

## Who's Who at Women Writing for (a) Change

Spotlight on: Sally Schneider

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*Storycatchers entice our best tales out of us: they turn with a leading question, a waiting ear, and their full attention. In return, we speak...we write...and we are heard. Storycatchers invite the stories we most need to come forward into the community. Storycatchers know that the mix of wisdom and wit and wonder that spills into the room in story space will reconnect us.*

~Christina Baldwin, [Storycatcher: Making Sense of Our Lives through the Power and Practice of Story](#)

I first discovered the magic of Women Writing for (a) Change at a Saturday Sampler in 1998 and enrolled in my first class a year later. Finding my voice, telling my story, being heard, and *really* hearing others were transformational experiences. Through my participation in these circles I grew – not only as a writer – but, also, in my capacity to listen to and support others. I enrolled in and graduated from the Feminine Leadership Academy in 2006, and facilitated my first core class in 2007. Since that time, my passion for Women Writing for (a) Change has grown ever stronger. I now have the privilege of leading two core classes: the Marvelous Monday Nighters and the Terrific Tuesday Writers.



I enjoy the music of language and like to fool around with words. My writing usually takes the form of journaling, essays, and playful poems; I am currently working on a couple of books in verse for young children. But mostly, I love being a “storycatcher.” In this role, I use WWf(a)C practices to create sacred space for women to share their deepest stories.

Outside of WWf(a)C, I connect readers with books at the Blue Ash library, dance to Latin rhythms in my Zumba classes, walk at the Cincinnati Nature Center, and sip tea at favorite cafes. I visit (via Skype) my son in Scotland and my daughter in Florida, and enjoy outings with my favorite mom!