AWP’s Twenty-second Tweet Chat: #AskAWP17
January 30, 2017 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. ET

In just one hour, we'll be chatting with you about the #AWP17 Conference & Bookfair. Please ask questions & share advice using #AskAWP17.

Write up an #AWP17 conference report for @AssayJournal! Cover a reading, a talk! #AskAWP17 @awpwriter Sat into:
https://assayjournal.wordpress.com/2017/01/26/assayawp17-call-for-saturday-bloggers/ ...

Will you encourage conference attendees to use @lyft or public transportation around DC? #AskAWP17
Absolutely. See the "Washington, DC Public Transportation" section of our Hotel & Travel page: https://www.awpwriter.org/awp_conference/hotel_travel_overview ...

Welcome to the #AskAWP17 tweet chat about the 2017 Conference & Bookfair in Washington, DC.

The conference staff is live for the next hour to answer all of your #AskAWP17 questions.

With us are AWP's Director of Conferences @ChristianTeresi and Director of Exhibits @cshermanva. #AskAWP17
Also here are Registration Coordinator @AWPsTiffany and Events Coordinator Colleen Cable @colleen_cable. #AskAWP17

Have you been to an AWP conference? Got tips, advice, regrets? Please share your wisdom during the chat using #AskAWP17

Feel free to ask Conference & Bookfair questions any time during the #AskAWP17 chat.

@awpwriter Thanks! I'm wondering if AWP is formally involved in/ helping organize the candlelight vigil on Saturday night #askAWP17

@baypathmfaCNF We have a small staff, and they are unfortunately going to have their hands full with the conference itself. @awpwriter
@baypathmfaCNF We plan on posting information about the event to social media today. We want to get the word out. @awpwriter

@baypathmfaCNF AWP is not involved but we applaud those efforts to support and defend freedom of expression. #askwp17 @awpwriter

@ChristianTeresi @awpwriter Understood, thanks. #askwp17

Have questions about which type of registration to purchase? Ask me now or email me at registration@awpwriter.org! #AskAWP17

@awpwriter thanks! was wondering if general public can buy single ticket to a talk #askwp17

@rebsee In order to attend an event, you would need to register for the entire conference. We offer great low student/senior rates #AskAWP17
@AWPsTiffany thanks, am already registered. asking for someone interested in chimamanda/ta-nehsi event only. can i share my pass? #AskAWP17

@AWPsTiffany Sorry, no. The registrations are specific to the individual, and are not meant to be shared. @AWPsTiffany

@rebsee There are no tickets to single events. Though we do have Sat day passes to attend all Sat. events for only $45. @awpwriter #askawp17

@rebsee You mean affiliation? Yes, you can add an institutional affiliation by signing into your AWP user account. #askawp17
Hello! Cynthia Sherman here, happy to answer your #AWP17 bookfair questions. Tweet or email bookfair@awpwriter.org #AskAWP17

#AWP17 Parking Information
http://www.dcconvention.com/Venues/ConventionCenter/DirectionsAndParking.aspx ... #AskAWP17

Is it a good idea for a writer to bring business cards? copies of stories? anything else? #AskAWP17

@charliebravo88 The conference provides a lot of opportunity to meet and network - bring those business cards! #AskAWP17

@colleen_cable Thanks. See you there!
@charliebravo88 Yes, bring some cards, if you have them. Probably not copies of stories. But something with your email and links is good.

@charliebravo88 Also, practice your elevator pitch — if someone asks what you're writing and you have 30 seconds, what do you tell them!

Did you know your AWP badge will get you discounts at museums, restaurants, and more? Check out: https://washington.org/syb  #AskAWP17

For the most current information download the #AWP17 Mobile App at https://guidebook.com/app/awp  #AskAWP17

Be sure the name on your badge is spelled correctly! If your badge is linked to your account, check here: https://www.awpwriter.org/user/registration_management ... #AskAWP17
The W's MFA in CW

@awpwriter I see that Will Call registration is still available, right? What's the difference between that and regular registration?

