

November 13, 7-9 pm, Napa Valley Writers Presents
The Muse Board—An Innovative Writing Tool

Napa Valley Writers will host **Jill Hedgecock**, who will speak about muse boards and how they can help your writing. A muse board is a visual aid designed to:

- create mood,
- inform plot
- assist in character development
- inspire descriptive prose

Less formal and structured than a storyboard, this tool can loosely serve a similar function.

Jill's talk will cover differing formats (physical versus digital), what content can be used in creating a board, the advantages and a few pitfalls to be aware of while creating this tool, and how the board can help strengthen writing weaknesses and inform plot.

Jill Hedgecock is an award-winning and internationally published author who speaks to local organizations on a variety of topics. She serves as the Program Coordinator for the Mount Diablo branch of CWC and regularly writes freelance articles and monthly book review columns for Books 'N Pieces Magazine, as well as The Diablo Gazette, an East Bay entertainment magazine. Jill's work appeared in the 2016 and 2017 CWC Literary Review magazines. Her debut novel, *Rhino in the Room*, won a New Apple award for excellence in indie publishing.

Visit her website: <http://www.jillhedgecock.com>

Bo Kearns will be November's member reader.