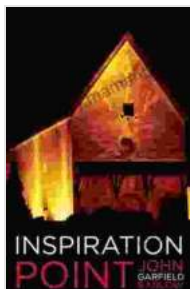


Inspiration Point: A Literary Oasis Founded by John Garfield Barlow



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Nestled amidst the rolling hills of West Virginia, Inspiration Point is a literary sanctuary established by renowned poet and environmentalist John Garfield Barlow. This enchanting haven is a place where nature's beauty intertwines with the written word, inspiring writers and artists alike.

In 1991, Barlow purchased the 1,000-acre property with the vision of creating a place where writers could find solace and inspiration. He named it "Inspiration Point" and began developing the land, planting trees, building trails, and constructing writing studios and cabins.

Barlow was a passionate advocate for the environment, and he believed that nature was essential for the creative process. He wrote: "In the natural world, we find the raw materials of our imagination. When we immerse ourselves in nature, our minds are opened to new possibilities and our creativity flows more freely."

Inspiration Point has become a haven for writers of all genres, from poets and novelists to playwrights and screenwriters. The property offers a variety of writing workshops, retreats, and residencies, giving writers the opportunity to focus on their work and connect with other creative minds.

A Literary Landscape

The landscape of Inspiration Point is as diverse as the writers who visit it. The property includes rolling hills, dense forests, sparkling streams, and panoramic views of the surrounding mountains. There are miles of trails

winding through the woods, inviting writers to explore the natural beauty that surrounds them.

The writing studios and cabins are scattered throughout the property, each offering a unique and inspiring setting. Some studios are located in secluded cabins in the woods, while others are perched on hilltops with stunning views. All of the studios are equipped with comfortable furniture, writing desks, and Wi-Fi, providing writers with everything they need to focus on their work.

A Community of Writers

Inspiration Point is more than just a place to write. It is also a community of writers who share a passion for the written word and the natural world. The property hosts a variety of events throughout the year, including readings, workshops, and retreats. These events provide writers with the opportunity to connect with other creative minds, share their work, and learn from each other.

The community of writers at Inspiration Point is a supportive and encouraging one. Writers of all levels are welcome, and everyone is treated with respect and kindness. The property provides a safe and nurturing environment where writers can feel comfortable sharing their work and taking risks.

The Legacy of John Garfield Barlow

John Garfield Barlow passed away in 2018, but his legacy lives on at Inspiration Point. The property continues to be a place where writers can find solace, inspiration, and community. Barlow's vision of creating a literary

oasis has been realized, and Inspiration Point will continue to inspire writers for generations to come.

About John Garfield Barlow

John Garfield Barlow was a poet, environmentalist, and founder of Inspiration Point. He was born in New York City in 1947 and grew up in the suburbs of Chicago. He attended the University of Iowa and the University of California, Berkeley, where he studied English and environmental science.

Barlow was a prolific writer, publishing over a dozen books of poetry, essays, and environmental writing. He was also a passionate environmentalist, and he worked tirelessly to protect the natural world. In 1991, he purchased the 1,000-acre property that he named Inspiration Point, and he spent the rest of his life developing the land and creating a literary sanctuary.

Visiting Inspiration Point

Inspiration Point is open to the public from dawn to dusk, 365 days a year. There is no admission fee, but donations are welcome. The property is located at 1370 Barlow Lane, Hillsboro, WV 24946.

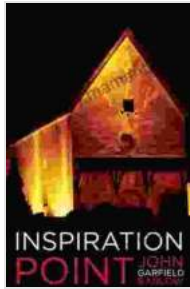
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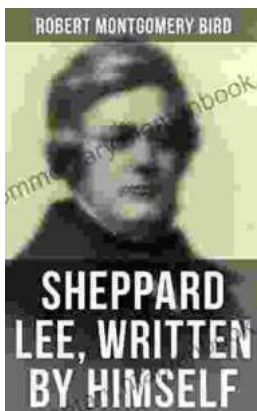
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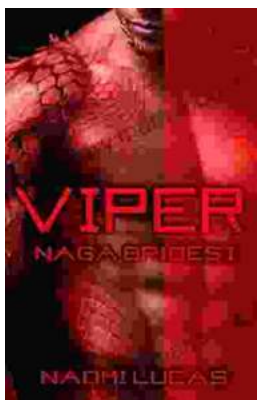
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