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DURHAM, N.H. -- Beth Olshansky, creator of two programs that improve student writing through literacy, will conduct four workshops during the month of January at the University of New Hampshire. These unique art-and-literature based literacy programs have been proven by research to dramatically improve student writing and are guaranteed to entice even the most reluctant writers.

Olshansky is the program developer and director of Image-Making Within the Writing Process and Picture Writing: Fostering Literacy Through Art. Both programs are run out of the Laboratory for Interactive Thinking at UNH.

Elementary school teachers, language arts teachers, reading specialists, art specialists and special education teachers are encouraged to attend. Classroom facilitation practices, classroom management and mini-lessons will be addressed. The workshops run from 8:30 a.m to 4 p.m. The schedule is as follows:

- January 4 and 5, 2002: Picture Writing: Fostering Literacy Through Art
- January 6 and 7, 2002: Picture Writing Integrated Model
- January 11 and 12, 2002: Image-Making Within the Writing Process
- January 13 and 14, 2002: Image-Making Poetry

The cost per workshop is $250 and the registration deadline is Dec. 15. For more information or to register, call Liz Arcieri at (603) 862-3691.

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