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NWCA Honor Roll

Outstanding Service Award

- 1984 Muriel Harris
- 1987 Joyce Kinkead
- 1991 Jeanette Harris
- 1994 Lady Falls Brown

Outstanding Scholarship Awards

- 1985 Stephen North, "The Idea of a Writing Center"
 Thomas J. Reigstad and Donald A. McAndrew, *Training Tutors for Writing Conferences*
- 1987 Edward Lotto, "The Writer's Subject is Sometimes a Fiction" Irene Lurkis Clark, *Teaching in a Writing Center Setting*
- 1988 John Trimbur, "Peer Tutoring: A Contradiction in Terms?" Muriel Harris, *Teaching One-to-One*
- 1989 Jeanette Harris and Joyce Kinkead, *The Writing Center Journal:* "Computers, Computers, Computers"
- 1990 Richard Behm, "Ethical Issues in Peer Tutoring" Lisa Ede, "Writing as a Social Process" Pamela B. Farrell, *The High School Writing Center*
- Lex Runciman, "Defining Ourselves: Do We Really Want to Use the Word "Tutor"?"
 Ray Wallace and Jeanne Simpson, eds., The Writing Center: New Directions
- 1992 Alice Gillam, "Writing Center Ecology: A Bakhtinian Perspective"
 Muriel Harris, "Solutions and Trade-offs in Writing Center Administration"
- Anne DiPardo, "'Whispers of Coming and Going': Lessons from Fannie"
 Meg Woolbright, "The Politics of Tutoring: Feminism Within the Patriarchy"
- 1994 Michael Pemberton, Ethics Column in Writing Lab Newsletter

- 1995 Christina Murphy, "The Writing Center and Social Constructionist Theory"
 Ray Wallace and Joan Mullin, eds., Intersections: Theory-Practice in the Writing Center
- 1996 Peter Carino, "Theorizing the Writing Center: An Uneasy Task"
 Christina Murphy and Joe Law, eds., Landmark Essays on Writing
 Centers

Graduate Student Research Awards

- 1986 Evelyn J. Posey, "Microcomputers, Basic Writing, and the Writing Center"
- 1987 Mary Kilmer, "Writing Centers and Content-Area Courses"
- 1989 James Bell, "Perceptions and Behaviors of Writing Center Tutors"
- 1991 Eric Hobson, "Centering Composition Instruction: The Roles of Writing Centers in Composition Programs"
- Deborah D'Agati, "Writing Center Tutor Training and Classroom Response Groups"
 Neal Lerner, "Teaching and Learning in a University Writing Center: An Ethnographic Study"
- 1996 Stuart Blythe, "Conceptualizing the Technologies of Writing Center Practice"

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National Writing Centers Association Membership Form

The Assembly:

The National Writing Centers Association, an NCTE Assembly, was founded in 1983 to foster communication among writing centers and to provide a forum for concerns. Comprising directors and staffs of writing centers at universities, two-year colleges, and public schools, the NWCA is governed by an Executive Board that includes representatives from the regional writing center organizations.

Publications:

The Assembly sponsors two publications. The Writing Lab Newsletter, edited by Muriel Harris at Purdue, provides a monthly forum for writing center concerns during the academic year. The Writing Center Journal, edited by Dave Healy of the University of Minnesota, offers in its two issues per year longer articles on writing center theory and research.

Awards:

NWCA offers the following awards: (1) an award to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to writing centers, and (2) awards to recognize outstanding publications on writing centers. In addition, small grants are available to graduate students whose research focuses on writing centers. NWCA also supports regional association conferences with speaker grants.

Meeting:

The NWCA meets twice a year, once during NCTE and once during CCCC, plus during NWCA in alternate years. At the November convention, NWCA sponsors a day-long workshop; at CCCC in March, the assembly sponsors a special interest session, along with an exchange of writing center materials. The Executive Board meetings at these conferences are open to the membership.

Preferred Mailing Address:				
NWCA Membership	\$10	\$10	\$10	
Writing Center Journal	\$10	\$ 15	\$15	
Writing Lab Newsletter	\$15	\$20	\$40	
Membership + WCJ	\$20	\$25	\$25	
Membership + WCI + WLN	\$35	\$45	\$65	

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