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Wasted opportunities are everywhere

I was admiring the workmanship of the mudbrick wall built outside Schooner's Café on Waiheke Island. Beautiful. There was even a plaque-brick, boldly placed where it could be seen by passers-by. 'Mudbrick Wall Built 2001'.

Hey, what was missing? The name and telephone number of the craftsman!

This is no time to be coy about telling people you produce good work. How else will they find out who built the wall?

I tell every photographer who signs his/her work to put a mobile telephone number alongside the signature, discreetly. Even if the interested person needs a magnifying glass, let them know the name of the craftsman. If you want more work, that is. It's over to you.

"I haven't got a gallery to display my photos."

Ahhh, but you have. It just doesn't LOOK like a photo gallery. Right now it looks like the blank wall in the local hairdressing salon. Or the blank wall in most cafes. Or the blank wall at the local RSA.

If you ask the owners of a few blank walls you'll normally get one positive response. OK, one positive response in ten was the same ratio JC got when He fixed the ten lepers.

Brian Morris, Principal

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Julia Martin has a big objective

Julia Martin lives in Cambridge. She has provided farm stay accommodation for 16 years. "Mostly we get people from all over the world and they provide me with an endless array of ideas for stories.

"I used a few of them when I was writing short stories for my ***Writing Stories For Children*** course.

"I'd already studied journalism ten years ago, but now I enjoy writing fiction as well.

"I was impressed with the WSC course content and the quality of feedback from my tutor, Janice Marriott. While the course is expensive I believe it is value for money and I would recommend it to anyone who wants to improve their writing skills.

Julia's objective is to compile some family history stories for her 9 grandchildren.

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Thriller author speaks, Botany Library

Greg Hurwitz will speak about how he writes thrillers and screenplays. Botany Library, Auckland, 2.30-3.30pm, Monday 7 September. RSVP botany**.**library@manukau.govt.nz

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Government cuts night class funds

We don't teach Mandarin or weaving but we teach ten different useful courses, eg: Sports Journalism. Proofreading & Editing. Non-Fiction writing. Creative Story Writing for adults and children's stories. Business Communication. How to write business proposals, tenders, submissions, manuals, instruction books etc. All are distance learning, study-at-home courses.

If you know people who want to learn **digital photography** (simple or advanced levels) please direct them to our website: www.nzibs.co.nz Thank you. Telephone 0800-801994.

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Chat To Your Tutor Days - August

This is your opportunity to speak to your personal tutor. The toll-free number 0508 428 983 operates only at the times listed below. Mark your calendar now.
These opportunities are still available.

Michael Morrissey	Friday 21st August	10am – 2pm.
Janice Marriott	Monday 24th August	9am – 4pm.
Joan Rosier-Jones	Tuesday 25th August	8.30am – 5.30pm.

Call early in the day to avoid the rush at the end.
All tutors will be ready for your call again in October.

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New courses planned for 2009

We are busy preparing these new courses:

♦Romance Writing. ♦Fantasy Writing. ♦Life Coaching.
♦Short Story Writing. ♦Poetry. ♦Science Fiction.
♦Mystery / Murder / Crime / Suspense / Thriller stories.

If you have an interest in these extension courses, please email your interest to: **registrar@nzibs.co.nz**

Information will then be sent automatically when the one you want is available, with start dates and course fees etc. But that information is not ready yet.

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'Say it in six words' competition is on the Student Discussion Forum. What title would you give a new newsletter for the official **Shadows Fan Club**?
(Their concert tour with Sir Cliff Richard reaches NZ in February 2010.)