AWP@awpwriter

@TheW_MFACW Yes. Will-call registration is just regular registration purchased online after pre-registration & before conference. #AskAWP17

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@TheW_MFACW The only difference is that, by purchasing online, you save time when picking up your badge at the kiosks. #AskAWP17

Tiffany@AWPsTiffany

@TheW_MFACW Will Call will provide you with the same access to the conference as regular registration. #AskAWP17

https://www.awpwriter.org/awp_conference/registration_overview ...

Cynthia Sherman@cshermanva

Check out Exhibitor Spotlights on the AWP-BF FB Page https://www.facebook.com/pages/AWP-Bookfair/536254749775315 ... #AskAWP17
Onsite registration is going to be located inside Salon ABC of the Convention Center #askawp17. https://www.awpwriter.org/awp_conference/registration_overview ...

Best advice for navigating registration? I say get there early and have your confirmation email printed. #AskAWP17

Great advice! Bring that unique registration code we emailed you and picking up your badge will only take seconds! #AskAWP17

Do you have a sense of how US Govt's new travel bans might affect AWP? E.g. Will any ppl be unable to attend? #AskAWP17

We have not yet been contacted by anyone who is affected by the ban, but we are monitoring the situation. @awpwriter #AskAWP17
@ChristianTeresi Is @awpwriter proactively investigating if anyone is being prevented from attending the conference?

@ChristianTeresi

@tom_cho We are not aware (either through our own efforts or from outside AWP) of any registered attendee or presenter affected.

@awpwriter

@christianteresi @awpwriter OK, thanks for letting me know.

Kevin McKelvey

So we're going to ask @awpwriter why the book fair isn't open to the public on Saturday?

@KevinMcKelvey & of course, it's open to the public, just not for free. There is the discounted Sat. pass for $45. @awpwriter #AskAWP17

Cynthia Sherman @cshermanva

Check out all of the awesome bookfair exhibitors!
https://www.awpwriter.org/awp_conference/bookfair_exhibitors_list ... #askwp17
@awpwriter Are there still volunteer opportunities available? #AskAWP17

@TheW_MFACW I'm sorry the opportunity to volunteer has passed. #AskAWP17

@awpwriter If you're in town on Wednesday afternoon, pick up your badge at registration then so you're all set for Thursday events #AskAWP17

Ponder Review @PonderReview

Save time for the Book Fair! And save room for all the books & things you’ll bring home! We’ll be at #841T #AskAWP17

@awpwriter #askawp17 Scope out a couple of sessions (near each other, if possible) so that if one is packed, you know where you want to go instead.
We will be offering a one-day pass for Saturday, Feb 11th, of the conference this badge will only be sold onsite on that day. #askawp17

Attendees make a list of the bookfair exhibitors you would like to see & then be open to the fun of discovering new organizations! #AskAWP17

#AskAWP17 some members of my student org didn't receive their email confirmations. Will they still be able to pick up their badges with IDs?

@TessDuck They should check with registration@awpwriter.org in case we have the wrong email addresses on their badges.

@TessDuck The should check their spam folder, and contact @AWPsTiffany at registration@awpwriter.org. #askawp17
@TessDuck thanks, I'll have them email registration

@ChristianTeresi They can still pick up badges, but it will take longer. They definitely want to get the confirmation with the code ASAP #askwp17

Cynthia Sherman @cshermanva

Exhibitors make friends with your bookfair neighbors to spot each other for breaks! #AskAWP17

The W's MFA in CW @TheW_MFACW 32m32 minutes ago

#askwp17 We have students in a low-res MFA attending on student registrations. They have IDs, but not w/ Spring 2017. Is this a problem?

