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The University of Dayton

News Release

5th ANNUAL UD WRITERS' WORKSHOP TO FEATURE ERMA BOMBECK

DAYTON, Ohio, October 29, 1982 -- Erma Bombeck, one of Dayton's most famous natives, will be the keynote speaker at the fifth annual University of Dayton Writers' Workshop on Friday, November 19. Bombeck, a graduate of the University of Dayton, began her career at the Journal Herald. Her column, "At Wit's End," is published in 900 newspapers throughout the world. She will speak at 9 a.m. in Kennedy Union Ballroom, with a press conference immediately following.

For the first time, the workshop will feature 11 writers who are all UD alumni. The subjects of the sessions range from sports and feature writing to corporate communications and advertising.

In the field of newspaper reporting, John "Bucky" Albers, a writer for the Journal Herald since 1962, will speak on sports writing. Janet Filips, a writer for Dayton Newspapers, will discuss feature writing. A session on political reporting will be given by Mary Anne Sharkey, a reporter for the Columbus bureau of Dayton Newspapers, Inc. Diana Kunde, financial editor of the Journal Herald and the Dayton Daily News, will give her insights on business and financial reporting.

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The topic of community newspapers will be addressed by Nick Sharkey, managing editor of The Observer and Eccentric Newspapers in Michigan.

Several sessions on other areas of communications will also be offered. John Lilienthal, manager of Corporate Affairs for the Duriron Company, will speak on corporate communications. The field of advertising will be discussed by John McNally, a copy/contact person for Oppenheim, Herminghausen, Clarke Agency.

In addition, a session on poetry will be presented by Leonard Roberts, a practicing poet and author of two collections of his works.

Martha Dunsky, a photographer/reporter with WHIO News, will give a presentation on video essays, and Barbara and James Farrelly, free-lance writers who have worked extensively on such publications as, "Dayton: A History in Photographs," will give a presentation on free lance projects.

The workshop will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fees for the day will be \$15.00 for non-students, \$7.00 for non-UD students and senior citizens, and \$5.00 for UD students, faculty and staff. Lunch with the presenters is available for an additional \$3.50. Registration is limited and on a first-come first-served basis. For more ticket information, call 229-2426.

The press conference with Erma Bombeck will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., November 19 in the Kennedy Union Art Gallery. For information on interviews and other details, contact RoNita Hawes, at 229-3241.