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The University of Dayton

News Release

'E.T.' AUTHOR WILLIAM KOTZWINKLE WILL SPEAK AT UD WRITERS' WORKSHOP

DAYTON, Ohio, March 22, 1989--William Kotzwinkle, author of "E.T. The Extra-terrestrial," 14 children's books and several screenplays, will speak at the University of Dayton on Wednesday, April 5 at 8 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Ballroom on campus.

His presentation, part of the UD Distinguished Speakers Series, is free and open to the public. He will speak on the problems facing screenwriters and read from his newly published book, "The Midnight Examiner."

Kotzwinkle will also serve as the keynote speaker for the Eleventh Annual UD Writers' Workshop to be offered from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 6 on campus. He will speak on "The Diversity of the Writer's Voice" from 9:10 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in the Kennedy Union East Ballroom.

Kotzwinkle's screenwriting credits include "Nightmare on Elm Street 4: The Dream Master." His books for children include "The Firemen," "The Ship that Came Down the Gutter" and "The Leopard's Tooth." Also a successful fantasy writer, he has published books such as "The Fan Man," "Jack in the Box" and "Fata Morgana." He has been honored with the World Fantasy Award and the National Book Critics Award and has received the National Magazine Award for Fiction twice.

The UD Writers' Workshop will feature sessions on all types of writing. Registration deadline is March 31, and the cost is \$16 in advance or \$20 at the door. An optional luncheon with the presenters is \$4.50. Topics and presenters will include:

Poetry -- Amy Jo Schoonover, whose poems have appeared in more than 120 magazines, anthologies and textbooks.

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Fiction -- Eve Shelnutt, published writer and creative writing professor at Ohio University.

Newsriting -- Annette M. Taylor, assistant professor of journalism at UD and former daily newspaper reporter and editor.

Sportswriting -- Tom Archdeacon, special assignment sports reporter for the Dayton Daily News.

Feature Writing -- Mary Sikora, staff writer for the Dayton Daily News.

Free-lance Writing -- Mark Shelton, associate editor of Ohio Magazine and non-fiction writer.

Free-lance Special Projects -- Linda Lombard, who specializes in publications and community promotions, edits Dayton Magazine for the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce and the Kettering Quarterly for Kettering Medical Center, and writes fashion columns for the Dayton Daily News.

Technical Writing -- Charles T. Brusaw, professional writing specialist and seminar director at NCR and co-author of books on writing.

Photojournalism -- Skip Peterson, director of photography for the Dayton Daily News and adjunct instructor of photojournalism at UD.

Rights and Copyrights -- Bill Strickland, associate editor of Writer's Digest.

Writing Brochures, Newsletters and Press Releases -- Deborah McCarty Smith, senior periodicals editor in UD's public relations office and editor of Campus Report, and Janet D. Kauffman, account manager at Miami Valley Hospital, responsible for the production and distribution management of ProHealth magazine.

For further information or registration for the workshop, call (513) 229-4114.

NOTE TO EDITORS: William Kotzwinkle will be available to talk with the media on Wednesday, April 5 from 2 to 3 p.m. in Kennedy Union Room 207 on campus. For further information, contact Teri Rizvi or Pam Huber at (513) 229-3241.