The Downtown Writers Center's Young Authors Academy

A creative writing program for 6th - 12th graders featuring:

Fiction
Poetry
Digital Storytelling

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THE YOUNG AUTHORS ACADEMY

WINTER 2020
CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOPS
For Students: Grades 6–12
SATURDAYS | 10 WEEKS
JANUARY 18 – MARCH 21
12 P.M. – 2 P.M.

FICTION, POETRY, & DIGITAL STORYTELLING

DOWNTOWN YMCA
340 MONTGOMERY ST., SYRACUSE, NY 13202
The Young Authors Academy is free to students in the Syracuse City School District and YMCA family members (some restrictions do apply); all others $110 for the 10-week session (needs-based financial assistance may also be available). Registration is required by Wed., January 15, 2020, to reserve space.

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Name_____________________________________________________
DOB________ Gender __________
Address_____________________________________________________
City____________ State ____ Zip _______
School ____________________________
District_________________________ Grade _________

**PARENT INFORMATION**

Name ________________________________________________
Address ________________________________________________
City____________ State ____ Zip _______
Email _________________________________________________
Phone/Home ___________________ Cell ________________
Emergency Contact __________________________

My child may ____ / may not ____ be photographed for promotional and/or archival use by the YMCA of Central New York. Parent Signature below:
_________________________________________________________________

**COURSE SELECTION** (Please check one)

NOTE: Students may try different genres from session to session but are asked to choose one focus per session.

Saturdays | 10 Weeks | 12 P.M. - 2 P.M. (Please select one for the session)

Middle School Fiction (6th - 8th) __________
High School Fiction (9th - 12th) __________
Poetry (all grades) __________
Digital Storytelling (all grades) __________

**REGISTRATION FEES** (CHECK ONE)

SCSD Student: No Fee ________
YMCA Member: No Fee ________

No fee for one family member currently taking DWC courses. Each Y family membership is entitled to one free course per session.

YMCA Employee Family Member: $88 ________

Fee for employee family members: based on 20% discount.

Non-Member: $110 ________

**About the YAA**

The YAA is for students grades 6-12 with a passion for creative writing & related arts. Small group instruction in the literary arts is provided weekly by professional writers who are also experienced in teaching middle and high school students.

YAA students experience a safe, accepting & positive learning environment where they grow both artistically and personally, developing their talents and collaborating with peers who share their interest in the creative arts.

The program has been generously funded to include Y members and students in the Syracuse City School District at no cost (some restrictions do apply). The Downtown Writers Center, a program of the Arts Branch of the YMCA, strives to keep the cost for all others affordable. Need-based financial aid is available.

All classes meet at the Downtown Y (340 Montgomery Street, Syracuse, NY). There is seating in the DWC Library for parents who would like to wait. Transportation is not provided, but the Y is located close to the Centro City Hub.

Students receiving scholarships through the SCSD or Y membership are required to attend regularly. Poor attendance may result in removal from the program and inability to register for future YAA programming.

Y members can register online: ymcacny.org.

All Checks Payable to YMCA.

Credit card payments are accepted with phone registrations. Please call Georgia Popoff at 315.474.6851 x380. to pay by credit/debit card.