@TheW_MFACW No problem, they can also provide a class schedule, acceptance email/letter, email/letter from a dean or professor #AskAWP

@awpstiffany Thank you! I’ll let them know.
Wi-fi is free throughout the convention center! #askwp17

WiFi is for email & moderate web browsing, but signal is not strong enough for more complicated uses like streaming video. #askwp17

Get an email saying someone purchased you a badge? Make sure to confirm your registration by "linking" it to your AWP user account #askwp17

Heading to #AWP17 on the Metro? Remember to stand to the right or walk on the left when using the escalators! #AskAWP17

The Mt Vernon Sq/Convention Center stop is on the green & yellow lines. Check for delays or announcements: https://www.wmata.com/service/status/ #AskAWP17
#AskAWP17 Look for some great swag at the Book Fair, esp. calls for submissions. Talk to editors. Buy sample copies (or get free ones).

Cynthia Sherman @cshermanva

Cell phone connectivity in the BF is good & a square can be used to run CC transactions w/exception of peak times #AskAWP17

Cynthia Sherman @cshermanva

To guarantee internet access, Smart City offers an exhibitors special, call them directly at 202.249.3800 #AskAWP17

Tiffany @AWPsTiffany

If you have questions about the DC Convention Center, check out the Attendee FAQ page. https://www.awpwriter.org/awp_conference/faqs#AttendeeFAQ ...... #AskAWP17

Adam Clay @adam__clay

self-care tip: buy a bag of lemons when you arrive. drink a big glass of lemon water each night and one first thing each morning #AskAWP17
#AskAWP17 any good places to eat on a student budget? We were thinking Daikaya, but it's out of our price range.

@TessDuck There are a ton of options, & taking a look at zagat or another food app is the best way to find inexpensive venues. #AskAWP17

@TessDuck You might have to walk a few blocks, but this is probably be the most options our attendees have had in a while. #AskAWP17

Don't buy books on the first day. Do bring a second suitcase (pack your suitcase inside another suitcase) for books. #AskAWP17

Or bring a flat rate USPS box that's self-addressed to ship books and journals back #AskAwp17
To view and manage your conference badge information, visit https://www.awpwriter.org/user/registration_management ... #AskAWP17

AWP provides 24 hr security, still a good idea to bring a cloth to cover your exhibit table nightly & take small valuables w/ you! #AskAWP17

@adam__clay Thank you for the great tips, Adam, feel free to keep posting them! #AskAWP17

Need some vegetarian/vegan dining options? We've got a list of some AWP staff favorites: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fvXjNaqL7WiFUTvNms0GbleisJ1X8LumFlOMxMw/edit?usp=sharing ... #askwp17

subscribe to a few journals--rates will be VERY low. be a good literary citizen! #AskAWP17

#askwp17 Don't miss out on the many off-site events. It's impossible to do everything, but you should see what's happening.
For exhibitors, the handy carry rule is no charge for one load per person carried into exhibit hall #AskAWP17

Text a few editor friends before you show up each morning--ask them if they need coffee and bring some caffeine for your pals #AskAwp17

Have more than 1 trip of hand carry items? Brede charges $90 rate per flat cart load of boxes from your car at the loading dock #AskAWP17

You can still assign EABs on your exhibit space management page! #AskAWP17

Right! You'll need EABs in order to set up your exhibit space, so be sure you've got them assigned to the right people! #AskAWP17
Adam Clay @adam__clay

If you want to blend in at the bookfair, grow a beard and wear a flannel shirt #AskAWP17

Cynthia Sherman @cshermanva

@adam__clay Or a sock monkey hat! #askwp17

The W's MFA in CW @TheW_MFACW

#askwp17 Have fun, make friends, go to readings, find new magazines, wear comfortable shoes/clothes, prepare to be exhausted/energized.

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Thank you for joining us for our #AskAWP17 chat! Keep sharing your best advice using #AWPTips

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Please join us on Feb 23 for #TellAWP17, a tweet chat for you to share your conference feedback with us. #AskAWP17