tentatively meets Tuesday, June 11 for coffee, check the calendar for changes and details.

**AIW Eclectic Critique:** a chance to talk over your writing and receive gentle feedback on the second Thursday of the month.

**AIW Works in Progress:** all levels seeking to improve writing skills. "Study Pods" are enjoyable ways of learning together. Usually meets the fourth Tuesday. We are heading to Summer Camp in June, writing or re-writing fairy tales.

**AIW Writing for Stage and Screen:** generally held the fourth Thursday. It's the world of movies, t.v., and plays with the ever entertaining S&S folks. If you missed May's Acting Out at the Library, the S&S group hopes to present again sooner rather than later - and not have us wait another year.

**authors and others for their donations to our St. Pat's reading event at Marlin and Barrel Distillery and National Poetry Month - Lola Haskins program at the Island Art Assn. Ed. Bldg. Thanks to the following for providing their books and goodies for drawings: Nancy Blanton, John Cipriani (pseudonym Jean Vincennes), Celtic Charm, The Book Loft, Lola Haskins, Marlin and Barrel, Island Art Assn., Andrea Patten, Nola Perez, Suzanne Schiffman, Anonymous (financial to help with expenses), and AIW Executive Committee.**



**Congratulations to local authors on their new books, sequels, or websites launched this month:**

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**James H.K. Bruner, attorney and author, resides in Arundel, ME, Amelia Island, and Tallahassee, FL. His highly acclaimed "The Bike Cop in the Greater Weight of Evidence" is now awaiting Digger Davenport's next adventures in "The Bike Cop in Son Over the Yardarm." The sequel is being printed and anticipated for release later this month.**

<http://www.thebikecop.com>

**John Cipriani, writing under pen name Jean Vincennes is a**

fiction, memoir, non-fiction, and poetry. His love of history is revealed throughout his various works. <http://www.authorjeanvincennes.com>

Tom Hitchcock's "We Know Where You Live" is set against the backdrop of Northeast Florida and Nassau County. This just published novel follows on the heels of Hitchcock's popular "Girl in the Painting."  
<http://www.tomhitchcockwrites.com>

Donna Lee Overly releases the third in her Knot series, "The Hitch," on June 28. Donna's career in nursing combined with creative outlets allows her to explore tough issues that are prevalent in our society. Healing emotionally and becoming strong are common threads in her three books to date. <http://www.donnaleeoverly.com>



selection for inclusion into the Florida Writers Association 2019 collection Volume 11, themed *Writers at Work*. Every spring, entrants write to a theme and sixty are chosen for publication.

Dr. Nadine Vaughan - Williams D'Ardenne was selected for Volume 10, themed *Where Does Your Muse Live?* Volumes 1-10 available now for purchase, Volume 11 this fall. Marla McDaniel and Micah Ward have been published in *The Florida Writer Magazine*, also competitively writing to a theme. You could be next. Resources and opportunities at: <http://www.floridawriters.net>

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Contact Nancy Blanton if you would like to discuss your book at the local Senior Life Center (Council on Aging) featured author chats. [blantonn@msn.com](mailto:blantonn@msn.com)



Nancy Blanton, award winning author of 17th Century Irish fiction, received a notable review regarding "The Earl in Black Armor." Stephen Cooper, archivist at Wentworth Woodhouse (England), wrote of the extensive research conducted by Nancy, as she weaves together the historic nature of English and Irish society. Details at Nancy Blanton.author on Facebook. <http://www.nancyblanton.com>

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### **Book Signings** this month at **The Book Loft:**

- Saturday, June 15, 1-4 pm. Foreign and local intrigue await along with meeting Bruce Thomason and JD Hunter, authors of the Detective Clay Randall thriller series. <http://www.brucethomason.com>

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