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It's All About You: Writing Workshop with Michelle Tea

Michelle Tea, San Francisco-based queer author and literary happenings producer, will lead a creative writing workshop that explores the concept of self as a character in memoirs, fiction and personal narratives. The workshop, "It's All About You," will be at the [Olympia Timberland Library](#) on Tuesday, March 29 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. The class has a limit of 30 participants. Those interested may call or stop by the library to sign up beginning the Tuesday before the workshop.

Tea will talk about the many ways to use personal experience in writing, including traditional forms such as memoir and experimental or hybrid genres. She'll also discuss issues and responsibilities particular to first-person writing. "Come prepared to ask questions, write, share your work, and gossip," she advises.



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Tea is the founder and Artistic Director of RADAR Productions as well as the co-founder of the Sister Spit Ramblin' Road Show, spoken-word performances from the 1990s and early 2000s. She has written and edited numerous award-winning books and anthologies including [Rose of No Man's Land](#), [The Chelsea Whistle](#), and [Valencia](#).

RADAR Productions is a non-profit organization that produces literary programs and happenings to stimulate the creation of queer and underground literature. Sister Spit: The Next Generation, a new road show of literary performers, is touring in March and April. The Web site is <http://radarproductions.org/MichelleTeaSisterSPIT.html>.

The Olympia Timberland Library is at 313 8th Avenue SE. For more information about the workshop, call the library at (360) 352-0595 or go to www.TRL.org.

Timberland Regional Library provides for the information, reading and lifelong learning needs of the Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, and Thurston county public at 27 community public libraries and 7 library service partner locations. The library system is funded mainly by local property taxes. Anyone needing special accommodations to participate in a library's program may contact the library one week in advance.