

The Nacogdoches Alumni Association is proud to honor Tim Bryant as our Distinguished Alumnus of 2026.



Tim Bryant is the author of more than twenty books spanning literary fiction, mystery, memoir, and writing instruction. His work is known for its blend of humor, compassion, and an abiding interest in memory, place, and the ordinary moments that shape extraordinary lives.

In addition to his writing, Tim serves as a substitute teacher with Nacogdoches ISD, where he enjoys encouraging students to discover the power of stories, curiosity, and creativity. He also teaches creative writing classes through Whole Again Counseling + Wellness in Nacogdoches, helping writers of all experience levels develop their craft and find confidence in their own voices.

A lifelong musician and songwriter, Tim has written, recorded, and performed with musicians from New Orleans to Ireland, bringing the same storytelling spirit to music that defines his books. Whether on the page, in the classroom, or on stage, he is passionate about creating work that is thoughtful, engaging, and deeply human.

Tim has two children, Quinn and Jackson, and lives in East Texas with his partner, Annie. He continues to write, teach, perform, and encourage others to tell the stories only they can tell.

Tim graduated from NHS in 1982. He was a journalism student and was the Sports Editor of the Dragon Echo in his senior year. He credits journalism teachers Katina Van Cronkite and Elaine Sellers with getting him started in his writing life. Those two and Dalene Greening, his English teacher, were his favorite teachers.