

## WiS Meeting Minutes: May 6, 2023

**Meeting Place:** DAZ/Zoom

**Chair:** Jadi Campbell

**Minutes:** Barbara Gilchrist Feyl

**Members in attendance:** Erica, Irene, Andrea, Katherine, Jadi, Michael, Barbara.

### **Note for absence:**

Cihan Azak wrote to apologize for his absence this month and will return for next month's meeting.

Diane Martinez wrote Jadi to say thanks for the warm welcome and helpful feedback she received from the writers and plans on returning to the group next year.

**Prompt:** from Erica, inspired by a quote by Anais Nin:

“And the day came when the risk it took to remain tight in the bud was more painful than the risk it took to blossom.”

**Critiques:** Jadi sought suggestions on a technical issue re her story “The Taste of Your Name”.

Erica shared her on page play ‘Writers’ Block’.

### **Business:**

1. Our next reading will be at the Dreigroschentheater on October 6. More suggestions were added as possible themes along with ‘Legacy’ and ‘Harvest’. Suggestions added were, ‘Bad-Influence’, ‘Journey’, ‘The Mind field’, ‘Damage Control’. ‘Bad Influence’ was ultimately voted as the theme for our October reading.
2. There was a suggestion of including one-page plays within-in our offerings at readings. This would be an opportunity to add variety our presentation. Perhaps asking actors from NEAT or even giving writers within our group to flex their acting muscles. This will be further discussed.
3. Discussions were had re a potential member who is 15yrs old. She has decided not to join us, but a good discussion followed:
  - Permission from parents required?
  - Would this compromise the group in speaking freely re adult themes?
  - Should we consider establishing a ‘teen writers’ in Stuttgart?This topic will be further discussed, and a decision ultimately made.
4. Andrea will request from the DAZ, use of the library instead of the main room due to the echo experienced in the main room during hybrid meetings.

5. Our next meeting will be on June 17<sup>th</sup>. Chairing will be Jadi and Minutes will be taking by Andrea.
6. Meeting was adjourned at 12.47.