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To whom it may concern:

This is a letter to recommend Nan Phifer as a superb writing workshop leader. She just finished the fifth workshop she has presented at the Boulder Public Library and the number of participants who attend just keeps growing every year. We had almost 50 for the memoir workshop on writing about "Transitions." It is repeat attendees and word of mouth that I think account for the increasing attendance at the workshops but it is Nan's gentle but authoritative, and very well organized style of presentation that account for their popularity.

In prior years she has presented on the topics of "Writing Spiritual Memoirs," "Breathing Life into Your Writing," "Writing about Childhood," and "Chance and Choice in Your Life." I can recommend them all. Friends of mine who are writers by trade have found her suggestions and approach very helpful and those who come with no writing experience at all are so grateful for some guidance on how to get started.

Her books always sell well after the workshop and the library's check-out copies are almost always on reserve.

I have been a participant in a weekend retreat writing workshop with Nan and I know that she always comes well prepared but has the flexibility to be able to work with a wide range of situations and personalities. As far as my dealings with her – well, they couldn't be more pleasant. I'm sure you will enjoy working with her and will get just as many positive comments about her workshops as I do.

After this last workshop, a woman called me to see if we couldn't have Nan more often than once a year. People are always inspired to write and to connect with each other in the future to support each other in their writing. What wonderful work Nan does!

Sincerely,

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