



**Lift your writing to a new level.  
Spend a weekend online with other writers, under the guidance of two experienced writing tutors – both multi-published award-winning authors.**

## **August 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> – Your At Home Writing Retreat.**

Stay home and learn as Alison May and Janet Gover lead a Friday to Sunday online writing retreat.

The Retreat kicks off on Friday evening with a Zoom session to meet your tutors and the other writers. We'll be talking about all things writerly.

On Saturday and Sunday, at your own pace, watch our videos and download our handouts covering important topics such as showing and telling, character and story arc, themes, editing and how to sell your book in an increasingly competitive industry.

Join in the forums to ask questions and share experiences with other writers and our tutors.

Submit a sample of your work, then get expert advice in a one to one Zoom session with one of the tutors.

A final group Zoom session will help you set your new writing goals and end our weekend together feeling refreshed and inspired. And you'll be able to drop back into the forums and re-watch the video tutorials throughout the following week.

### Your tutors:



Alison May is a qualified teacher and writes romcoms, book club fiction and award-winning short stories. She is currently Chair of the Romantic Novelists' Association. [www.alison-may.co.uk](http://www.alison-may.co.uk)

RoNA Award winner Janet Gover writes women's fiction and romance. She is the RNA's New Writers' Scheme organiser and a specialist in on-line teaching. [www.janetgover.com](http://www.janetgover.com)



Alison and Janet also write collaboratively as Juliet Bell.

### The Cost:

The cost for the weekend and for access to the forums and course material for a week after the weekend is £49.50. For RNA members, who book before 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020, there is a 10% discount, bringing the cost to £44.55

## The Schedule:

Due to popular demand, this weekend is a return of our July online retreat, and will cover the same subjects.

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	
Throughout the day	Students can sign in to Moodle and view the welcome video and introduce themselves in the forum.
7.30pm LIVE	Welcome chat with Alison, Janet and the whole group
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	
9.30am	Setting & World Building tutorial video with Janet available and handout available to download
9.30am	Character & Plot tutorial video with Alison available and handout available to download
11am-12noon LIVE	Alison & Janet will be in the group forum to answer questions and discuss Setting & World Building
2pm-3pm LIVE	Alison & Janet will be in the group forum to answer questions and discuss Character and Plot
Throughout the day	Alison & Janet will do video one-to-ones with each student and will drop into the forums to answers questions and take part in discussions.
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	
9.30am	What's your book really about? tutorial video with Alison available and handout available to download
9.30am	Selling Your Book tutorial video with Janet available and handout available to download
11am-12noon LIVE	Alison & Janet will be in the group forum to answer questions and talk about what your book is really about
2pm-3pm LIVE	Alison & Janet will be in the group forum to answer questions and discuss Selling your Book
Throughout the day	Alison & Janet will do video one-to-ones with each student and will drop into the forums to answers questions and take part in discussions.
4.30pm LIVE	Farewell chat with Alison, Janet and the whole group.
After the weekend	
Until 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Forums will remain live for further discussion and the video tutorials can be viewed again and again

## To Book:

Go to <https://alison-may.co.uk/for-writers/virtual-courses-and-retreats/course-retreat-booking/> and complete the booking form.

If you have any problems please contact Alison directly – [alison@alison-may.co.uk](mailto:alison@alison-may.co.uk)

