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**Author Ellen Sussman will discuss**  
**Finding Truth in Writing: Fiction or Non-Fiction**  
**at the Berkeley Public Library**

On **Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.** author **Ellen Sussman** will speak in the **Community Meeting Room** on the third floor of **Berkeley's Central Library at 2090 Kittredge Street (at Shattuck Avenue)**. Join us for an afternoon with Ms. Sussman as she reads from several of her works, talks about her experience and discusses the choices she makes when exploring ideas in her novels and essays.

A Bay Area transplant with roots in New Jersey, Sussman has received recognition for her contributions to literature from organizations and institutions across the country. She currently teaches in private classes and at UC Berkeley Extension and lectures regularly on the creative practice and writing at conferences and seminars. She is the author of *On a Night Like This* (2004), *Bad Girls: 26 Writers Misbehave* and *Dirty Words: A Literary Encyclopedia of Sex* (to be published later this year).

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