

## Cat Writers Association Schedules 2006 Conference

**This years meeting is scheduled for Nov. 17-19 near San Francisco.**

The international Cat Writers Association (CWA) will hold its 13th annual writers conference in Foster City, Calif., near San Francisco Nov. 17-19.

The conference, which is open to anyone interested in pet writing, will feature two days of professional seminars with nationally known speakers. Topics include contracts and copyright, book promotion, online writing, the human-animal bond, feral cat issues, and a magazine editor panel.

The conference also includes social gatherings where attendees can network with authors, editors and agents. The annual Purina CWA Awards Banquet features more than 40 MUSE Medallion and 20 corporate-funded writing awards.

CWA events are held in conjunction with the Cat Fanciers Association International Cat Show, one of the largest cat shows in the world, which is scheduled for the same dates at the nearby San Mateo Expo Center.

Full registration for the writing conference is \$100 for non-members prior to Aug. 31 and \$125 before Oct. 31. Information and registration options will be posted on the CWA website, [www.catwriters.org](http://www.catwriters.org), after May 10.

The CWA, founded in 1992, is dedicated to providing news, information and education on all aspects of cat care and welfare, as well as improving the quality of writing about cats and other companion animals. Its 200 members include published writers, photographers, illustrators, novelists, editors and broadcasters. Posted: May 5, 2006, 5:00 a.m. EST