

# Derry Playhouse Writers

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## Join Us on Wednesday Afternoons!

### ***The Wake – A Play We Helped Birth***

This past Spring, Nick Hardin brought us a play in progress to critique as it evolved from initial idea to script. The play, ***A Wake***, is one Nick urged **Derek Murphy** to write as a vehicle for him and **Joe Estevez** to perform. Interestingly, Nick is from New York City now living here; Derek is from Dublin now living in New York City. Over several months, we did script-in-hand readings of the fledgling script which was submitted to us via the internet. The Play is finished and will have its World Premiere with Derek & Joe in The Little Theatre at The Playhouse, Wednesday through Saturday, 3-6 October @ 8pm as a production of Macnaughton Productions Ltd.



### ***Mslexia Magazine Seeks Submissions***

We have received a letter from *Mslexia* seeking poetry and short story submissions from women writers for their 'New Writing' section. The deadline for their 'Gloves' theme is 14 September. They pay £50 for each poem published & £15 per 1,000 words for short stories less than 3,000 words! This is a most prestigious publication in which to become noticed as a beginning writer. For more information consult their website: [www.mslexia.co.uk](http://www.mslexia.co.uk).



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## Reminder

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## Newsletter Subscriptions

This is the time of year we ask you to contribute £10 to cover the costs of these newsletters. You may either pay with cash when you attend a meeting or send a check made out to Derry Playhouse Writers and post to us at: Orchard Street, Derry BT 48 6EG. No Euros please as our bank, Bank of Ireland, charges for converting Euros to Pounds.



## Newsletter Submissions

If you have information you wish to share please submit to my email address above or write-up, bring to a meeting, or leave in our mail slot in The Playhouse office.



## Irish Publishers

I have acquired a list of publishers in Ireland which has been sent to those of you who have email addresses. The list is several pages long so will not be included with this newsletter due to postage cost. However, I will have a copy available at our meetings which you may photocopy for a small fee in **The Source** located next to **Context Gallery** at **The Playhouse**. Once you have this in hand, start submitting a query letter with a sample your works to publishers that may be interested in your work. If you want guidance during this process please come to one of our Wednesday workshops. And please remember, if any rejection letters are received, save them, if you collect the most in a year you will win our annual **Perseverance Pays Award!**



*[Writing is] like driving a car at night.  
You never see further than your  
headlights, but you can make the  
whole trip that way*

E. L. Doctorow