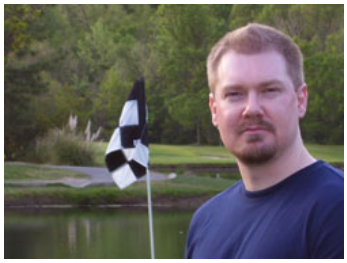
Charlotte, NC – Registration is open at www.ncwriters.org for the North Carolina Writers' Network's 2008 Elizabeth Daniels Squire Summer Residency, July 25 – 27 on the campus of Queens University of Charlotte.

Writers from Queens, UNC-Charlotte, and Davidson College will teach intensive, three-day workshops in poetry, fiction, and creative nonfiction. The residency will also feature faculty and student readings, a publishing forum, and a picnic at Freedom Park with an outdoor reading. Registrants stay on-campus to further an atmosphere of collegiality, although "commuting students" are also accepted for the program at a reduced rate.

"We're very excited to offer the Summer Residency again," said NCWN executive director Ed Southern. "Past attendees have called this their favorite of all the programs that the Network offers."

Julie Funderburk, who came to Queens in 2003 after serving as assistant director of UNC-Greensboro's MFA program, will teach the poetry workshop, which "will focus on giving participants specific ways to analyze and classify poems."



UNC-Charlotte assistant professor of English Aaron Gwyn, whose novel The World Beneath will be published in 2009 by W. W. Norton & Co., will teach a fiction workshop that "will explore what successful authors do to start their novels and stories, as well as potential pitfalls they avoid . . . and discuss effective ways of shaping the beginning of novels or stories to attract the attention of agents and editors."