

## Writing From The Five Elements-

## Wood, Fire, Earth, Metal, Water

## A one-day workshop of creative writing

In Chinese philosophy, the world and all that's in it - nature, objects, our senses, our preoccupations - belong to 5 distinct Phases or Elements. Writers have always been attracted to the natural world. In this workshop, we will draw on the 5 Elements and their many associations to begin 5 new pieces of writing. You will be led into writing by the use of visual prompts, evocative materials, examples of poetry & prose by established writers.

When? Sunday 29th July 2012, from 10 a.m. To 4.30 p.m.

Where? Pakenham road, Monkstown, 5 minutes' walk from Salthill/Monkstown DART station

Cost: €50 (2 concession places available at €35)

Course Leader: Shirley McClure

Suitable for beginners & people who have been writing for a while. Group limited to 12 participants.

Tea/ coffee provided. Excellent cafés nearby for lunch.

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Winner of Cork Literary Review's Manuscript Competition 2009, runner-up in the Patrick Kavanagh Poetry Award 2009 and shortlisted for the Strokestown International Poetry Competition 2012, Shirley McClure's début collection, Who's Counting? (Bradshaw Books) was published in 2010. Shirley has been working in adult education for almost thirty years, and runs a number of creative writing classes.