

Storytelling Workshop



Hosted by TALES Calgary

“Storytelling - Jump Right In!”

Saturday, April 6, 2019

10:30 am to 1:30 pm – Loft 112 (112 - 535 8 Ave SE)
3 hours – max. 20 people – Light refreshments served

**Learn the fundamentals of oral storytelling performance –
whether you’re telling to family or to a paying audience**

We will explore the essential elements of the oral tradition, including:

- Story shape: Gain, retain, repay
- Story components: Character, catalyst, consequences, climax, conclusion
- Expressive language, voice, movement and gesture
- Rehearsing: Internal and external work
- Mindfulness and flexibility in performance
- Working with props and costumes

To register: www.talesalberta.org

Presenters:

Mary Hays

Mary Hays is a full-time storyteller who enjoys telling stories that tickle the funnybone and touch the heart. She enlivens storytelling sessions and workshops with puppets, rhymes and a range of stories from folktales to stories of Alberta history. She is trained in Speech Arts and Drama from the Royal Conservatory and the Mount Royal Conservatory. Her training includes a study of vocal production and performance. Mary teaches storytelling, coaches public speaking and tells stories in schools, libraries, senior’s homes, tipis and cemeteries. Storytelling anytime, anywhere!

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Doreen Vanderstoop

Doreen Vanderstoop is a Calgary storyteller, musician and writer. In her theme-based performances, which often include music, Doreen enjoys actively engaging her listeners. She has performed her original stories, personal anecdotes as well as literary adaptations, historical stories and folktales at festivals, schools, libraries, church gatherings, Story Cafés and cemeteries. Doreen received the 2015 TALES Emerging Storyteller Award. She also assists in the presentation of the Kairos Blanket Exercise, an experiential learning tool that teaches about the history of Indigenous people in Canada.

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Mary and Doreen are members of TALES (The Alberta League Encouraging Storytelling) and Storytellers of Canada/Conteurs du Canada