



A WRITING WORKSHOP INSPIRED BY VIVIAN MAIER'S PHOTOGRAPHY & THE ART OF KEEPING SECRETS

"A picture is a secret about a secret, the more it tells you the less you know." Diane Arbus

In this four-week online writing workshop offered at Rutgers' Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, we will explore the work of Vivian Maier, a pioneer of street photography, using her images of mid-century Chicago and New York as inspiration for poems and stories of our own. A reclusive "Mary Poppins" who once looked after talk show host Phil Donahue's children, Maier captured over 100,000 images of city life, none of which she ever developed, much less shared with the world. Sometime before her death in 2009, thousands of her negatives were discovered in an abandoned storage locker, identified as hers, and deservingly brought to international attention. Integral to our discussions and sharing of work will be readings from little and well-known wordsmiths. Writers at all stages of their career are welcome to join our supportive writing community.

Thursdays 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM EST

April 17th – May 8th (Online)

Tuition (4 Sessions): \$32 Member/\$48 Non-Member

For more information or to register:

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