

## **Write Club Anthology Volume 1: An Unexpected Journey**

Okay, you want to participate in the anthology. What next? How do you apply “An Unexpected Journey” to YOUR writing voice? Here are some suggestions for different genres. These are ONLY suggestions to help you get started, not a hard directive to take these angles. An Unexpected Journey might be a literal trip you take, a personal growth story, a tale of comeuppance or serendipity, or any other kind of journey.

Mystery: A down-on-his luck private investigator spots an ad online: “ISO a detective willing to travel to Egypt to investigate my death BEFORE I am killed.”

Romance: A young woman is invited to be on the newest season of a dating game show. The catch? She doesn’t know where it will be filmed.

Thriller: A secret service agent is summoned overseas for a top secret transportation detail that may determine the fate of the country.

Inspirational: A sudden life change (baby, dog, car accident, inheritance of money) challenges a man’s values and encourages him to consider: am I acting in accordance with what I believe to be the right thing to do?

Scifi: Passengers on a shuttle to Mars awake from cryo-sleep to discover the autopilot has overshot their destination...by a few star systems.

Fantasy: A spinning shimmering portal appears in the middle of a busy shopping center, and out steps four lost Fae.

Horror: As the ghostly cries become more insistent, the Smiths must find a way to return the bones they found to Ireland, before the spirit becomes impatient and follows up on its sinister promises.

Poetry: First I was one thing, then I was another. A place too beautiful for words, only feelings.

Life story/Memoir: A place you didn’t expect to see in your lifetime. A trip you didn’t want to take where you learned something new. A person you didn’t expect to meet and the consequences of that meeting.

General Fiction: A man wakes up with no memory of how he got to this hotel room. He steps outside expecting another day at the beach in Florida but steps into knee deep snow.

Western: After a long ride moving cattle from Salt Lake, Wayne John finds that Deadwood isn’t his final destination after all.

Easy Reads/Beach Reads: They were sorority sisters who became lifelong friends. Now that their children are grown, the gang is headed to Las Vegas for a special fiftieth birthday celebration for Sarah. A mixup at Delta leaves the gang stranded in Charlotte, and they decide to make the best of it.