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*Writing Retreat
Tuscany, Italy*



*Certosa di Pontignano
30th June - 6th July
2024*

Your Tuscan Writing Retreat is dedicated writing time for you – the writer you currently are - to be the writer you aspire to be. It is the opportunity to engage in a bespoke week-long retreat and have the time to write brilliantly in a way that changes you and the world.

Your program has been carefully crafted to balance personal writing time with Accelerator Workshops and community writing sessions.

You will have time to follow my five-step time allocation process and engage in the full writing process – transforming the way you write so it becomes effortless and second nature.

Accelerator sessions will guide you through strategies that develop your writing process. These sessions are based on my book – ***Time to Write Persuasively. A Five-Step Guide For Ambitious Researchers***, where you will learn how to:



1. Make time to think - and smooth the way to completion
2. Make time to read - beyond the obvious and nail who will benefit from your writing
3. Make time to plan - revolutionise your purpose and your dot-point plan
4. Make time to write - personalise your annual writing plan and collate your recipes
5. Make time to revise - be brave and revise frequently.

At the end of the week you will develop your **Annual Writing Plan**, writing down when in the year you have deadlines for writing. Knowing all of your writing responsibilities for the year means you can be in control. It will guide you to prioritise your writing after the retreat.

Your writing will be much more impactful. Thinking, reading, planning, writing and revising creates writing that matters. You will craft words that influence and persuade, guided by **your expert Writing Coach**, Karyn who provides critical strategies, resources and amazingly insightful feedback.

This writing retreat is for

Writers of research

- in academia and industry
- at all levels – and any stage of your career
- from any discipline
- ready to do a large amount of good writing.

Partners are welcome. Refer below for details.



Your outcomes – What you will achieve

- a large amount of good writing – developed from 1-2-1 feedback sessions with Karyn and your peers – all ready for publication.
- Annual Writing Plan for the year that sets you up for success. When you see what you have to do, you can make time to write efficiently, successfully and brilliantly.
- personal copy of the book ***Time to Write Persuasively. A Five-Step Guide For Ambitious Researchers*** complete with strategies that take you through the Five-Step Framework of the writing process to ensure you continue to write persuasively.

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Retreat Highlights - What's included

- ✓ 6 nights – 5 days at Certosa di Pontignano, a 10 minute drive from Siena in Tuscany Italy.
- ✓ We have a spacious common room to work together and beautiful spaces around the historical Charterhouse to write. Certosa di Pontignano is on a hill overlooking the city of Siena. All rooms are beautifully appointed and you have views and access to the wonderful Italian garden and the Certosa lemon house.
- ✓ Check in 3pm Sunday 30 June, 2024.
- ✓ 5pm - Meet your fellow writers, share your intentions for your time on the retreat and discuss how to get the most from your retreat experience – all before dinner.
- ✓ Daily you will have Accelerator Sessions to focus your writing + time to relax in the beautiful gardens.
- ✓ Meals will be shared together in the restaurant where you can taste the seasonal flavours of Sienese cuisine, made in house.
 - Dinner Sunday evening and each evening except Wednesday
 - Breakfast every day, including the Saturday you depart
 - Lunch every day, except Wednesday.
- ✓ A one hour guided walk through the venue where you are staying – the Charterhouse of Certosa di Pontignano, a Carthusian monastery from the 13th C now acquired by the University of Siena and used for academic meetings, conferences, and celebrations.
- ✓ Wednesday to explore the stunning Tuscan countryside. Our very own Antonella from My Tuscan Experience will provide a range of activities for you to take a break from writing. Refer below for details.



You will have a practical, memorable and transformative experience, and efficiently communicate the value of what your research is all about.

The rate

\$3950 (AUD) per participant. Contact Karyn by emailing writing@klgcommunications.com.au to secure your place and discuss payment options.

Refunds

The nature of the retreat means refunds are not possible. You are encouraged to take out a travel insurance policy. Please notify us as soon as possible if you need to cancel your booking.

What is not included?

- Flight to Italy. You can land at Pisa, Florence or Rome. We can advise and organise how you can travel from Pisa or Florence. Those who land in Rome can catch the train to Siena. You can take a taxi from Siena train station to your accommodation Certosa di Pontignano.

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- Lunch and dinner on Wednesday. You are likely to be out and about enjoying Tuscany on Wednesday and therefore have the opportunity to dine where you visit.
- Alcohol.
- You have the opportunity on Wednesday to
 - continue writing for the day, or
 - undertake your choice of excursions, for example:
 - visit local vineyards and drink the famous Brunello wine
 - have an olive oil tasting session
 - visit Siena by taxi as it readies for Palio di Siena
 - visit Florence.



These additional activities can be organised and paid for by you when you arrive.

- Partners - If your partner is not participating in the writing retreat then they will need to organise how they spend their time. Antonella, our Tuscan travel agent extraordinaire will be available to offer advice and booking opportunities. There is a €25 surcharge per day for the accommodation, and a surcharge of €30 and €35 for lunch and dinner per day. Breakfast is included.

Retreat Schedule

Sunday 30th June	5.00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival, check in and welcome
Monday 1st July & Tuesday 2nd July	7.00am 9.00am - 5.00pm One hour for lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast • Writing + Accelerator Sessions + 1-2-1 feedback with Karyn and group writing circles
Wednesday 3rd July	7.00am 9.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast • Your choice of writing or an excursion
Thursday 4th July & Friday 5th July	7.00am 9.00am to 5.00pm One hour for lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast • Writing + Accelerator Sessions + 1-2-1 feedback with Karyn and group writing circles
Saturday 6th July	7.00am 11.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast • Depart

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Be ambitious.

Write the change you want to see in the world, make time to write persuasively with your expert writing coach.

Karyn Gonano is a communications expert and writing coach working in universities and enterprises worldwide. Through her training and mentoring, her clients have created opportunities and time, rebooted their confidence and professional pride, and achieved remarkable professional outcomes.

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