



A Gathering of Voices: The Longwood Writers Workshop **Extended Biography**

GW WILLIAMS

GW Williams is journeying from the stricture of writing for business to learning to master the creative world of story. Along the road she's written poetry and prose and developed messaging in the form of narrative columns in quarterly corporate communications. She was born in Santa Monica, California and grew up in the diverse neighborhoods of Venice and Santa Monica. Her life adventures to date encompass an education from the Cal State system and USC, raising a son, and managing a career that included executive positions in contracts and project management in both the private and public sectors in the United States and abroad.

She's traveled extensively and gathers her memories to develop some of her fictional stories. Two of her stories in *A GATHERING OF VOICES* were inspired by the year she spent working in Tripoli, Libya for a Fortune 500 engineering firm.

Since her teens she's loved to write. One of her recent works was published in the Tiny Love Stories section of the New York Times. She is currently working on short stories and essays to submit to literary magazines and a multi-narrator novel inspired by memoir, and completely agrees with award-winning poet Gwendolyn Brooks that "Writing is delicious agony."