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CALLING ALL GCC WRITERS TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL WRITING DAY

Deptford Twp –The power of the written word will be celebrated nationwide on October 20, when wordsmiths from every walk of life share their writing on the National Day on Writing. Lori Joyce, assistant professor of communications at Gloucester County College, is putting out a call for everyone who is or was affiliated with the College to submit entries to the national writing project.

“We have an opportunity to contribute our writing, any kind of writing that is important to us, to the National Writing Project, an endeavor that seeks to celebrate writing in the 21st century,” said Joyce, curator of GCC’s writing gallery. “I have set up a presence within the National Gallery of Writing Web site for submissions from our extended community. Our gallery is accepting academic work, creative writing, e-mail communications—basically any kind of writing that serves to illustrate our connection as a community that experiences the shared bond of writing.”

Whether we call it texting , IMing, jotting a note, writing a letter, posting an e-mail, blogging, making a video, building an electronic presentation, composing a memo, keeping a diary, or just pulling together a report, Americans are writing like never before. This is the first time that a day has been set aside to recognize writers of all kinds. The effort is being sponsored by the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE), a group devoted to improving the teaching and learning of English and the language arts at all levels of education.

The NCTE will launch the virtual National Gallery of Writing on October 20 with the Web site remaining open to readers through June 30, 2010. Information on the Gallery’s writing guidelines is available at <http://galleryofwriting.org/guidelines>.

To submit work to GCC's National Gallery of Writing page, go to <http://galleryofwriting.org/galleries/185708>. Submissions will be accepted until October 20; however, the deadline is October 15 for work to appear in the gallery on opening day. For more information, contact Lori Joyce at ljoyce@gccnj.edu or (856) 415-2139.

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