



## **Macondo Workshop recommendation letter request**

You have been listed as a recommender on a first-year application to the Macondo Writers' Workshop in 2010.

Macondo is an association of socially-engaged writers united to advance creativity, foster generosity, and honor community. Our annual Macondo Writers' Workshop is a unique summer gathering of writers working on geographic, cultural, economic, social and spiritual borders. Begun in 1998 by writer Sandra Cisneros and named after the town in Gabriel García Márquez's "One Hundred Years of Solitude", the week-long workshop transforms San Antonio, Texas—and more broadly, La Frontera—into a space of intense artistic and cultural creativity.

The Macondo Writers' Workshop is a master's level workshop, meaning that participants are expected to be committed and well-seasoned writers capable of reviewing each other's work with compassionate rigor and vision.

In your letter please include the following information:

1. Name of the referee
2. How do you know the applicant?
3. How long have you known the applicant?
4. How well do you know the applicant's work and writing?
5. Please describe how the applicant has demonstrated writing excellence.
6. Please describe how the applicant has demonstrated generosity of spirit and a commitment to serving community.
7. To your knowledge does this applicant have any other qualifications relevant to this application?
8. Do you have any other comments on this applicant's application to the Macondo Writing Workshop?

You can e-mail your letter to [applications@macondofoundation.org](mailto:applications@macondofoundation.org) or if you prefer, you can send in your recommendation letter by post to the address listed below. Only one method is required.

Address mail to:

ATTN: Admissions  
Macondo Foundation  
P.O. Box 831046  
San Antonio, TX 78283

**The DEADLINE FOR RECIEPT of your letter is January 29, 2010.**  
Please make sure that mailed letters are postmarked by January 20 to ensure that they arrive before the January 29 deadline.

Thank you for taking the time to help this applicant apply for the Macondo Writers Workshop 2009. To find out more about Macondo Foundation check our website [www.macondofoundation.org](http://www.macondofoundation.org). If you have any questions, please e-mail [applications@macondofoundation.org](mailto:applications@macondofoundation.org) or call (210)-534-0517.